This morning years 3 and 4 received a very informative lesson about preparing for emergencies such as floods. Red Cross volunteers Valerie Hussain, Kieran McAndrew and Libby Cotter spoke to the children about the four steps to prepare and gave them information books for themselves and their families. The children even got to decorate a pillowcase in which to put their gear if there is an emergency. It is a wonderful opportunity to talk to your children about what you would do as a family in an emergency. Known as the Pillowcase Project, we were lucky to be a trial school.

Jenni McKeon

The Easter raffle will also be drawn at this assembly. There will be an Easter hat parade, with students modelling head fashion created at school.

To make the day even more fun, we are having a mufti day with a gold coin donation to go to the Children’s Hospital at Westmead.

Don’t forget your sunny-safe gear and as it is our Cross Country all children must wear running shoes and a hat.

All parents are welcome to come and support their child/ren at this fun event.
SAMBA DRUMS
This Thursday 19th March all the children will have the experience of being part of a fantastic drumming workshop. Tom will be at the school from 1.30pm to work his magic to have us all playing drums and other percussion instruments together to create beautiful music. This workshop is for children in all classes at a cost of $5.00 per child. Please fill in the permission note attached and return to school before Thursday 19th March.

BASKETBALL GALA DAYS
On Monday 23rd March all children in Yr3/4 will travel to the Raymond Laurie Sports Centre in Yamba to compete in an interschool basketball competition and workshop. Children in Yr5/6 will have their chance to compete on Monday 30th March. All children have received a permission note for this sporting activity and the cost is $5.00 per child.

STUDENT BANKING
Student Banking is held at the school each Friday.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Congratulations to the following students who received certificates today. Blaine Wilson - being a helpful class member; Jakob Jackson - being an independent well organised worker; Arlo Mastin - great expressive reading; Cody Hamel - working well in Art; Jackson Moss - great attitude towards his work; Linken Coram - being friendly and helpful to others and Jordan Ford - improved work ethic. Well done!

2015 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS and ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)
ICAS tests will take place during terms 2 and 3. Entries and payment are to be at the school office by Tuesday 31st March 2015. For more information about ICAS go to www.eaa.unsw.edu.au

CANTEEN NEWS
On the menu this week we have Fried Rice with Spring Rolls - $3.00 and Milo - .50c. An order form for next week is on the newsletter. Don’t forget we have lots of delicious healthy treats for recess from .50c to $1.50. We look forward to your continued support.

P&C RAFFLES AT THE HARWOOD HOTEL
The P & C will be holding raffles at the Harwood Hotel on Friday nights to raise money for our school. Put the following Friday nights on your calendar
• 3rd April
• 1st May
• 29th May.
Please contact Bec Anderson if you can help out on either of these nights. Your support is greatly appreciated.

EASTER RAFFLE
Thank you to all the families who have brought in items for our Easter Raffle and have already sold their tickets. We have four prizes on display in the school foyer. The raffle will be drawn at the school cross country to be held on Tuesday 31st March. Your assistance with this fundraiser is greatly appreciated.

LUNCH ORDER - WEEK 8 Thursday 26/3/15

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