3/4B In-school Support Program Celebration

The students of 3/4B and 3N have worked with Kristy, Jaime and Simon from the YWCA during the last 10 weeks. The activities have developed the student’s confidence and much fun was had by all. We made some really great carry bags, pizzas and played various games. The program has helped many students become more confident and outgoing. Here are a few pictures from our celebration day.
Thank you to all those students from Preschool to Year 6, and their families, who attended the Lismore ANZAC March and service on Saturday morning and represented our school. The event attracted the largest numbers in recent history and it was wonderful to see so many of our younger generation paying respect to the veterans and those soldiers who lost their lives defending our country. I would also like to make special mention of Mrs Jo Wright, Mrs Denning, Mrs Culley, Ms Keed and Mrs Knight for accompanying the children and Mrs Lois Ponton for making a beautiful wreath for the captains to place at the war memorial.

Books In Homes

Books In Homes is a charitable organisation that supports schools to give free books to school children to be read and enjoyed in their homes. Newcastle Permanent is the organisation’s main sponsor and we are very lucky to be given the opportunity to be part of this amazing program in 2015. Over the next 2 weeks the children will be previewing and choosing 3 titles from a range of books, to be taken home at the end of term. The students will be able to choose 6 more titles over the year, meaning every child K-6 is able to take home 9 books. We are incredibly grateful to the Books in Homes charity and Newcastle Permanent for allowing us to be part of this wonderful program.

Gymnastics

Year 3 - 6 students will be receiving a note today to participate in Gymnastic lessons at the North Coast Academy of Gymnastics in South Lismore. K-2 children will be given the opportunity to learn Gymnastics skills later in the year.

School Contributions

Please remember school contributions can be paid in person by cash or cheque at the school office or online via our school website using the Parent Online Payment (POP) tab. The payment structure is as follows:

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

This year these contributions will be put towards purchasing additional iPads.

Have a lovely week.

Nickie Bartlett, Principal

Please ensure your child has a broad brimmed hat.

Dates to Remember

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Opportunity Class

The application process for Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 is about to begin. Important dates are as follows:

**Monday 27 April 2015:** Online applications open

**Friday 15 May 2015:** Online applications close

Parents will be able to access the online application at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement).

Please contact the school if you require additional information.
What’s been happening in Preschool?
We would like to welcome Autumn and Phoenix, and their families, to our Preschool Echidna group. There were some very excited children this morning who have had an extra-long holiday!

You may have noticed our morning routine has changed. Preschoolers are working hard, while playing, to increase their fine motor strength. Things to help fine motor skills are, play dough, cutting, sharpening pencils, bouncing and catching balls.

Thank you
What a fantastic turn out for the ANZAC Day March. Thank you to the families for bringing your Preschooler down to remember those who have fought for our country.

Thank you Kayla for coming into Preschool and playing ‘the last post’ on the trumpet. What a fabulous talent and the Goannas loved hearing you play. On Thursday, the Goanna group participated in our whole school ANZAC Assembly and they were very respectful listeners. Please thank your child for being such a respectful listener.

Mother’s Day Stall

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<td><strong>Tuesday, 5th May</strong> - Please bring in $5 to purchase a gift for your mother or loved one.</td>
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Please Remember
Goanna group - some card will be coming home soon in your child’s locker. We ask that you trace around each member of your family’s hand and we will add it to our new tree near our lockers. We aim to add many different sized leaves to our tree.

Preschool Committee Meeting
This meeting will be held during Week 5.

Kellie Keed & Allison Jarrett – Preschool Educators
**Rule of the Week**

To be **Respectful**, students are reminded to “**Wait my Turn**”. Example: Play fairly with others.

**ANZAC DAY**

In honour for those who made the ultimate sacrifice, a number of Lismore South students, supported by teachers and parents commemorated ANZAC Day by proudly marching with their school. Six of our students were chosen to lead the parade carrying a poppy in honour of one of 41 local soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice in battle during 1915. Showing the commitment of a true leader, Nick attended with a broken leg and, with the assistance of his sister Chloe, carried the wreath to the cenotaph where it was laid by Cody as a mark of respect.

Lismore South Students featured prominently in NBN’s news coverage which can be viewed by following the link below. [http://goo.gl/xj4Pvd](http://goo.gl/xj4Pvd)

**Book Club**

Orders and payment (**cheques made payable to Lismore South Public School**) must be returned by **Monday, 4th May**.

**School Cross Country – K to 6**

Our annual School Cross Country will be held on **Friday, 1st May** at Nesbitt Park commencing at 1 pm. Every student must return a permission note by **tomorrow, Tuesday**.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD/REN BRING A HAT AND A WATER BOTTLE FOR THIS EVENT.**

Water can be purchased from the canteen for $1.00.

Students 8 years and over will walk to Nesbitt Park on Thursday, 30th April during sport to practice for this event.

**School Photos**

Photos have arrived and will be sent home later this week.

**Student Banking**

We require a parent volunteer to assist with the student banking on Friday mornings for this term. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

**P & C NEWS**

At the recent meeting held 20th April 2015, the main items of discussion included:

Mother’s Day Stall to be held Friday 8/5/15 (If you would like to assist, please contact Colby Radcliffe on 0419 287 114 or colbyrad@yahoo.com.au).

Greyhound Night will be held in September and planning has commenced.

A big Thank You goes to everyone that has supported the Tupperware Fundraiser, Lamington Drive & NSW State Election BBQ – we have raised over $1000.

Centenary (School Committee has been formed to begin planning this event). P&C will investigate options for memorabilia.

The Minutes of the meeting held 16/3/15 are now available on the school website. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 18/5/15 and your participation is welcomed.

**Mother’s Day Stall**

The P & C Association is organising a fundraising Mother’s Day Stall. Gift packs ($5 each) will be available for students to purchase. If you would like your children to purchase just one for your family, we can arrange this. Echidnas and the School Leadership students will be able to purchase gift packs on Tuesday, 5th May and Goannas, Kindergarten to Year 6 will purchase on Friday, 9th May.

Parent volunteers to assist with the wrapping of gifts and selling on the days would be appreciated. Please contact Colby on 0419 287114 if you are available.