We had a lovely visit from Mr Glenn Pleasance on Thursday. All the children and staff worked very hard to ensure the school was looking its best. He was very impressed when he toured the classrooms to see the extension tasks that the students were doing. We discussed the strategic directions of the school and he gave me valuable advice as to support that we could access within the Department and the community.

“Say No to Bullying” Art Competition
Mrs Trudgett assisted the students to enter a state wide art competition that is being conducted by Interelate. Taryn in Year 3 was selected as a “Highly Commended” and she is off to the Power House Museum in Sydney next Friday to meet the State Governor General. Congratulations Taryn and we wish you all the best for a great trip and well done for being so creative. Thankyou Mrs Trudgett for organising the students and making the dash to the post office to get the entries off to Sydney in time. Sara has put some information about this really exciting opportunity for Taryn on the website.

Assembly
Congratulations to the following students who received awards at Fridays Assembly:

- Bree for successfully completing the Reading Tutor 100 sight words.
- Tiahn for fabulous reading at Level 2.
- Wren for perfect spelling results.

Student Announcements Levi asked all students to help keep our grounds clean and tidy.

Photography
Jules will be in on Thursday 19th March to assist the students with their photographic entires for the show.
**Tee Pee**

On Friday morning all the students worked together to put up the Tee Pee. It is a great little space for the younger students to hang out in to either read or listen to stories. I have set the CD player up next to it so the children can use the headphones and listen to stories. As part of the L3 Program (Language, Literacy and Learning) students need to hear at least 3 Fiction, 3 Non Fiction and 3 poems including nursery rhymes each week. This exposure to oral language is vital for their vocabulary development.

**Websites**

All the children have access to reading eggs, study ladder and sqwirk at school and home (if you have the internet). These excellent educational sites support your child’s learning. I would also like to recommend story line on line which is a great web site where the children can listen to stories.

App of the Week for children - Spelling ABC+

App of the Week for adults - AgWorld - check this app out as it is not only the future of farming but it is what farmers are using right now.

On Friday Jane ordered 2 new laptops for the school so we can expect to see them arrive before the end of term 1.
Easter Activities
Lauren, Amelia, Mr Simpson and I have planned the Easter Activities and attached to the newsletter is the program. We would love to see families join us on that day for lots of fun and a look at what the children are doing in the classroom. The day will start at 12.00 and end at 3.00 and included will be a Healthy BBQ lunch. Please see the attached poster for the afternoons program.

Bloomfield Family new Baby
Congratulations to the Bloomfield family on the safe arrival of a baby girl on Thursday. That makes number 6. This is a very special time for the family and of course Amali and Tiahn are very excited about meeting their new little sister.

Fruity Fun and Super Smoothies
Anna and Bree are working together to make a great team to ensure the children are enjoying lots of healthy treats. Anna and Bree are so good at not only preparing, but also washing up and cleaning the kitchen. Thank you to the Barnett family for the delicious watermelons. We are just loving having beautiful fruit on these hot days.

Pineapple Craft
As part of our health lessons the younger students made a pineapple and created a cinquain poem.

Pineapple
Sweet juicy
Stuciky on my chin
Yummy in fruit salad
Delicious
Regards  
Sarah Landers  
Relieving Principal  

P & C News  
Hi Everyone,  
This is just a reminder that we need Easter donations for the Easter Raffle that will be drawn on Wednesday, April 2nd. You can send them in with your child on the bus, or drop them in on your way past. Some ideas:  
- Easter Eggs/other treats  
- Egg cups  
- Craft  
- Soft toys  
- Another awesome idea you might have!  

Also, don’t forget that the P&C will be holding Café Medlow on Saturday 28th March, which is election day. If you can lend a hand on that day, that would be wonderful, otherwise be sure to come down for a chat.  
Enjoy your week,  
Sara Foley  
(P&C Secretary)  

Community News  
Nambucca Valley Basketball Club- Registration, training and informal games each Monday, 4pm - 5.30pm, at the Macksville Indoor Stadium. Registration is $20 for the year, with a $5 weekly game fee. Parents or guardians are required to sign rego form. Decent footwear and water bottles are essential. New players and parent helpers are always welcome. Ph. Michelle 0428 452 277 (evenings), or just turn up.