Dads in Education Afternoon

On Friday, 6th March, Lismore South PS held our first Dads in Education afternoon. Over 100 dads and children turned out for the afternoon. An amazing result. Dads and children participated in activities that included plant recycling, AFL and soccer skills, frisbee netball and portrait drawing. Some fathers displayed amazing hidden drawing talents in their portraits. We would like to thank all the staff who gave their time and skills to make the afternoon so successful. The comments from the children and the smiles the afternoon created demonstrated the level of enjoyment. After the amazing success of the afternoon and as a result of requests from the children and fathers, “Dads in Education” will become a regular event each term.
From the Principal

This Wednesday the Minister for the Environment, Mr Rob Stokes, will be visiting our school with his “recycling truck”. Preschool and Kindergarten students are invited to bring in plastic bottles to be recycled in a demonstration in the morning.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Don’t forget to make a time to meet with your child’s class teacher next week. This is a great opportunity to talk about academic progress and find out how you can help at home. For those students who have support plans in the classroom, the teacher will explain the specific learning goals they are working towards in the first half of the year.

School Contributions
School contribution requests will be sent home at the beginning of next term. The payment structure is as follows;

- One student - $30
- Two students - $50
- Three or more students - $60

You are welcome to come into the office to make a payment or use our POP online payment system via the school website.

Harmony Day
As part of Harmony Day students may wish to bring in a gold coin donation. This money will be used to support cyclone affected families in Vanuatu.
Please join us for the Harmony Day Assembly this Friday at 9.30am.

Have a great week.

Nickie Bartlett
Principal

“Deadly Australians” visited last week. The students enjoyed learning about the reptiles.

LAST DAY TERM 1: THURSDAY, 2nd April
FIRST DAY TERM 2: TUESDAY, 21st April

CANTEEN ROSTER
CANTEEN CLOSED TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS
Thursday, 19/3 – Karen Ollett, Stewart Burns
Friday, 20/3 – Marcus Bebb, Penny Walker
Monday, 23/3 – Rhonda Muldoon

Breakfast Club from 8.30 – 8.55am daily.

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Collection of Children
Preschool hours are 9.00am – 3.00pm. Please be on time to pick your child up from preschool each afternoon. If your preschool child has siblings enrolled at Lismore South, please collect your child from preschool before collecting your older child/ren.

What’s been happening in Preschool?
The Echidnas and Goannas have been amazed at seeing the actual lifecycle of a caterpillar. We found a caterpillar on a leaf in our garden, we watched it eat and grow. It then formed a chrysalis and this week we had a butterfly in our tank.

We have made our own caterpillars, chrysalises and butterfly paintings and craft this week. We hope we can get to see another full lifecycle.
Outcomes 2: children are connected with and to their worlds, through exploring, predicting and hypothesising to develop and understanding about nature and 4: Children are confident and involved learners.

Thank you
Thank you to the families who have seen our requests for various craft items. The children really appreciate the items you have brought in. Our aim is to add to our outdoor learning environment. Please keep your eye open for a wooden boat (which we would paint and add to our playground. If you know where we could find one, please let Preschool staff know.

Please remember
• Please clearly label all of your children’s belongings.
• Remember to check your child’s file for notes and extra special artwork!
• If you have a family photo we would love you to email a copy or bring one in for our family tree. Please email photos to lismoreth-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.
• Some card will be coming home soon in your child’s locker. We ask that you trace around each member of your families hand and we will add it to our new tree near our lockers. We aim to add lots of different sized leaves to our tree.

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Miss Keed 14th March
Rose Wilson 18th March

Preschoolers enjoying the Dads in Education afternoon.
Rule of the Week
To be RESPECTFUL, students are reminded to “Consider Others”. Example: Let others join in games.

URGENT INFORMATION
Several families haven’t returned the bright pink ‘evacuation’ note and/or the general consent form and update of information on the reverse side. We would appreciate this information being completed and returned TOMORROW.

Expression of Interest for High Schools in 2016
Last week all Year 6 students were given information relating to High School next year. This information is very important and must be returned to Lismore South by tomorrow, Tuesday, 17th March.

Absences from School
Parents/carers are required to explain the absences of their child from school promptly and within seven (7) days. Included with this newsletter is a proforma for your convenience or you may use the skoolbag app.
If your child is sick or going to be absent for a period, please let the school know by contacting the office.
If a student arrives late, leaves early or needs to leave school for a period of time eg visit doctor/dentist, parents must sign their child in/out at the school office.

Uniform Store
The Uniform Store is located at the main office and is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. The room is not available on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAYS.

P & C NEWS
Hot Cross Bun/Lamington Drive
Order forms were sent home last week. Orders and payment must be returned by 3 pm Monday, 23rd March. Orders will be ready for pick up from the school hall or sent home if requested by 11 am Thursday, 2nd April.

MARK THIS DATE: Thursday, 2nd April – 9.30 am
Preschool to Yr 6 EASTER HAT PARADE

Confidence ● Discipline ● Self Defence ● Fitness ● Fun
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