Hello and welcome back to term 4! This term we welcome Mrs Amy McGarvie who will be teaching our year 3/4 class whilst Mrs Andrews is on maternity leave. I’m sure you all join me in welcoming her to our school community. Also this term we have Mr Brendan Phillipson on our staff completing his final teaching practicum as a Southern Cross University student. Mr Phillipson will be working in our K/1/2 class under the guidance of Miss Parnell.

**Hats, water and sunscreen**

With the weather warming up it is timely to remind everyone that all children need to wear a hat to school in order to play in the playground at recess and lunch time. Each child needs to bring a water bottle which they can sip from in class as long as it only has water in it. We have sunscreen available for children at school.

**P&C raffle**

Tickets are steadily being sold in our P&C major fundraiser where a Suzuki JR 80 is the major prize. Tickets are for sale at the front office for $5 each. Books of tickets are available should you wish to take a book to sell to family and friends – just see Rhonda in the office.

**Zooper Dooper sales**

Zooper Doopers (ice blocks) will be sold at the school canteen on Fridays at lunchtime for 50 cents each. Limit of 1 per child.

**After school kayaking**

I’d like to offer the kids a chance to go kayaking (under my supervision) after school next Thursday. Should there be enough interest I will try and organise a few more afternoons before the end of the year. As we have 14 kayaks the size of the group is limited to that number. If you would like your child to participate next Thursday, give me a call and I can add them to the list. First 14 names will go kayaking next Thursday, after that we may need to make a roster. Any kids participating will need to walk down to the river after school and then be picked up from the river at 5:00pm. They will need to bring a change of clothes including water shoes or old sneakers that can get wet.

Cheers,
Andrew