Principal’s Report

I would like to extend a huge thank you to all community members who were able to assist the P&C in their major fundraiser for 2013 at the Maules Creek campdraft. It was a highly successful fundraiser and a great weekend. Thank you to everyone who was able to help from supplying baked goods to sell, organising suppliers and donations, collecting and delivering goods as well as preparing and cooking food and serving on the day. The fundraiser would not have been successful without each and every person’s help and assistance, thank you.

The installation of the Solar Panels was completed last week. Thank you to Mrs Hancock and Mrs Shields for organizing this with Solgen Energy through the SOLAR for Schools government grant. This installation will significantly benefit our school in the reduction of energy bills as well as allow us to monitor our energy usage across the school.

Congratulations and good luck to Jed Brennan who took part in the Manilla Horse Sports Day last week and today is competing at the Curlewis horse sports day. Jed competed in Manilla with great pride and is a fantastic representative for our school. He competed in most events on the day, including having a go at events he had not experienced before, his participation and persistence saw him come in second place in the point score for the day, well done Jed! We hope to have more great results to report after today’s competition at Curlewis.

Next Wednesday will be our last Active After School Cricket session, we would all like to thank Jake Paker for sharing his passion for cricket with us and teaching us some fun and engaging cricket skills. Afternoon tea next week will be provided by Karen Brennan.

As of next term we will be wearing our winter uniforms. Boys will wear grey long sleeve shirt, grey long pants, grey socks and black shoes. Girls will wear green checked pinafore over a white long sleeve shirt, green stockings and black shoes. All students will wear a green jumper or sloppy-joe. Please contact Renee Murphy if you would like further information about the winter uniform.

Woolworths are again running their Earn and Learn program this year. As the program was a success for Fairfax last year we have again registered. As of Monday 8th April we are all able to begin shopping and collecting Earn and Learn points (stickers) to be placed on a collection sheet and returned to school or placed in the Fairfax Public School collection box at the Woolworths store in Narrabri. Don’t forget these points/stickers can be collected at any Woolworths store. Please let us know if you need further collection sheets for yourself or family and friends.

Daylight savings in NSW ends this weekend on Sunday 6th April at 3 am. Don’t forget to put your clocks forward one hour.

Next Friday we will be holding an end of term assembly in the Library to share with our community the happenings of Term 1 here at Fairfax.

Have a great week, Rebecca Smith
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In the Classroom

As this term is fast coming to a close we are all very busy preparing for the upcoming community events. We have been practising our poetry readings for the Narrabri Eisteddfod, ensuring we are well prepared for early next term. We are also completing art works along with careful and beautiful handwriting samples to submit into the 2013 Narrabri Show. Thank you to everyone who was available to attend our Easter hat parade last Thursday. The students worked hard on designing and creating their Easter hats, it was a great opportunity to share with our community some of the things we have been doing in the classroom.

Easter Treats

Mrs Greenaway came in last week to help us make special treats for Easter. We made delicious White Chocolate Rocky Road slice and Yummy chocolate truffle balls. Thanks Mrs Greenaway! For some holiday fun, try making these easy and delicious treats at home.
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