KW has settled beautifully into kindergarten. The children are busy being creative and trying hard in all areas. They love listening to stories and using the iPads. KW’s manners are FANTASTIC!
What a fabulous day on Friday to celebrate Harmony Day, which was all about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Our P-6 assembly in the morning was a wonderful showcase of different cultures and the classes were given a variety of opportunities throughout the week to learn songs, dances, cultural facts, cook and create art. Well done to all involved.

Why Can’t I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Reading each night is extremely important. The following is a scenario from research conducted by educational writers Nagy and Herman in 1987;

Student A reads 20 minutes each day, which equals approx. 4000 minutes in a school year. Student B reads 5 minutes each day, which equals 1000 minutes in a school year. Student C reads 1 minute each day, which equals 200 minutes in a school year. By the end of Year 6 Student A will have read the equivalent of 77 whole school days. Student B will have read only 20 school days.

The most important part of a child’s homework is reading. This can be either independent reading or being read to.

Please take the time to read the Tupperware flyer included with this newsletter. Gwen Clapham has kindly offered to run a fundraiser for the P & C, which will be held next Thursday to coincide with the Easter Hat Parade.

Please note: The date on flyer should read Thursday, 2nd April not Friday.

Thank you to the families who have ordered. **EXTENSION OF TIME:** If you overlooked sending in an order, you may do so until **3pm TOMORROW Tuesday.**

Orders will be ready for pick up from the school hall or sent home if requested by 11 am Thursday, 2nd April.

Have a lovely week. We hope to catch up with many families for Parent/Teacher interviews this week.

Nickie Bartlett  
Principal

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| Tues, 24/3 | CANTEEN CLOSED  
Ice blocks for sale  
Whole school assembly  
Parent/Teacher Interviews | Lunch – 50c each  
2.00pm in School Hall. Parents welcome  
Allocated times |
| Wed, 25/3 | CANTEEN CLOSED  
Ice blocks for sale  
Parent/Teacher Interviews | Lunch – 50c each  
Allocated times |
| Thurs, 26/3 | Years 3 & 4 Swimming Lessons  
Parent/Teacher Interviews | Goonellabah Sport & Aquatic Centre  
[Remember swimmers etc]  
Allocated times |
| Fri, 27/3 | Student Banking  
Year 6 Excursion  
Parent/Teacher Interviews | Collected in classrooms  
$100 deposit due  
Allocated times |
We have been very creative in Preschool. The Echidnas have enjoyed making pretend cakes and party planning. Also, some of the boys have enjoyed manipulating play dough and making dinosaurs. This has led into a new dinosaur display inside, for all of the children to explore. Outcome 2: children are connected with and to their worlds, through exploring, predicting and hypothesising to develop an understanding about nature and Outcome 4: children are confident and involved learners.

The Goannas practiced a great deal for ‘Harmony Day’. We learned how to sing ‘Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes’ in German, ‘Kkopf, Schulter, Knie and Zeh’. So, if you think we are singing the wrong words we are actually speaking a different language! We are clever little Goannas!

**Easter Hat Parade**
Preschoolers have made and decorated hats for the Easter Hat Parade. They are our ‘new life’ hats. Feel free to make your own hat with your child at home, but remember if you are pressed for time, we have a backup hat. If your child attends Preschool on a Monday or Tuesday, you are also welcome to come along to our Easter Hat Parade and decorate your own hat or use the one made here. We will be performing three dances on the day and we have practised these dances at Preschool over the Term.

**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.
- 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 lismoresth-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.
- Some card will be coming home soon in your child’s locker. Please 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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**Kellie Keed & Allison Jarrett – Preschool Educators**
Rule of the Week
To be RESPONSIBLE, students are reminded to “BE ORGANISED, BE ON TIME”. Example: Keep all your belongings together. Have your lunch order in on time.

OVERDUE - Expression of Interest for High Schools in 2016
Eight Year 6 students have not returned this information for High School next year. As we have to submit this information now, PLEASE ENSURE THAT THESE FORMS ARE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE TOMORROW.

Easter Hat Parade
Parents and carers are invited to the Easter Hat Parade for Preschool to Year 6 students. It will be held on Thursday, 2nd April commencing at 9.30 am under the Oval COLA.
Please help your child make a special effort to turn an old hat into a new one or decorate a hat for this occasion keeping in mind the Easter theme.
Younger brothers and sisters are invited to join in some dances under the supervision of parents.
Students will be involved in a dance routine and students are permitted to wear casual dress for the occasion.
It is rumoured that the Easter Bunny may make an appearance.

End of Term Disco
An end of term disco will be held in the school hall on Wednesday, 1st April. Entry will be by a gold coin donation. Drinks and other food items will be for sale at the back of the hall. Senior SRC students will be responsible for this.
Years 3 - 6 will attend the disco from 12.30 pm - 1.25 pm.
Kindergarten - Year 2 will attend the disco from 2 pm until 2.50 pm.

WANTED – Lego
Donations of Lego in good condition would be appreciated. Please send to the office.

5/6TW Considering Others Class Poem
In transition we silently walk,
we are considering others when we don’t talk. (Matthew)

In the playground you have to share,
if someone is sad, you tell them you care,
and give them a hug like a grizzly bear. (Tylah)

In the bus lines we sit down,
we stay in our lines, we don’t run around. (Jack B)

When you’re in the toilets, make sure you flush.
If you don’t and someone finds out, you might blush. (Seth)

On the oval we keep it clean,
one of our school rules is not to be mean! (Eliza)

In the assembly we have eye contact to the stage.
We listen quietly so the teacher doesn’t rage. (Decklan)

The canteen is a place where you get your food,
don’t push in front because that is rude! (Ethan B)

St Vincent De Paul Buddies Day
We went to Woodlawn on the bus and we went into the hall and played games. Then we got changed into our swimmers and went to the pool and played games. After that we had lunch and a Scavenger Hunt for clues. Ice blocks were given to us and then we had another swim till it was time to get changed. Then it was time to get on the bus to go back to the Transit Centre. It was heaps of fun and we all enjoyed the day.
Deserea Dalu (5/6TW)
Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

**LISMORE LANTERN PARADE** has invited Lismore South to participate in the Lismore Lantern Parade on the **20th June 2015**. It attracts up to 30,000 people and is recognised as Lismore’s signature event! This year, the theme is “Parades of the World”.

Lismore South Public School will have **workshops** where we will **decorate/make lanterns** to carry in the parade. The workshops are up to 3 hours long and will be held at school during school time.

**Cost:** $12.00 (Preschool - Year 2 will decorate a lantern) 
(Years 3 - 6 will make and decorate a lantern)

SPACES ARE LIMITED! 
TO AVOID MISSING OUT on this opportunity, PLEASE RETURN THIS NOTE no later than **WEDNESDAY, 1st April**.

Please Note: Payments must be finalised by **Thursday, 30th April**.

All children who make a lantern are invited to participate in the parade with their parents as part of our school group.

You will be notified of the details of the parade closer to the 20th June.

Jo Manitta & Kathy Culley  
**ORGANISERS**

Nickie Bartlett  
**PRINCIPAL**

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(Pre-school students may decorate a lantern if accompanied by an adult.)

LISMORE LANTERN PARADE WORKSHOP  
(Please return to class teacher by **WEDNESDAY, 1st April**)

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I enclose $12 per student for decorating/making lanterns.

Enclosed is $........... or I will pay on .......................  

I will pay $ ........... by POP (Parent on-line Payment) on .....................

Signature............................... (Parent/Guardian)  Date...........................