We have had a great week of learning at Upper Orara Public School! The children have enjoyed time in the garden and learning about what plants to grow for the season ahead and what companion plants can do to help our vegetables grow. The children also enjoyed a snack from the vegie garden, “Watermelon and feta salad.”

I went to the swimming lessons on Tuesday and noticed a big difference in what the children can now do in the water to keep safe and enjoy swimming. Some of the children are looking forward to using their improved skills in competitions and family outings.

Don’t forget to pack our swimmers on Monday night for our last day of swimming on Tuesday! Children can bring a small amount of money to spend at the canteen.

Kate Marsh our School Counsellor visited us and had a chat with us about getting along with our peers. She loves visiting our school and is looking forward to another visit next term.

Thank you to the families who have already sold raffle tickets and are asking for more booklets to sell! More booklets are available at the office. The children are very excited about our Easter Hat Parade and some of the children have already started designing their hats! Our formal assembly will be at 12.30pm, followed by a picnic at 1:00pm and the Easter Hat Parade at 1:45pm.

Good luck to the cross country runners tomorrow! Mrs Cotterell will be at the cross country helping out and I will be teaching the children who are not attending.
The AFL fun day is on next week! Please complete the attached permission note if you would like your child to attend and return to the school by next Tuesday at the latest. This event is free!

ANZAC DAY MARCH

I really need to know if anyone is attending the ANZAC MARCH in the holidays! I will attend and I’m hoping some of the children will attend to march, hold our flag and lay a wreath. Please indicate on the slip below.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR TERM 1

The last day of school is Friday 11/4/14. The children can wear mufti and bring a gold coin donation for the Heart Foundation. Please make sure our outfits are sun safe and we need to wear sensible shoes to play netball in the afternoon.

We have two new enrolments starting in Term 2. We are looking forward to the children attending our school and enjoying our school’s learning activities. I am sure they will love our amazing school!

I would like to thank all of the staff and friends of Upper Orara Public School for their dedication and assistance to make our school a great place to be in Term 1. I will be the Relieving Principal for Term 2 and I’m looking forward to continuing to work with the whole school community. See you all next Thursday to celebrate a great term of learning!

Leonie Smith – Relieving Principal

Yes, my child ______________________________ will be attending the Anzac Day March in Coffs Harbour.

No, my child will not be attending

_________________________________________ Signed Parent/Guardian

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

This week’s ‘Student of the Week’ is Ethan Barrett. Ethan receives this award for improvement in maths and swimming tasks and helping younger children participate in games. Well done Ethan!

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th April at 4pm. This will be our AGM. We welcome all parents and citizens to come along and participate and get involved with the activities that are happening at our wonderful school.