Producing Excellent Students

Student of the Week

Our student of the week is a quiet, caring young man who always displays our school’s three key values of Respect, Responsibility and Integrity.

He is empathetic towards others. He has also reached the lofty heights of being a Merit student.

He enjoys going to the library and helping students on the computers. He will have completed the Reading Challenge seven times this year.

He is a member of the School Junior and Senior Band and participates in performances in and out of school hours with the Band.

He is helpful and courteous and is very focused in the classroom. He has a positive attitude and teachers can rely on him to represent our school sensibly.

He is a great peer leader and a wonderful preschool helper during reading. He is a great big brother to his younger brother.

Well done Josh Watson.

Merit Student – Max Clarke

Honour Student – Havana Weir
From the Principal’s Desk

Each year our school sets a number of school improvement targets. Our current Literacy target is to improve the writing outcomes for students.

Strategies to achieve this target include:
• An audit of current practices
• Analysis of data so that teaching and learning activities match student needs.
• Professional learning for teachers.
• Teachers trained in the marking of NAPLAN Writing

Our success will be measured by:
• An increase in the number of students in the top two bands for NAPLAN
• NAPLAN writing outcomes are equal to state results
• Standardised test results indicate an increasing number of students scoring at or above chronological age
• Teachers more aware of writing conventions and national requirements.

Writing is both a good skill to have and a good activity for quiet times. Encouraging children to write is a goal of many parents, but figuring out how to get a child started can be a challenge. There are a number of writing strategies for kids that can help, though. Some strategies are the same as for adults, such as writing about what you know.

The best writing ideas are the most obvious. A child can write about what they have seen and heard recently. This can mean a conversation they heard or had with a friend, an event they witnessed, or something they saw and started thinking about. Kids can draw dozens of ideas from their lives, writing about school, their friends, pets, or hobbies. Some kid’s ideas will be universal: what happened in their last soccer game, what they are learning about during science lessons at school, where they went over the weekend. Others are likely to be gender specific. Girl’s writing ideas might include dance or playing house at school. Boys might write about a cool bug they found or a new toy truck. Whatever idea a child has, the important thing is to write about it. Writing develops communication and language skills, which are important in a child’s success throughout life. Starting to develop these skills early lets a child build on them later, increasing their potential for academic achievement and success in the working world.

More tips at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolparents

Ron Ritchie
School Leader

Thought for the week

Part of being a successful person is remembering others and how everyone may thrive from your actions and ideas. True happiness and self-satisfaction are not measured by material possessions. It is rather the way you influence others and how you develop from your past experiences, which makes your life significant.

Anthony Robins

Recognising Student Achievements

Gold Cards
Chloe Thirkell
Ryder Callahan
Liviya Star
Jamiah Bikoumou
Havana Weir
Nathanael Kelly
Joshua Young
Elijah Moore

Bella Boyd
Tianna Weeks
Joshua Summerfield
Gus Schirmer
Gus Clarke
Ash Daniel-Williams
Mataya Chinnery
Angus Baker

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.

Chloe Miller
Ryan Kernaghan
Asha Whitfield

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: 4  Class: 2/3C  Well done

Sports Bits

Rugby League
Good luck to the rugby league team which will be playing in a gala day on Monday to complete the first two rounds of the PSSA Knockout.

Netball
Lennox Head will be playing Alstonville in the second round of the PSSA girls netball competition. The girls defeated Byron Bay in the first round 22 – 6. Good luck girls.

Cross Country
Good luck to all competitors tomorrow at Bangalow at the zone cross country. Run hard!!

Touch Football
Congratulations to Renee Bolger, Mia Schirmer, Ben Moyle and Flynn Whitney on their selection in the Ballina district touch football.

Rugby Union
Also congratulations to the following boys on their selection in the zone rugby union team that will play in Grafton on Wednesday 11 June. Flynn Bosselmann, Max Clarke, Shane Lennon and Flynn Whitney. All the best boys.
Caring for our school community

Mosaic Mural
Melissa Wright is working on the mosaic mural on the street side of the school. If anyone has any old tiles or crockery plates, cups, saucers etc to assist her with this project.
Students may leave these in 3/4K classroom.
Regards Karen

New Facebook Page
Sharing school community information.
Lennox Head Public School Community.

Give the Screen a Rest. Active Play is Best.

Screen time refers to the amount of time spent watching TV including videos and DVD’s; playing computer games on video consoles or on computers and using computers for other purposes.

Research now indicates that for every hour of television children watch each day, their risk of developing attention-related problems later increases by 10 % e.g. three hours of TV a day means 30% more likelihood of developing problems with paying attention!

Simple ideas to reduce screen time are:
- Move any TV or other screen out of your child’s bedroom
- Turn off the screens at dinner time
- Encourage outside play while there’s daylight.

Library Events

Biggest Morning Tea
Thank you so much for supporting this worthy cause. The school raised $575. A special thanks to all those who donated baked goods especially year one and two.

Donations
Thank you to Annabelle Miller and the King Family for recent donations and also to past Lennox Head families, O’Maley & McEvoy for donating books to the library.

Thank you
Wish to thank all the mums for their help covering books Tarja Kelly and Michelle Colpus.

Byron Bay Writers Festival
Well we had a huge response and all tickets have been sold. This excursion overlaps with the Creative Arts Camp so some students had to pull out but these seats were quickly filled.

Kindergarten 2015

Are you looking for an outstanding education for your child that may be starting school in 2015? If so we would love to meet you at our Kinder Information Night in the Lennox Head Public School Library on Tuesday evening the 3rd of June beginning at 5:30pm.

We invite you to find out more about the great opportunities for your child.

If possible we invite you to RSVP to our friendly office staff by Friday the 1st of June or by phoning 66877230.

Looking forward to meeting you all,

Mrs Langfield
ES1 co-ordinator

Yesterday was National Simultaneous Reading Day

Children across the country all read the book “Too Many Elephants In The House” by Ursula Duborskasi.

Children in KL and K/1N made some beautiful elephant masks. Do you think there are too many elephants in the house? They had a fantastic day and really enjoyed the story.

Thanks to Mrs Pullen (our current prac student) for your clever ideas.

This was a wonderful time for children to enjoy and appreciate story sharing.

P&C Items

Mother's Day Stall
We hope everyone had a great Mother’s Day and received a little surprise. We raised over $530.

Thanks to the 7-12 Southern Cross Support unit for supplying us with the herbs and plants. Each week the students pot plants/herbs to sell and use the funds to put towards their bus.

Also thanks to Michelle Gilmore for her donation of jewelry and to Coco Boutique and Tree huggers wax who provided products. It’s great to get some local products.
P & C fundraising committee
Our healthy canteen

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Thank you, Sue Tatum Ph: 66877141

Look out for the new canteen price list.
Canteen has quite a bit of second hand uniforms if you need some extras for winter. Prices start from $4.00.