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A dynamic and caring learning community

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Producing Excellent Students

Student of the Week

This week’s student of the week is a caring, considerate class member who always produces quality work. She has participated in the Premier’s Reading Challenge five times.

She is a wonderful buddy to Kindergarten students. In the playground she plays fairly and in the classroom is a positive role model.

She has represented the school in Cross Country. She is a most valued member of the Junior and Senior Band, she always has a smile on her face and displays our three key values of Respect, Responsibility and Integrity consistently.

Congratulation Kayla Farrell!

Honour Students
Felix Fraser and Sophie Gaskell

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Finn Spencer 2/3C Chloe Miller 3A
India Ledingham 3/4K Roberto Pennington 4J
Samina Rowhani 5/6M Zac Alexander 5/6L
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Merit Students
Amy Matthews and Timothy Unsworth

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From the Principal’s Desk

Well what a busy start to the Term we are having, this week we have students participating in the North Coast Creative Arts Camp, Visiting Author at the Lennox town library, Byron Bay Writers Festival, P&C Disco (thank you to Tennna and all the parents and teachers who came along to help out), Public Speaking and Art display at Ballina Fair, SRC Red and Yellow Madness Day fundraiser and District Athletics carnival. Try saying that all in the one breath!

Wow that’s a lot you might say, well this week marks the 50th anniversary of NSW Department of Education and Communities Education Week celebrations. Sooo….. we thought we might just celebrate with style.

Next week some of our Stage 2 and 3 students will be attending Art Enrichment workshops with Mr Jamie Hoile and later in the week our senior choir will be travelling to Sydney to perform at the Sydney Opera House as part of the Festival of Choral Music. The concert features a Combined Primary Choir of 700 voices, together with outstanding instrumental and vocal individual items from public school ensembles across N.S.W. This is truly a wonderful experience for all students and parents. Thank you Fiona and Mr Whitney for escorting students and all the practise this year!

Ron Ritchie
School Leader

Thought for the week
"Goodness is the only investment which never fails."
Henry David Thoreau

School Attendance
Did you know that if your child misses as few as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a whole year of education?

By law, you are required to send your child to school every day. If your child has to be away from school for any reason, please either tell your child’s teacher or send a signed note explaining the reason for the absence, as soon as possible. If your child arrives at school late, or needs to leave early, you will need to go to the office to sign your child in or out.

If you’re having problems getting your child to attend school regularly and on time, please talk to your child’s teacher or principal.

For your obligations under the school attendance guidelines, please go to: www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/student_admin/attendance/sch_polproc/PD20050259.shtml

Healthy Sibling Relationships
MICHAEL GROSE www.parentingideas.com.au

Like world peace, family harmony is an admirable concept worthy of aspiration but well nigh impossible to attain. It seems that kids in families are programmed to fight with each other, but parents also have the power to facilitate learning.

When parents take an active approach to helping their children resolve their fights, they are teaching them a valuable life skill as well as reducing the incidence of fighting over the long term. Here are some ideas;

1. MODEL good conflict resolution skills
   Kids wear L plates when it comes to solving disputes. Some kids will yell, get abusive or even get physical when they are settling disputes. Show them better ways of sorting out problems by talking things through with your partner, compromising and apologising when you’ve said something upsetting to your partner or your children.

2. Help kids MANAGE their emotions
   “Yep, it would make me mad too if someone said that to me.”

Recognising Student Achievements

Gold Cards

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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.

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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.

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Sports Bits

Touch Football

Congratulation to Flynn Whitney on representing the PSSA State Touch Football last week. Over the course of the week they played 12 games and Flynn played extremely well.
Library Events

Overdue Books
Notes went out to children this week. Thank you to those children and parents who have returned/replaced or paid for overdue books. If you think the book has been returned just jot me a note and we will check the shelves again.

Book Fair
The library will be open on the following day and times to purchase from the book fair.
Thursday 31 July 1.40 – 2.10pm
3.00 – 4.00pm
Friday 1 August 8.30 – 9.15am
1.40 – 2.10pm
3.00 – 4.00pm
Monday 4 August 8.30 – 9.20am
1.40 – 2.10pm
3.15 – 4.00pm
Tuesday 5 August 1.40 – 2.10pm
3.25 – 4.00pm

Author Visits
This week children in years 3-6 went to our local Public Library and listened to Nick Earls presentation. All reports from teachers, students and the Library were very positive.

Book Parade
The parade will start at 10am and the order of the parade for classes will be 5/6M, 2W, 3/4K, K/1N, 1CT, 5/6S, KL, 4J, KH, 1/2M, 2/3C, 3A, 5/6L. Hopefully this is of some help to parents if they can only pop in for their child’s parade.

Book Parade is on Wednesday 20 August. All children come to school dressed up as their favourite character from a book. If you could write the name of the character and book on a A4 piece of paper so children can hold this as they parade around and everyone knows who they are.

There will be a lucky draw for each class. They will be entered in the draw if they come dressed for the parade.

Byron Writer’s Festival
On Wednesday 57 selected students from Years 3-6 went to Ballina RSL to be entertained by Sally Rippin and Andy Griffiths as part of the Byron Writer’s Festival. The students were inspired by these famous authors who gave an insight in to how they became writers.

At the end of the show students had the opportunity to have their books signed by the authors.

Congratulations to all students on your fantastic behaviour.

National Tree Planting Day
On Monday Year 3’s celebrated National Tree Planting Day by revamping the gardens near the front entrance to the school and outside 2/3C classroom. The garden at the entrance to the school is dedicated to Ms Warren and we will be placing a plaque in the garden too.

Thanks to Mr Lennon for his gardening expertise and to Ballina Shire Council for donating the plants and mulch. Year 3’s have been writing procedures in class so here is one on how to make a garden by Amalia Cook (3A).

How to make a Garden

**Aim:** To make a garden

**What you need:** Shovel, plants, water, mulch, gloves

**Procedure:**
1. Select your plants
2. Place your plants where you want them
3. If you like where they are dig holes a bit bigger than the plants
4. Put a bit of water in to the holes
5. Carefully take the plants out of the pots, then put the plants into the holes
6. Water the plants
7. Mulch around the plants
8. Thoroughly water the garden for ten minutes.

P&C Items
Reminder our next P & C meeting is to be held on Tuesday 12 August 2014 at Club Lennox. Everyone welcome. Would love to see some new faces.

Spring Fair
Preparation for this year’s Spring Fair is well underway but this can only go ahead if we have your help and support. Even if it is only for a short time throughout the afternoon.

Please contact Gemma 0418 178 266.

Rezel’s Brekky Bar
Don’t forget the canteen is now operating Rezel’s Brekky Bar each morning from 9am – 9.25am, selling – Warm Milo and 1x toast - $1.00. Warm Milo and 1x raisin toast or crumpet or bun - $1.50.

Disco
Thank you to the teachers and parents who helped with the disco last night. The children had a ball and we raised over $800.

Trenna
Musical Notes

Opera House Excursion
Just a reminder to all Senior Choir students and parents that the Sydney Opera House trip is in Week 4 of this term (August 6 - 9, 2014). The final payment for this excursion is due on Friday August 1st.

For Sale - Opera House Ticket this Thursday night. If you were planning on going to watch your child at the Opera House this week but missed out on a ticket – a Lennox parent has one available that is no longer needed.

If you are interested please phone Annie on 0438 669 125.

Think about carrots for Crunch & Sip/ Fruit Break:
Carrots are
• rich in Vitamin A, potassium and fibre,
• they don’t bruise,
• kids love their crunchy texture and sweet flavour,
• something different!

Social Networking
Social networking sites and apps are highly problematic for young people, exposing them to explicit inappropriate adult content, bullying and grooming. Before allowing your child to sign up to a chat site, a parent must sign up themselves in order to understand exactly what their child will be exposed to. For example, KIK is a popular one with children because it is free and can be used via any Wi-Fi network. It is the number one app for causing problems in schools at the moment as younger children are often using it without their parents' knowledge as well as being a haven for online predators. Police around the world regularly warn about this one!!

Lennox Head Public School Library now has a book to help you understand and connect with your child's online world and help them safely through it. It's called Sexts, Texts & Selfies - how to keep your children safe in the digital space, by Susan McLean. It will show you how to:
* establish good online habits
* set time restrictions and boundaries
* identify good apps and bad apps
* deal with cyber bullying
* work out who to "friend" and "unfriend"
* manage your child's digital reputation.

This book is available now.

Community Announcements

Our healthy canteen

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Thank you, Sue Tatum Ph: 66877141

Please check you emails or the school website for the new canteen price list that began Term 2, 2014. If you would preferred a hard copy please call into the office or collect one from the canteen.