**THURSDAY 20 MARCH 2014**

**What’s Coming Up!**

**Term 1**

**Week 9**
- 24 Mar: Street Sense K – 2 only
- 26 Mar: Interrelate Year 5 – 6
- 27 Mar: P & C Welcome BBQ – 5.30pm
- 27 Mar: Coloured Hair Day

**Week 10**
- 31 March: Public Speaking
- 2 April: Zone Winter Sports Trials

**Week 11**
- 9-10 April: State Swimming
- 11 April: Easter Parade

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**Weekly Achievement Awards**

- Milly Titjen: KL
- Lily Moore: KH
- Emma Flanagan: 1/2M
- Zoe Marr: 2/3C
- Tyler Adamson: 3/4K
- Rani Keller: 5/6M
- Maiya Lincoln Mather: Library
- Angus Binnie: K/1N
- Kaelb Berle: 1CT
- Dustin Woolsey: 2W
- Gracie Moore: 3A
- Isabelle Schubert: 4J
- Cameo Zinser: 5/6S
- Flynn Duverge: 5/6L

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**Year 3 Camp - Midginbil Hill**

After much excitement and preparation 40 of our Year 3 students set off last Monday to Midginbil Hill camp.

The teaching staff and the staff from Midginbil Hill wish to congratulate all students on their outstanding behaviour and cooperation throughout the three day camp. Students enjoyed participating in archery, rock climbing, team building games and echo walks.

The activities at Midginbil Hill are challenging. Activities included indoor rock climbing, problem solving, camping skills and archery. Most of the activities are conducted in the bush. The instructor Shirley, Ian and John are very friendly and helpful.

The activities are exciting and educational. By Will
From the Principal's Desk
The students and staff of Lennox Head Public School invited grandparents and senior citizens to be our guest on Thursday 20 March.

On the day students invited guests to visit their classrooms, after which morning tea was provided and our Infants and Primary student choir led by Mrs. Robyn Hoile and Mr. Mark Whitney entertained our guests and a sausage sizzle was held for all to enjoy. A lovely morning was had by all. Thank you to Mrs McIntyre for her great organization.

Thank you to all those parents and friends who support our school by being involved in so many different ways whether it be just sending your students to school every day ready to learn, helping out in classrooms and the canteen, coming along to working bees or being involved in the P&C.

A connected and supportive school community is a vital ingredient in the building of successful school and great student outcomes.

Ron Ritchie
School Leader

Thought for the week
Limitations live only in our minds. But if we use our imaginations, our possibilities become limitless. – Jamie Paolinetti

Cybersafety
Children under 13 years old are not permitted to register for Facebook and accounts will be deleted if the company is notified of an underage user.

However, it's safe to assume there are many underage Facebookers, despite the median age of Facebook users being 26.

Vice-chair of the EFA Geordie Guy says it's not an environment designed for younger children.

"As a parent you need to think about whether you would want younger children in this environment … think of it like a virtual party of young adults, and ask yourself if you would want an eight-year-old to go along," he says.

Another issue often overlooked is that Facebook is a business. Advertising is Facebook's revenue stream and if kids link to brands and businesses via Facebook they are joining commercially valuable consumer data.

Friends only
The Australian internet advocacy group, Electronic Frontiers Australia (EFA), recommends all Facebook users select 'Friends only' for all functions.

Find the privacy settings in the drop down menu by clicking on 'Account' in the top right hand corner on the page. Facebook organises privacy settings into 'Everyone', 'Friends of friends', 'Friends only' and 'Customise', which can restrict access to an individual or small group.

There are two other important settings if you want to maximise your child's privacy.

From 'Privacy Settings' choose 'Applications and websites' then go to 'Instant personalisation'. This is the controversial program which shares information with Microsoft, Pandora and Yelp, and it requires you or your child to opt out by clicking Edit settings and un-ticking the box. You can also go to 'Search' via 'Privacy Settings' and choose to disable the public search function in the same way.

At a glance
• Google your child's name, then search for them on Facebook. See who has access to what information.
• Make sure your child sets their privacy options so only genuine friends can find them on Facebook.
• Having hundreds of Facebook friends isn't proof of popularity, just proof privacy is not being taken seriously.
• What goes on Facebook can become public and permanent – the good, the bad and the soul destroyingly embarrassing. Future employers will probably search for your child's name on Google and Facebook.
• Emphasise to your child that they should never agree to meet with anyone they have "met" on Facebook (or any other internet-based social network), without a parent or responsible, trusted adult present.

Kik – Social media app
Kik is a free texting app used by more than 50 million people around the world that enables users to connect with strangers. Although rated for people aged 17 and older, experts say children aged 11-15 are its main users.

The app can be installed on iPod touch and iPad devices as well as smart phones. Instead of using phone numbers or real names to contact each other, each Kik member has a user name. Conversations and images can't be viewed publicly, which makes it much harder for parents to monitor Kik than Facebook or Twitter.

Cyber safety expert Ross Bark said Kik and Instagram were a "dangerous combination" for teenagers, who post photographs publicly on Instagram and then invite viewers to "Kik me" privately to chat.

“They're literally promoting themselves, saying 'come and talk to me,'" Mr Bark said. "They can randomly chat with somebody and send images, and they don't understand the consequences of who is using that information."

NSW Police Force social media spokesman Strath Gordon said police were concerned drug dealers and paedophiles trawl Kik, "taking advantage of that hidden communication".

"It's hidden to most parents," Mr Gordon said. "Young people may not even know who they are communicating with. No one is using their real names and that's a problem ..."
Parental ignorance of Kik makes the app particularly attractive to teenagers. "Kids are moving away from open Facebook updates because they know their parents are watching them, and they're moving on to Kik," cyber safety consultant Martine Oglethorpe said.

"They know Kik is not where the adults they know hang out. They're chatting seemingly privately and feel there is no way anyone else can see."

But experts say blocking Kik or banning children from using the app is not the answer. Instead, they advise parents to educate themselves about the social media their children are using, and to set boundaries for that use. Parents should teach their children about appropriate behaviour online such as not conversing with people they don't know, and not meeting up alone with people they've only chatted to online.


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Recognising Student Achievements

**Gold Cards**

Kye Walker  
Bella Schlegl  
Arameia Moore  
Kahlila Marshall  
Tom Sinanovski  
Brayden Kernaghan  
Tayla Jeffrey  
Bryn Walshaw  
Hazel Rogers  
Ella-Jean Cutts  
Max Edwards

**Under 11's Rugby League**

Khyan Weir  
Will Kneipp

**Girls Soccer**

Ella-Jean Cutts

**Boys Soccer**

Jared Lofts  
Syl De Witt

**Netball**

Georgia Langfield  
Renee Bolger

**Hockey**

Zac Alexander

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**Principal's Eleven Win Again**

Last Friday the Schools PSSA state knockout cricket team played their round 2 game against Goonellabah Public School.

The boys were again convincing winners by 8 wickets. Some highlights on the day was Russell Asser’s 5 wicket hall and a great cameo innings by Flynn Whitney with shots played all around the ground. All boys were able to both bat and field and showed admirable sportsmanship on the day.

Thanks must go to Michael Roberts who umpired on the day and Coach Brett Asser and Team Manager Steve Lennon for all the time and work they put in with the boys.

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**Library Events**

Thank you again to Jayden Backshall for donating more books to the library.

**Museum Display**

At present we have a "Life in Freshwater" display from the Australian Museum that the children have been focusing on during library lessons. Next week we will also have visits from the preschool to look at the display.

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**SRC Fundraising**

**Year 6 Girls – Lennox Life Savers**

The girls have independently decided to register themselves as the Lennox Life Savers in order to raise funds for the Cancer Council.

The S.R.C have voted to support their fundraising by having a coloured hair day on Thursday 27 March.

Please support the girls and their wonderful cause by colouring your hair and donating a gold coin. School uniform will be worn on the day.

Thank you the S.R.C
P&C Items

Family Welcome BBQ
The Lennox Head Public School P&C is hosting a "Welcome BBQ" on Wednesday March 26 for all families who have joined our school community within the past year.

It’s a great opportunity to meet and chat with our Principal and P&C families over a free BBQ dinner. It is a chance to find out more about how things work in our school, including our P&C and have your questions answered in an informal setting.

Please return your RSVP by Monday 24 March. We are also in need of some helpers for the BBQ if you are able to help out please contact Kerren Kernaghan at kergra@optusnet.com.au

Class Parent List
Thank you to those parents listed below for volunteering to be a class parent. If you would still like to volunteer please contact the school office or myself Julie Binder.

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Peer Support Week 8
In Peer Support next week children will be focusing on the skills of winning in a friendly way and coping with losing. The children will participate in various activities and discuss how to accept the outcome of a game, no matter what it is, in a friendly way in order to maintain those friendships.

During the week encourage your child to practice these skills in all aspects of life – whether it be weekend sport or choosing what to watch.

Community Announcements

Byron Bay Runners are a ‘not for profit' community running club, founded by a friendly group of Byron-based runners, for runners of all ages and standards. We offer members access to weekly social runs (for all ages), first-class track training facilities, junior and senior squad development (from 10yrs+) with Athletics Australia accredited coaches, free coaching programs from beginners to marathoners, timetrials, team entry to major fun runs. Please contact us for more information : www.byronbayrunners.com

Our healthy canteen

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Thank you, Sue Tatum Ph: 66877141