What's Coming Up!

Term 3

Week 3
27-31 July  Far North Coast Creative Arts Camp
30 July         The Ned Show – School Performance
30-31 July  Book Fair Opens
31 July         District Athletics

Week 4
3-4 Aug     Book Fair
4 Aug         Writers’ Festival

Week 5
10-11 Aug  Coastal Kids Concert
12 Aug     Book Parade
14 Aug         Zone Athletics

Week 6
17 Aug     School Photos
19 Aug     P & C Disco

Weekly Achievement Awards

Ashlee Wells  KC    Bryce Roberts  KT
Myles Jensen  KJ    Lila Paff  1CD
Thomas Speelman  1W    Jade Roberts  2N
Tiana Weeks  2M    Jake Kynoch  3A
Astrid Lacey  2/3Z    Layla Harper  3/4J
Amali Linton  4S    Tim de Wit  4/5L
Alex Thompson  5/6A  Destani Lawless  6R
Jimi Ladd Library

Producing Excellent Students

Student of the Week

Our student of the week is a great team player and always makes positive contributions to the classes which he has been.

He is a keen sportsman who has represented our school in cross-country, swimming and has been part of the school cricket and rugby league teams.

He can be trusted to carry out any given task to the best of his ability and always displays our three key values of Respect, Responsibility and Integrity. He is a sensible peer leader and buddy who is always willing help other out.

Congratulations, Will Kneipp.

Congratulations to Coen Acret for receiving a High Distinction in the ICAS Science

Honour Award – Jon Downie
From the Principal’s Desk

Many things have been happening both at school and in the community this week. As many of you are aware this week is Education Week. Today Mrs Thomas and Miss Clarkson took our junior choir to perform at Ballina Fair as part of the Plateau to the Sea Education Week performances. Mrs Thomas said the children were fantastic and performed beautifully. Ryan Kernaghan also attended to present his winning multicultural speech titled “Words can Hurt”; he once again did an outstanding job. Thank you all for being wonderful ambassadors for our school.

Our school will be holding an Open Day to coincide with Book Week on Wednesday 12 August. All parents will be welcome to watch the parade, visit their child’s classroom and stay for a picnic lunch. If you do wish to order lunch from the canteen on this day, please ensure orders are at the canteen by 9:30am.

I would like to wish all of the competitors that are representing our school tomorrow at the district athletics carnival the best of luck. We look forward to hearing all of your great results.

We have received several new enrolments over the last 3 weeks and would like to welcome all of the new families to our school community. You may have also noticed that work began on our new building this week. Hopefully this will be fully operational within the next 2 weeks and 2/3Z will have a new building for their classroom.

The NED show performed at school this afternoon. If children are interested in purchasing any yo-yo’s they will be available at the office for the next week.

There is also information today in the newsletter regarding school photos. These will be taken on Monday 17 August. We will distribute the envelopes to children on Monday 10 August. A reminder even if you are not purchasing photos - please ensure that the envelope is returned to school. Every child still has their photo taken as we use these for school - related records.

I have reminded children at assemblies regarding the correct school uniform. Can you please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform on a daily basis. We have many children at the moment wearing coloured jumpers and shoes. School jumpers are bottle green and children should be wearing black shoes from Monday through to Friday. Joggers are acceptable shoes on a Friday. As a school we take pride in our appearance and wearing the uniform displays respect.

If you are missing any items, please come and check the lost property container outside the staff room, as it is overflowing at the moment. Any unlabeled items that remain in the box, by the end of next week, will be donated to charity. Please label all of the items that your child brings to school, it is so much easier to then return them to the correct owner.

It appears that once again we are having a small issue with skateboards at school. If children choose to ride skateboards to school, the only place where they can be stored is in the bike racks at the front of the school. It is your responsibility to ensure they are secured, just as for scooters and bicycles. They are not to be kept in teachers store rooms or on bag racks as it is a WHS issue. If this creates issues for children then I strongly suggest that they are not ridden to school, but kept for after school and on weekends. When I drive to school daily I am concerned at the number of children that do ride skateboards, but they do not wear any protective equipment, especially helmets. Please ensure your children are wearing helmets, otherwise we will have no choice other than to ban skateboards from being ridden to school. We simply want everyone to travel to and from school safely.

Have a lovely weekend
Regards Deb Langfield

Thought for the Week
“Life as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever” Mahatma Gandhi

Recognising Student Achievements

Gold Cards – Week 2
Felix Fraser Jake Kynoch x 2
Saede Silvers x 3 Kurt Watson
Jon Downie Polo 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.

Spencer Connors Chad Atkins
Chaise Windle Aija Harding-Francis

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: 5/6A Well done

Sports New

District Athletics
Please note that students travelling on the bus to Alstonville need to be at school by 8.30am for a 8.45am departure. Students in the relay teams need to be at Alstonville by 8.45am.
Library

Writers’ Festival
The children attending the Writers Festival at the Ballina RSL Club will be departing on Tuesday at 12 noon and returning to school by 3pm.

Donations
Thank you to Grace Jackowski for donating books to the library.

Book Fair
The Book Fair started today and will be open for purchases on Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday:

Thursday: 1.40 – 2.10 and 3.25 – 4.00pm
Friday: 8.30 – 9.25, 1.45-2.10 and 3.25-4.00pm
Monday: 8.30 – 9.25, 1.45-2.10 and 3.25-4.00pm
Tuesday: 1.45-2.10pm

Purchases can be made by parents at the conclusion of the school assembly on Friday.

Book Parade
The parade will start at 10am. It will be held under the COLA area near 6R classroom.

The order of the parade is:
6R, 2M, 4/5L, KC, 1CD, 4S, KJ, 3A, 2N, 1W, 2/3Z and 5/6A.

The children will walk around the COLA area and then there will be class photo opportunities. There will be a lucky draw for each class for those who come dressed up for the parade.

It would be great if your child could write who they are on a sheet of paper, and hold it as they parade around, so we all know who they have come dressed as!

After first break the children will participate in a Book Hunt in peer groups.

Overdue Books
Please check with your child about overdue notes that went home earlier this week.

School Photos
Lennox Head PS photos will be taken on Monday 17 August. Children will need to bring the envelope back on the day handed to their class teacher with the correct money enclosed. Students please come to school dressed in their correct summer uniform.

If anyone would like a family photo envelop please pick one up from the office.

Cost – Individual Deluxe Pack - $40.00
Group/class Photo - $25
Family deluxe pack - $30

Remember to Smile!

Looking After Our School
Schools are an important part of our community. We take care and pride in our school, so that it will be a happy, safe and pleasant learning and play centre for all of our young students.

No-one has a right to be in the school out of school hours and certainly no-one has the right to vandalise our children’s classrooms.

As a community member we are asking you to help us by:
• Being vigilant as you walk or drive past the school out of hours
• Detouring past the school whenever you are able and checking the grounds as you go past
• Reporting any trespassing or vandalism by phoning
  • The School Security Unit (24 hour service) on 1300 880 021
  • Police on 6681 8699.

Your personal safety and security is important, so please do not intervene in any way if you observe trespassers, simply report the incident.

Deb Langfield
Principal

Earn & Learn

Ballina Fair are unable to provide an extra box for stickers – so all stickers will need to be placed in the box at school. Please ensure they are stuck onto an Earn & Learn sticker sheet – these are available at Woolworths or from the school. Thank you.

Kids in the Kitchen

Our Kids in the Kitchen Programme, which we run with support of the Health Department, is in its second year at Lennox Head. It is an amazing programme which encourages children to enjoy and cook healthy food as we as develop independence by learning new skills.

We would like to thank both our Kindergarten and Stage 1 teams of ‘parents, grandparents and friends’ for the caring and professional way they ran our sessions.

Thank you for a wonderful job – the children loved it!
N.B. Next up Stage 2 in a couple of weeks and Stage 3 coming in early term 4.
Our healthy canteen

**Volunteer Ethics Teacher needed Urgently**

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**Super School Planned**

Please read below information on the new Super School planned to be built on the grounds of Ballina High School opening in 2019.

Southern Cross School, Secondary School as we know it now is planned to be closed by NSW Department of Education and is to be used as the Distance Education site. Southern Cross K12 opened 22 years ago and the secondary school year 7-12 currently has 575 students enrolled. Lennox Head Public School is a major feeder school for Southern Cross School. Lennox Head Public School students of today will be affected by this decision.

The Department of Education plans to move secondary students from Southern Cross School and merge them with Ballina High School students on the existing Ballina High School site. This school is planned to open in 2019 with a capacity for 1400 students increasing to 2000 students. Where as the optimum number of students as quoted by the NSW Department of Education is 900 to 1100 students.

We as a P & C are very concerned about this issue and would like to know what the school community feels about this issue. We will keep you up to date as further information becomes available.

Please email our new email address:- mailto:lennoxheadpandc@mail.com or like our Facebook page:- http://www.facebook.com/lennoxheadpandc

Kerryn Kernaghan - President

**Our healthy canteen**

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Thank you, Sue Tatum Ph: 66877141

- Parents wishing to order for the Book Parade picnic day – just a reminder of you would like Sushi, it needs to be ordered and paid for before the day.
- Don’t forget our lovely winter warmers – Lasagne - $4.00, Hot Chicken & Corn Crumbed roll - $2.00, Pulled beef & Gravy roll - $3.50

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**P & C News**

**Disco**

Mark the date Wednesday 19 August on your calendar. We will be holding a school disco.

Years K-2, 5.00pm to 6.15pm and Years 3-6, 6.30pm to 8.15pm more details follow closer to the date.

The P & C now have their own email address and Facebook page. If you have any concerns or need information please email lennoxheadpandc@mail.com or like our Facebook page www.facebook.com/lennoxheadpandc

**Community Announcements**

What should Pop Denison Park be like in the future? Have your say Saturday 8 August 9am - 12noon // River Street, Ballina near Wigmore Arcade.

Come along to a drop-in session to prioritise ideas for facilities that should be included in Pop Denison Park. This will be a fun, interactive session where people of all ages (including kids) can let the project team know what they would like to see in the park.

Participation will be EASY so come along and have your say or visit Council’s website www.ballina.nsw.gov.au