What's Coming Up!

Term 2

Week 3
8 May  
Regional Rugby League – Grafton
Mother’s Day Stall
GRIP – Student Leadership Day
District Cross Country @ LHPS

Week 4
12 May  
NAPLAN
P&C Meeting – Club Lennox 6.30pm

Week 5
18 May  
Regional Netball
22 May  
Zone Cross Country @ Murwillumbah School

Week 6
26 May  
NAIDOC Activities
27 May  
Kinder Information Night @ 5.30pm
Simultaneous Reading

Weekly Achievement Awards

Spencer Connors   KC    Banjo Keane   KT
Mary-Jane Birnie  KJ    Liviya Star  1CD
Matilda McCombie  1W    Bella Sinanovski  2N
Reuben Hardy      2M    Ajandri Kelly  3A
Georgia Kotsireas 3/4J  Gus Clarke    4S
Tayla Jeffrey     4/5L  Russell Asser  5/6A
Spencer Connors   Library  Polo Baker  6R

Student of the Week

Our student of the week is a studious and diligent pupil. She is respectful of fellow classmates and caring and considerate.

She is a co-operative student who always finishes their work to a high standard. She is actively involved in many areas across the school and assisted with the setting up of the ANZAC assembly.

She is a house captain, who actively encourages others and was selected in the district netball team.

Congratulations Jessica Harper

Merit Student – Brianna Watkins

Cross Country Age Champions
From the Principal’s Desk

Firstly, good luck to all runners tomorrow at the District Cross Country. I am sure you will represent our school with pride. Best of luck to you all.

I am privileged to be travelling to the GRIP Leadership conference in Tweed Heads tomorrow with 7 of our school leaders. I am sure we will have a fantastic day and they will return to school with some even greater leadership qualities.

Early Arrivals To School / End Of The School Day
Over the last couple of weeks I have noticed a lot of children arriving at school well before 8:30am. Children should not be at school at this time. There is no teacher supervision prior to the bell at 9am. I would request that parents arrange suitable alternatives in the morning. It is also not pleasant for the children having to sit on the cold concrete, particularly as we start to move into the cooler part of the year. I understand some people need to go to work early, however we urge you to find an alternative option so that your children remain safe. We have a fantastic before school care operating on site; please call in to see the staff and they can help you with all necessary paperwork. Or you may find that your child is able to travel to school by bus, and then you will also know they are being supervised. If your children walk or ride to school, please ensure they are leaving home at a suitable time and not getting here at 8:30am or earlier.

Please also ensure that if you are coming on site to pick up your children of an afternoon that this is done promptly. As soon as you have your child, we do request that you leave the school grounds, the school grounds are not a place to play in the afternoons.

In addition if you need to see your child’s teacher please make an appointment to do so. Often teachers have places to be after work also, so please don’t expect that they will be able to have an in depth conversation with you on the spot. We appreciate your co-operation in these matters.

Social Media / Internet
Please take the time to read the articles that are in today’s newsletter. It has come to our attention that many children are using Facebook accounts and the messaging App KIK and other social media platforms. It is illegal for children younger than 13 to have a Facebook account. The App KIK requires users to be over 18. Often children will ‘friend’ someone without actually having an idea of who they are, unfortunately as we know not everyone is who they seem. It is really important to be very aware of what your children are doing and accessing online, children can be subjected to many things they are simply not able to handle at a young age. Please monitor and be aware of who your child talks to online.

Please ensure your children are accessing the Internet safely, ask to see what they have been looking at, if they are unwilling to show you that may be cause for concern. Yes you need to give children some degree of privacy; however you also need to guide and help them to make appropriate choices. At bed time devices should be kept in a secure location for the night, certainly not in children’s bedrooms. Uninterrupted sleep is vital for children’s brain development.

School Communication
A reminder that the newsletter that is emailed each week will contain all of the information you will need re what happens at school. If we need to remind parents of something we will put it on Schoolstream, or you may receive an email. It is really important that parents are reading the information we are providing. So please make it a habit to read the newsletter on a Thursday evening and if you are not receiving it via email, you can access it on the website or you may come and ask for a paper copy. If you have not downloaded Schoolstream please do so, as a lot of the school information is now provided through this medium. If you are unsure how to do this, please come and see our friendly office staff who will guide you through the process.

Have a fantastic, hopefully dry weekend

Deb Langfield
Relieving Principal

Artsmart Program
Due to limitations in available teaching time in 2015 the ARTsmart program has been condensed, meaning workshops will only be available at the appointed times. It does mean that Lennox Public may not be able to hold its own this year, due to Mr Hoile travelling and already being heavily booked. If he has any cancellations he may be able to run one during term 4, but there is no guarantees on this occurring.

As a result STAGE 3 children will have the opportunity to attend an ARTsmart workshop at Ballina Public School from Tuesday the 21 July to Thursday 23 July. This will be run from 9:15am to 3:15pm daily. The cost of this workshop will be $75. Parents will be responsible for dropping off and picking up children daily.

If you are interested in attending, please see the office for the necessary paperwork, as these courses are limited to a maximum of 20 students. Remember you must have an interest in or ability in Visual Arts. All paperwork and money needs to be returned by the 10th of June

Thought for the Week
"May you wake with gratitude."
Unknown

Opportunity Class Placement
For those parents contemplating applying for an opportunity class placement for a student in year 5 in 2016, application information is now available at the office. All applications must be made online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement
Online applications open on Monday 27th April and close on Friday the 15th of May. All students who seek places will then be required to take the Opportunity Class placement test on Wednesday July 22nd 2015.
Recognising Student Achievements

Gold Cards
Ashlee Wells  Cooper Adamson
Elsie Stewart  Alice Palmer
Tait Walshaw  Reef Webster
Lily Flanagan  Tully Fraser
Oskah Edwards  Angus Birnie
Harrison Guy  Kye Walker
Lila Paff x2  Jesse Gibson
Poppy Morison  Ocea Curtis
Sunny Lines  Tianna Weeks
Taj Thompson  Portia Johannes
Rob de Wit  Jade Roberts
Dylan Watkins  Sunny Berger
Nick Wells  Jamiyah Bikomou
Emma Flanagan  Rueben Hardy
Kahlia Marshall  Indi Cook
Jacob Neto  Maiya Lincon-Mather
Jack Moyle  Gracie Moore
Nathanael Kelly  Rhett Walshaw
Amelia Walker  Amalia Cook
Brock Gordon  Anais Stone
Hendrix Mills  Gus Clarke x3
Taylah Ledingham  Jayden Weeks
Kate Reka  Ava Redfearn
Rose Wright  Will Cass
Avah Orphanos  Jedd Windle x2
Keane Marshall  Bryn Walshaw
Jon Downie x1  Eden Hardman x1

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.

Dusty Gillott  Brianna Watkins
Jessica Harper  Zoey Cutts

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: 2  Class: KC  Well done

Library

CWA Far North Coast Group International Competition
All entries are to be handed to Mrs Blair or Miss Zerk by Friday 19 June. The topic is Italy.
If you need further details please see Mrs Blair/Miss Zerk in the library.

Premiers Reading Challenge
Please hand in completed forms to the library.

Sport

District Cross Country
Good luck everyone competing tomorrow. Students should arrive at Williams Reserve by 9.40am.

North Coast PSSA Rugby League Trials
Tate Spencer will be travelling to Grafton tomorrow to participate in the North Coast Rugby League trials. Good luck boys!

PSSA Touch Trials
Congratulations Brianna Watkins, Keeley Johnson, Jess Harper, Tate Spencer and Khyan Weir on begin selected in the Ballina District Touch Football Teams.

PSSA Knockout Rugby
The school Rugby League Team will play Mullumbimby in Week 4.

P&C News

Reminder
Next P&C meeting Tuesday 12 May at Club Lennox at 6.30pm. All Welcome to attend.

Mother’s Day Stall
Mother’s Day stall will be operating Friday morning for those who missed out on Wednesday. Gifts range from $1 to $5.

Great reasons to be active for children and parents

- boosts confidence
- improves fitness
- makes bones and muscles stronger
- improves posture
- helps maintain a healthy weight
- lowers the risk of heart disease
- reduces stress
- improves sleep
- reduces the risk of cancer
- improves self confidence
- teaches you new skills
- develops better motor skills
- makes a person happier with their body

Do something active every day!
Our healthy canteen

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Thank you, Sue Tatum Ph: 66877141

New Price List will be going home over the next few days, please replace your old ones. Finally – desperately needing some help on the roster. Please let me know if you can fill in any empty spot.

Community Announcements

**Byron Bay Junior Basketball Winter 2015**
Miniball (8-12yr olds) Tuesdays 4-5pm @ BRSCC
Aussie Hoops (4-8yr olds) Thursdays 3.30 - 4.15pm
@ Byron Bay Public School
For more information [www.byronbasketball.com](http://www.byronbasketball.com) or ph; 66872246 a/hrs e-mail, info@byronbasketball.com

**The Mother’s Day Classic** is a national fun run / walk held annually to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research.

2015 marks the third year of the Ballina event - one of more than 100 regional and capital city events held throughout the country on Mother’s Day, Sunday 10 May.

Breast cancer is still the most common cancer affecting women – one in eight will be diagnosed in their lifetime. Unfortunately, you’re hard-pressed these days to come across someone who has not been touched by this dreadful disease in some way … be it a wife; a mother; a sister or friend.

Please share this with your friends, colleagues and students to perhaps come along as a family, team or represent your school at this year’s Mother’s Day Classic. The Ballina event on Sunday 10 May will commence from Missingham Bridge Amphitheatre. Pre-registration is encouraged and is open until 11:59pm on Wednesday 6 May at: www.mothersdayclassic.com.au otherwise, on-the-day registrations will open from 8:00am, with participants starting their walk or run from 9:00am.

The course once again covers approx. 4.5km along the foreshore of Shaws Bay, finishing back at the Amphitheatre for a post-walk breakfast, great prizes for our “best dressed” and the entertaining tunes of local band, “Mad Mule”.

Everyone is welcome, including our four-legged friends who can participate for a gold coin donation entry fee. We look forward to seeing Ballina light up with PINK this Mother’s Day and hope you can join us.

**Yoga Fit Lennox Head**
Anglican Church Byron St, opp the petrol station.
Wednesday 6am - Tues and Friday 10am
$10 for 1 hour dynamic flow yoga for strength and fitness. All levels. Enquiries 0434 493 940