Dear Parents, Carers, Students & Community Members,

Welcome to week 8 and Swimming School for Year 4/5/6, perfect weather for swimming!

Tomorrow (Tuesday 25th November) the Northern Star will publish our Tabulam newspaper page entry, don’t forget to buy a copy and see the great writing skills of our 4/5/6 class. Thanks to Mrs James for helping with the articles.

Our Assembly will be presented by K/1 on Tuesday, come along and support your children and encourage their efforts. Everyone is welcome.

K/1 are heading off on their excursion to Macadamia Castle this Thursday and will be having an exciting sleep over at school followed by water activities and more fun on Friday.

The Aboriginal Children’s Advancement Society (ACAS) have been very generous to us over the last couple of years providing Tabulam students with 19 ipads, a video camera and a multiple response system. These items were all support for the Aboriginal Progressive Interactive Learning Activity Project (APILA).

ACAS has asked us to evaluate their support for our school. Staff, students and parents are asked to complete surveys to assist in this. Please fill out the attached survey and return to school this week. Thank you.

We received a letter of thanks from Professor Morrison, Mrs Bailey’s doctor, for the funds we raised to support cancer research. He was very grateful to our community for such a generous donation. The letter is attached. Thank you to all who supported our fund raising event last term.

Our students show a great deal of pride in their school; wearing school uniform contributes to this sense of pride and belonging. Whilst most families ensure their children attend school dressed in the required uniform there are a few students who are regularly out of uniform. This is understandable occasionally but school uniform should be worn as often as possible. Shoes are a requirement at school in the interest of Health and Safety. Thank you for your support.

As part of our Books in Homes Program a student from each class receives a ‘Caught being Good’ award every Monday. This week’s recipients are: K/1 Annabelle Johnson- Brady; Year 2/3; Kendita Avery and Year 4/5/6; Jacinta.

Our school presents Dojo points for students who show they have a great work ethic and follow school rules. The majority of Tabulam School students always follow our school rules: Always Be Safe, Always Be
Responsible, Always Respect the Rights of Others and our school motto; STAND TALL- RESPECT ALL.

Students on GOLD level are:


**Year 1** – Charlie Avery, Keeley Bell, Donald Simon.

**Year 2** – Anne-Maree Avery, Albert Avery, Oscar Martin, Dellmay Simon, Anastasia Zervos.

**Year 3** – Amber Avery, Kendita Avery-Robinson, Antwone McIntosh, Bing Williams.

**Year 4** – Abby Martin, Haylee White, Aaliyah Hickling-Torrens, Montique Avery, Harrison Hone, Bradley Avery, Jacinta Hill, Nickali Waldon-Whittaker, Hannah Maag.

**Year 5** – Michael Zervos, Matthew Avery, Azrianna Holt, Keanu Buchanan, Mikaela Hickling-Mundine, Byron McAnulty, Louise Flockhart-Smith.

**Year 6** – Maria Hickling, Crystal Ross, Hayley Phillips, Lachlan Walker, Madison Avery, Noah Maag.

**Well done** to all of these students, keep up the great work.

**Library News** - There will be **no more borrowing** from the Library this term as the Library is being cleaned and organised for a stocktake. Could you please check at home, in bags etc, for any Library books and **return them to school** as soon as possible.

Please find enclosed some **Raffle Tickets** for the **BMX Bike** which will be drawn at our Annual Presentation Day. Please return all tickets and money to the office by next Friday 5th December.

Have a great week,

Lesley Mills,
Principal

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Christmas Tree/Dance & Carols Night

I would like my child .........................

Who is enrolled at Tabulam School
To receive a gift from Santa.

Signed: ........................................
       Parent/Carer $..................

I would also like my child ..................

Who is enrolled at Tabulam Pre-School.

Signed: ........................................
       Parent/Carer $ ............
STG MRN:  9607770
DLM:

13 November 2014
Ref: 2014

Mrs Lesley Mills
Principal
Tabulam Public School
Clarence Street
TABULAM. NSW 2469

Dear Mrs Mills

I would like to send to you, your wonderful students, your staff and the community, my heartfelt thanks for your donation to our Research Fund.

I understand we share one of your delightful teachers, Mrs Marnie Bailey.

Cancer is a real problem and it is a problem where our current treatments are often not completely successful. The only way to make this better is research. Your support will help with this.

Once again thank you for your help.

Yours sincerely,

David L MORRIS
Professor of Surgery
ACAS
( Aboriginal Children’s Advancement Society)

APIILA (Aboriginal Progressive Interactive Learning Activity) Project

Evaluation questionnaire for Parents.

Thank you for taking the time to fill in this questionnaire. It will assist us in best meeting your future needs.

Q1. Are you aware of the existence of ACAS and the work we do?
   □ All of us are aware.
   □ Most of us are aware.
   □ Some of us are aware.
   □ A few of us are aware.
   □ None of us are aware.

Q2. What technological equipment are you aware of that has been provided to your school by ACAS under the APIILA program?

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Q3. Are you in favour of the APIILA program?
   □ yes □ no

Q4. Have there been any changes/improvements in your child’s / children’s learning and engagement with learning due to the equipment provided under this program?
   □ yes □ no

Please provide reasons for your response:

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Q5. As a parent, has the equipment changed/improved the way you have engaged with your child in the learning process?

☐ yes  ☐ no

Please provide reasons for your response:

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Q6. How could ACAS continue to support the APILA program to best advantage?

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Q7. Please provide us with any other information relating to the APILA program that you feel we should know about:

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Q8. Are you aware of the existence of the Kirinari Hostels in Sydney and Newcastle?

☐ yes  ☐ no

Would you like us to send you information about the services these hostels provide?

☐ yes  ☐ no

If yes, please provide a postal address:

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THANK YOU!