Twilight Swimming Carnival

An extremely successful Swimming Carnival was held at Ballina Pool on Tuesday night. Luckily we missed the rain! Congratulations to all students who competed and there were many very close finishes. It was wonderful seeing the number of students ‘having a go’! A ‘BIG’ thank you to all parents who helped with time keeping and also the ex-students who helped as runners.

Results
Champion House – Ainsworth

Age Champions
Junior Boy  Flynn Bosselmann
Junior Girl  Nyxie Ryan
Runner Up  Ryan Kernaghan
Runner Up  Annabelle Miller
11 Yrs Boy  Nathan Mackenzie
11 Yrs Girl  Hazel Rogers
Runner Up  Flynn Whitney
Runner Up  Renee Bolger
12/13 Yrs Boy  Shea McEvoy
12/13 Yrs Girl  Karina Hartley
Runner Up  Blake Kernaghan
Runner Up  Ruby De Plater

New Records
Boys 11 Yrs 50m Backstroke Nathan Mackenzie 43.93
Boys 11 Yrs 50m Butterfly Nathan Mackenzie 40.88
Boys 11 Yrs 200m Individual Medley Nathan Mackenzie 3.24.97

Competitors who finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Freestyle and Form Strokes and Individual Medley competitors who finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd and meet the qualifying time will swim at the Ballina District PSSA Swimming Trials to be held next Friday February 15 at Ballina Pool. Notes will be given out and MUST be returned to school with the levy by Monday February 11. Any student who can’t go should let Mr Lyndon know asap.
From the Principal’s desk

Welcome back to an exciting new school year. Walking around the playground and visiting classrooms this week just confirms how lucky we are to have such fantastic kids at Lennox Head Public School. It’s just exciting to see so many happy faces of children who just love coming to school every day! A special welcome to new families joining our school community we look forward to getting to know you. We hope your time with us will be rewarding and enjoyable.

As always the placement of students and teachers at the beginning of a new year is an important factor in getting a good start as there is no doubt that the best outcomes for kids happen when teachers and parents work together to support children’s learning.

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Additional Staff

- Mrs Lyn McMahon: Mrs McMahon will be in her first training year for Reading Recovery. She will work with four students from Year 1- 9.30am-11.30am daily and attend training half a day each month.

- Mrs Jenny Blair will be the librarian as well as taking KH on Friday.

- Ms Angela McGill is responsible for the Learning Support Program at Lennox Head PS on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

- Mrs Susan Doughty is our school counsellor and is at Lennox Head Public School on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

- Class teachers have two hour release from face to face teaching. This is provided by Mrs Blair and Mr Whitney.

- Mr Mark Whitney leads the school music, band and choir program with the support of Fiona Clark and Robyn Hoile.

Lennox Head Public School Swimming Carnival

Last Tuesday night the annual twilight swimming carnival was held at the Ballina Pool. Students must be congratulated for the way they cheered on each other in true sporting spirit. Many parents and friends came along to help out and join in the fun. Mr Lyndon and staff must be applauded for the excellent way the carnival was planned and operated. Next Friday, February 15, many students will go on to compete at the district carnival which is also held at the Ballina pool. Good luck to all those competitors.

Young Leaders Induction

The annual induction of young school leaders will be held on Friday, February 22 at 12 noon. This is a most important event in the school calendar and all parents and friends are invited to attend this special occasion.

Kindergarten 2013

Our new Kindergarten students did their Best Start testing last week of which there have been some excellent outcomes. All Kindergarten children had their first day at BIG school this Monday and it was great to see them just busting with enthusiasm and energy to start the year with their fellow class mates and Buddies. I can see that we are all going to have a wonderful year together.

Ron Ritchie
School Leader

Thought for the week

It is wise to keep in mind that neither success nor failure is ever final.
Roger Babson

Good News

On the 19th and 20th of January, Lennox Beach Line Dancers, a team of 14, travelled to Tamworth to compete at the annual Australian Line Dancing Championships.

The team competed in most of the sections including solos, duos, trios and teams. Lennox Beach trained very hard over the holidays and even held a fundraising concert in the school hall.

The team did very well at Tamworth coming back with 222 medals (92 gold, 70 Silver, 60 Bronze), Club of the Year, ALDC Open Buckle prize and the Entertainment Award. We congratulate Lennox Beach for their winnings! We would also like to say a massive thank you to Kimberly Vidler for all her hard work and support.

By Tayla, Emily and Mia
Gold Coast Titans Rugby League Visit

The Gold Coast Titans Rugby League Club sent player ambassadors to Lennox Head Public School today to promote Rugby League and to speak about bullying. First grade players David Mead and Luke O’Dwyer were special guests along with 4 development squad players who spoke to the students. They were great representatives for their sport.

Musical Notes

**Lessons** will started back the week commencing February 4. Lesson times will be organised as soon as we can. We ask students to be patient as this can sometimes take a few weeks due to new classes and timetables being organised.

**Band rehearsals**
Both Junior and Senior band rehearsals will commence Monday February 11. Rehearsal times and location remain the same as last year.

Notes concerning other band information are being mailed home.

Fiona Clarke and Mark Whitney

Library Events

**Reading Challenge**
Forms have been handed out to all children. Please encourage your child to participate. Participation rates for the Premier’s Reading Challenge at Lennox Head Public School are very high. Well done.

**Donations**
Thank you to Georgia Langfield, Shea McEvoy, Nathan Josey and Noah Cook for donating books to the Library.

**Borrowing**
Please encourage your child to use a library bag or a plastic bag when borrowing library books.

Library Days for classes:
- Monday: 5/6L, 6L, KH, 1J (Miss Cuppit), 1CT (Mrs Ceely/Mrs Thomas) and 3E
- Tuesday: 5/6S, 2M, 4M, 3/4C
- Wednesday: 2H, KL, K/1N, 5/6W

**Plastic Bags**
If you have any plastic shopping bags that you do not need they would be greatly appreciated in the Library.

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**Musical Notes**

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**Transport Survey: Have your say**
Sustain Northern Rivers (SNR) is conducting a transport survey for the Northern Rivers. They want to know how people travel within the region and what prevents them getting to where they want to go. We’re calling for organisations, community groups and individuals who can assist with identifying the transport needs of our community. You’re an important link that can assist in gathering this information. The Northern Rivers Transport survey can now be completed online. Visit: [https://scuaq.ualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_0J1GIHqgaB0calD](https://scuaq.ualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_0J1GIHqgaB0calD) The survey will close on 28 February 2013.
Community Announcements

Go4Fun® has an emphasis on practical, fun learning. This FREE program by NSW Health is designed to deliver sustained improvements in families’ diet, fitness levels and overall health. The program has been specifically designed for children aged 7-13 years and their parents or carers.

Program starting TERM 4th February, 2013: Kentwell Community Centre and the Richmond Room/Ballina Pool BALLINA Monday and Wednesday 4pm – 6pm
Places in the program are limited, so call the Lismore & District Women’s Health Centre today on 66219 800 or free call 1800 780 900 or email your interest to go4fun@lismorewomen.org.au

Get Rolling after-school skateboard program with Northern Rivers Skateboard Coaching
- The program will run for 10 weeks
- Every Wednesday 3.30-5pm at Lennox Head Public school
- Start date Wednesday February 6th - 10th April.
- $20 Skateboarding Australia membership fee which includes Personal injury insurance for 2013
- 10 week program cost $180 or $20 per session.
- Includes hire of skateboard, safety equipment & helmets.
- Ramps and obstacles will be supplied each session
For booking please contact the school

GOD MORNING CLUB
Thursday Mornings 8am - 9am (during term)
St. John’s Anglican Church Lennox Head
(Cnr. of Fern St and Byron St)
A before school program for Year 1 - Year 6, filled with games, activities, and a Christian Story.
A small weekly donation to cover craft supplies is appreciated.
Term 1 Commences: Thurs 14th February
For more information please phone - 6686 2094

Our healthy canteen

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Welcome to all families new and old. Most of the canteen items are now available. Lasagna will not be available until further notice and macaroni should be available by the end of next week. Re-nu Water has now been discontinued. We are currently sourcing another similar product.

We will be having a “Pancake Day” on Tuesday March 5. An order sheet will go home shortly. There are some empty spots on the roster so please come and see me if you can help.

Thank you, Sue Tatum Ph: 66877141