**Principal’s Report**

**Kidsmatter training.**
Last Tuesday Mrs Andrews, Kellie Beneke and myself attended the first of our Kidsmatter team training days in Ballina. This day focused on strategies to build and maintain a positive school community. By developing positive relationships within our school community, we support the development of ‘mentally healthy’ children. Before the end of term we are looking at presenting information regarding Kidsmatter and developing a positive school community to staff and interested parents. Look out for details of this.

**Staff training.**
Tomorrow and Thursday all staff will be attending the second phase of our ‘Positive Partnerships’ training specifically aimed at building knowledge around working with children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). What we are finding is that many of the adjustments made for students with ASD, in terms of the learning environment and curriculum, are also beneficial for students without a diagnosis of ASD but who just learn differently.

**NAPLAN**
Students in years 3 and 5 will sit the NAPLAN Literacy and Numeracy tests next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. NAPLAN is a nationwide test that assesses students’ basic skills in comparison with students their age around the country. As with any task we ask the children to do at school, it is important they do their best – but it is not something to stress over. The best preparation has already occurred in the classroom and this can be best supported at home by ensuring your child goes to bed at a reasonable hour each night and has a good breakfast each morning. NAPLAN results are usually sent home late in term 3.

**Mothers’ day stall**
Thank you to Kellie and Paula for running our stall today. Don’t forget to send in any money by Thursday to settle up ‘lay-bys’. I hope all the mothers have a great day on Sunday and are suitably spoiled!

Cheers
Andrew

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**Assembly Award Winners**
K/1/2 : Jenna MacKeen, Emily Ferguson and Jeffrey Ferguson.
5/6 : Campbell Knight and Kara McDonald.

Principal’s Award : Zayne Weinert.

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**P&C meeting next Tuesday, May 12th.**
The Annual General Meeting for our school P&C is to be held next Tuesday in the staff room starting at 6:00pm. Everyone is welcome and we will need people to take positions on our committee. Our P&C is vital in raising funds to support all children in our school. Come along and find out what’s happening at and how you can help at your child’s school.

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**Canteen next week:**
Rick and Liz Heilers