In what was a very memorable assembly today lead by Jason Sines & Tarni Jarrett we, as a school community, acknowledged Sorry Day. Daniel Kapeen performed the acknowledgement to Country while the National Anthem was performed by Lauren Baldrey and Keanie Milner. Daniel Kapeen played the didgeridoo for the Ballina High School Aboriginal Dancers who took to the stage professionally performing three traditional dances. The Reconciliation dancers lead by very talented Cheroki Waters performed a most entertaining dance. Continued on page 4
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Trek Quest Outback 4x4 Jurassic Adventure, Walk with the Dinosaurs – Lismore to Graman via Condamine, Charleville, Muttaburra, Winton, Jundah, Advancetown and Bollon. 24 September to 1 October, 2011. Fees $200 Deposit paid with entry plus $1000 paid by 17/9/11. Call Peter on (02) 6663 1442 or A/H 6663 1538, 0418 666 937, Fax (02) 6663 1528, www.trekquest.org.au.

Pathways to Manhood – For boys aged 13-15 and their fathers (or a male mentor). Pathways to Manhood is a contemporary, community based Rite of Passage for boys aged 13-15 and takes the form of a six day bush camp. A Rite of Passage is an event that facilitates the fundamental shift from boy psychology into healthy man psychology. Growing old is inevitable, growing up is optional. The Pathways Foundation is a non-profit organisation with over 15 years experience offering camps that are dedicated to assisting young people make the important emotional shift from being a child to young adult. Our programs aim to develop healthy individual and family relationships. For more info visit: www.pathwaysfoundation.org.au. Date: 18-23 July, 2011. near Mullumbimby, for bookings call 1300 850 766 or for more information contact Anthony Brown on 0416 130 399

Connect to your Child’s Future — Free Parent Information Evening for parents of students from years 9 to 12. Ballina RSL 4.30-7pm Thursday 16th June 2011. Become better informed about education, training and future employment options for your child. Wide range of expert information stalls and selected guest speakers. Pop in for a short visit or stay for the evening. Put in your diary and watch out for the flyer coming soon.

Bonfire Night — Rous Public School P&C Association is having a Bonfire Night on August 6 from 5.00-8.30pm. Admission $2 each or $7 for a family, Entertainment: Fireworks, Merry Go Round, Jumping Castle, Ferris Wheel, Chocolate Wheel, Live Performances, Ducks, Clowns, Laser Skirmish, Slot Car Racing, Show Bags/Kids Stall, Plant Stall. Food: Cafe De Rous, Krispy Kreme Donuts, Popcorn, Fairy Floss, Donuts, BBQ, Hot Potatoes, Hot Dogs, Popcorn, Fairy Floss, Donuts, BBQ, Hot Chips. Follow the signs from Alstonville along Wardell Road, turn right at Rous Road. The school is approximately 3km along Rous Road. Parking available in the school grounds and surrounds.

BBELS Winter Cultural Exchange — Byron Bay English Language School (BBELS) is seeking local families to host our young International students for 4 weeks in July/August. This is a fun opportunity for the whole family to live and learn another culture and share our way of life. Suitable families will be asked to provide food, accommodation (own room) and a safe home environment for our students who will range in age from 15-18 years. You will be paid a weekly rate which you may donate to the school for future cross cultural programs, or use to cover costs. For more information, please contact Kerry on homestay@bbels.com.au or phone 6680 8253.

Are you available for 3 hours on Tuesday & Wednesday mornings, this is the time that the Canteen needs most critical help at present, however, any assistance that can be offered at anytime will be very much appreciated.

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Thank you
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Commonwealth Respite & Carelink Centre
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MOVIE PASS GIVE AWAY

Question: What does a lepidopterist Collect?

Have your answer in by Wednesday, Day 3, Week A, Recess.

Place your answers in the box on the Receptionist Desk at the Front Office.

Last weeks winner was Thomas Stores Yr 8 with the answer “Radiation”.

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Next P&C Meeting
Monday 20 June 2011 – 7.00pm
Every parent is warmly invited to attend
**FANTASTIC FOOTY TEAMS**
The Junior and Senior Rugby League teams both had terrific games recently. All boys played with good sportsmanship and the scores were very close. Well done. *Mr Andrew Playford*

**JUNIOR SOCCER TEAMS**
Both the boys and girls under 15 football teams were knocked out of the Turner Cup/Trophy by strong Xavier College teams last week. Both teams played well but they now look forward to 2012. *Mr Andrew Playford*

**LEO CHANGEOVER SUCCESS**
A successful changeover of the LEO board was conducted in the library last week. The Lions District Governor Leslie Lyons performed an induction of new members, congratulated the old board and then handed out awards. Past President Jason Sines gave a speech thanking his members for their good work and presented a cheque for $300 to be used to buy books in a Queensland school wiped out by floods. Well done all. *Mr Andrew Playford*

**BIGGEST MORNING TEA**
Well done to the SRC for organising this fundraiser for the Cancer Council. The biggest thank you to Ms Aitchison and her hospitality students who cooked up some delicious cupcakes. *Mr Andrew Playford*

**LIBRARY WEEK CELEBRATIONS**
A wonderful week of events were conducted by library staff over the week. These included book readings, special giveaways and a celebratory morning tea. Thank you to all who borrowed during the week. *Mr Andrew Playford*

**CLIMATE ACTION AWARENESS**
The Ballina Climate Action Network were in the school to finalise the organisation of the 100% renewable campaign. The volunteers will be talking to the community of the importance of sustainable practices in the school and workplaces. *Mr Andrew Playford*
Auntie Heather’s powerful message to us all about coming together as one, touched many hearts as was evident by the silence and respect shown to this very special woman as she spoke about her personal experiences.

Mr Ussher made a heart warming speech in which he said “It is vitally important that we Australians’ observe Sorry Day, so that all Australians’ can move forward in a spirit of harmony and equality, respecting and valuing each others cultures and traditions”.

Kyra Jarrett read a poem entitled the Stolen Generation followed by Shoni Reilly who read a reconciliation poem. Students Keanie Milner and Lauren Baldrey sang My Island Home while another strong performance of White Fella Black Fella was performed by Ben Taylor drums, Rowan Nelson singer and Brad Browning guitar which was appreciated by all.

BHS received a special mail delivery from our sister school Toke High last week. They described the horrors of the earthquake and tsunami but thanked our school for thinking of them by sending donations. The giant poster is on display in the library. Near the staff common room is an excellent display of students work from Year 7 that shows the high level of engagement we have with the Japanese.

The team who sponsor the NSW cricket team visited the school with a BIG message. “Slow down on the road”. All Year 10, 11 and 12 heard from the cricketers and Senior Constable Kim Mewing about being in control. The students participated in a variety of activities then our captains were given an autographed bat.

Picture shows Peter Neville, Carina Burke, Sunae Reilly, Joe Mennie and Senior Constable Mewing.

Dates for your Diary

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THE 2010 EVENT OPENED MY EYES TO THE EDUCATION AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE. I FEEL MORE ABLE TO SUPPORT MY CHILD WITH DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR FUTURE. Anne, Ballina Parent

Ballina RSL 4.30 - 7pm
Thurs 16th June 2011

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Dept Education and Training
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Grant Daley
Master Builders Association
- Career articulation......Shifting the mindset

Southern Cross University
- Getting into university......Let's look at the options

Centrelink
- Youth Allowance & Family payments for students continuing in education & training

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This is not Boot Camp or Brat Camp - we aren’t trying to break you! We want to find the balance between having a great time and being inspired and challenged. Fresh food and gear are coming every three days, so we don’t have to carry too much stuff. But you will need a basic level of fitness.

You’ll get to see some amazing country, do great activities, learn some skills, get healthy exercise, work as a team, make new friends, meet some challenges, and learn new ways of coping.

The journey is a chance for you to discover your inner strengths and get a new view on things. In meeting challenges you are going to start feeling better about yourself. During the trip you will be part of a crew of 6-10 young people your age, and a team of 3-4 adults to support and guide you on your way. Your achievement will be to travel from Uki, in the heart of the Wollumbin volcano caldera, across the spectacular Nightcap ranges, to Lismore, using only peddle, walking and paddle power!

Want to find out more?

**Step 1** Contact Andy for a chat – 0438 323 510 or andyh@evolve.org.au

**Step 2** If you are keen, we’ll arrange an interview to talk about the nitty-gritty, make sure you are sorted with gear etc.

**Step 3** Come on a 2-day camp to have a bit of fun, meet the rest of the crew, and make sure this is for you. (June 6-7)

**Step 4** Take-off! 10 day adventure begins! (June 29 to July 8)