What's Coming Up!

Week 9
- Fri 29 Mar: GOOD FRIDAY

Week 10
- Mon 1 Apr: EASTER MONDAY

Week 11
- Tue 9 Apr: P&C Meeting – 7.00pm
- Thur 11 Apr: Canteen sausage sizzle
- Fri 12 Apr: Last Day Term 1

Term 2

Week 1
- Mon 29 Apr: Staff Development Day – Pupil Free
- Tue 30 Apr: Staff Development Day – Pupil Free
- Wed 1 May: Students return to school
- Thu 2 May: School Cross Country
- Fri 3 May: PSSA Regional Football

Week 2
- Mon 6 May: Art Enrichment Workshops – 4 days to Thu 9 May

Producing Excellent Citizens

Student of the Week
If you were looking for an honest, trustworthy student to carry out an important job you would choose our Student of the Week. Our Student always models our three key values of Respect, Responsibility and Integrity. She has been a caring buddy and preschool helper.

She is an empathetic and happy friend who always plays fairly and is a great team player. She strives to produce quality work at all times, is a delightful visitor to the library and has participated in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. She is a valued member of our school’s award winning choir and is a good big sister to her little brother. Congratulations Paris Rodrigues.

Merit Student
Darcy Dunne

Weekly Achievement Awards

Jacob Neto KL Nick Wells K/1N
Noah McIntosh KH Zephyre Westover Jones 1CT
Rhett Walshaw 1J Kobi Thomas 2M
Allis Sweeney 2H Zeb De Plater 3E
Mason Massie 3/4C Annabelle Miller 4M
Ella Jackowski 5/6S Keelan Henley- Martin 5/6W
Juliette Stafford 5/6L Jasmin Fry Library

Easter Hat Parade 2013
See our website for Easter Hat Parade Album
From the Principal's Desk
Isn't it lovely to get some positive feedback! This is an email sent to our school account last week.

Hello Lennox Head Primary School:

It always makes me smile when I see the schoolchildren from Lennox Primary riding their bikes around town, they look so happy and they make me happy when I see them, they smile and call out hello to the locals. Well done to the teachers, be proud of your lovely pupils.

Congratulations students, parents and teachers!

Easter Parade

It was an outstanding Easter Parade due to the high level of participation by the students and the strong attendance by family and friends. There is always a great display of creativity in the design of the hats and posters. The parade ran smoothly, thanks to the coordination of Ms Warren, assisted by Year 6 leaders. The P and C Easter raffle was a huge success with many prizes drawn during the parade. Again this was only possible because of the generous donations of Easter eggs and the purchase of tickets. Congratulations to everyone, a huge thank you to Mrs Julie Binder for organising the egg collection and raffle and to all those kind members of the community for purchasing tickets.

Long Service Leave

During the last 2 weeks of this term I will be taking long service leave to spend time with my family. In my absence the school will be in the capable hands of Mrs Langfield.

EASTER THOUGHTS - Forgiveness is a gift I give to yourself.

(An extract from Bruce Sullivan Newsletter)

What do you do when someone lets you down? When you have given so much and you honestly feel like there is literally nothing left to give? Do you resort to anger, resentment and bitterness?

Don’t think that there is not a time for these feelings, they are a necessary part of the journey however anger, resentment and bitterness are not meant to be the destination. They take their toll and diminish you.

What most people don’t realise is that by not forgiving the other person for what happened, they themselves are the ones who are punished, not the other person! Their minds and bodies are forced to endure the damage that the long term harbouring of these feelings can bring. (There is also a good chance that those closest to them have to endure it too.)

So what’s the good news? I suspect you will have been let down by someone at some stage which simply means that you get a chance to practice forgiveness. Once you truly understand the benefits available to you as the one who forgives then you will continue to grow far beyond who you were.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The biggest men and women with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest men and women with the smallest minds.

Think big anyway.

RECOGNISING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Gold Cards
Rhett Walshaw
Avah Orphanos
Taylah Jeffery
Kobi McCombie
Hailey King
Renée Bolger

Savannah King
Gabrielle Bolger
Tamika King
Max Edwards
Danny See
Ella Cutts

Three Respects in Action – Dolphin Slips

Dolphin slips are given to children for demonstrating the three Key Values of Respect, Responsibility and Integrity in the playground. Draws are made each week from the Dolphin Slip box. Each child receives a canteen voucher.

Blake Lacey
Elijah Loveday
Dusty Gillott

Russell Asser

Congratulations on being great role models.

Teaching Respect and Responsibility

The Bear Award is given to the class that demonstrates the best listening and participation skills during the weekly assembly.

Week: 8 Class: KL

Well done

P&C Items

Wow, what a fantastic Easter Hat Parade we had. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and carers who helped with the children’s hat making. They looked so wonderful.

Congratulations to all the raffle winners. A BIG thank you to Rock of Ages for their generous donation. Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets and donated prizes. We raised over $800 and had a massive amount of prizes (over 130). A big thank you must go to Julie Binder for organizing the Easter egg raffle and all who helped her with wrapping the prizes.

To all those people who have contacted me with regards to helping with the P&C, I will be in contact with details soon. If there are any other people who would like to contribute to the P&C in any way, big or small, it would be greatly appreciated. I can be contacted on kergra@optusnet or 0431 703515.

A reminder that our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday April 9 at 7.00pm in the library. Hope to see you there.

Kerren Kernagan (President)
Sports Bits

Regional AFL Trials
Congratulations to Blake Kernaghan for being selected to represent the Far North Coast at the Regional AFL Trials at Yamba next Friday April 5.

NSW PSSA State Swimming
Good luck to Nathan McKenzie at the State Swimming Championships at Homebush next week.

Caring for our School Community

Peer Support Groups

This is the second week that we have focused on the behaviour of bystanders during Peer support.

This week, children will practise ways of responding to bullying whether they are directly involved or not, by talking to the child doing the bullying, the child being bullied or a responsible adult.

We use a turn, talk or tell model to support children to develop strategies for dealing with bullying behaviours. This is not easy for many young people so your child may need encouragement to persevere.

Student Welfare Team

Paul Bryant Public Speaking Competition 2013

Tuesday March 26 saw the Annual Paul Bryant Public Speaking Competition being run in the school hall. Following class competitions involving all students, each class nominated 3 representatives for the School Final. Mr Bryant and Mr Bryen commented on the outstanding level of the speeches and had some very close decisions to make.

Congratulations to our Stage winners and runners-up.

Stage 1: Kit Roberton 1st Alani Adamson 2nd

Stage 2: Tyler Adamson 1st Bryn Walshaw 2nd

Stage 3: Bailey Whitney 1st Siena Seymour 2nd
Our healthy canteen

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Thank you, Sue Tatum Ph: 66877141

Happy Easter Everyone!

Don’t forget to return your sausage sizzle order and money by Friday April 5.

Community Announcements

Beginner Hook in2 Hockey
Date: Week 2 Term 2 - Time: Thursdays
Duration: 45 minutes per lesson 4:15-5:00pm
Period: 4 weeks - Cost: $35 (includes equipment pack and coaching)
Age: 5yrs-12yrs - Location: Ballina Hockey fields
to sign up or for more information please contact the
Game Development Officer Joe at fnchockey1@hotmail.com or on 0413642361

AFL – Calling on all AFL stars. Come and join the Ballina Bombers Junior AFL Football Club. All age groups from 5 years through to 14 years. Looking especially for U10’s. Training has started. Sign on fee - $150. For further details phone: 0432 267 3955