We have been studying a unit of work in Literacy called **Aboriginal Culture**. We have been reading Dreamtime stories, such as, “How the Birds Got Their Colours” and “The Mermaids”. We have also read the stories, “Tom Tom” and “Tucker’s Mob”, which told us about the lives of children living in Indigenous communities throughout Australia. Below are some of our artworks and maps that we completed after reading these stories.
Richmond River High School is holding an information night for any families who are interested in applying for the High Achievers class for their child/children. The High Achievers class exists to serve high achieving students by providing them with a stimulating learning environment in which they can be encouraged, supported and challenged to excel in all areas of academic life. The information night is being held on **Wednesday 26th August in the River Theatre from 5:00pm till 5:30pm**. The school will also be hosting a Junior Music Performance Evening from 5:30pm in the MPU. If you have any questions or queries about the evening please contact the Richmond River High School office on 66213456.

**Medical Information**

Some families may be aware that Bella Johnson in 1/2C is currently undergoing chemotherapy for Infantile Myofibromatosis (soft tissue tumour). To help our school community better understand how best to support Bella, Chris Leibke from the Lismore Cancer Care Unit will be coming to speak at a whole school assembly. One area we need to be very vigilant with is exposure to certain viruses. Viruses that cause measles, chickenpox and shingles could make Bella extremely unwell. Therefore I would be grateful if you would contact the school immediately if your child is found to have one of these illnesses. If we know that there has been exposure to measles, chickenpox or shingles, medicine can be given to lessen the side effect of such an infection to Bella. This medicine does need to be given as soon as possible after the contact has taken place. Thank you for your cooperation in this area and I am sure you will join with me in sending our best wishes to Bella and her family.

**Breakfast Club**

Once again, thanks to the anonymous community member who has donated another $40 Woolworths voucher for our Breakfast Club. All community assistance is greatly appreciated by the staff and children.

Have a lovely week.

Nickie Bartlett – Principal

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**Dates to Remember**

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**KINDERGARTEN 2016**

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ENROLMENT FORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
What’s been happening at Preschool?
The Echidna group have been experimenting making clouds with soap. We had a great time watching the soap expand in the microwave and making Preschool smell beautiful.
The Goanna group made a ‘Frozen’ turned ‘Rainbow Party’ in the cubby house. Ruby and Emily S started decorating the cubby with all sorts of coloured blue paper for the ‘Frozen’ theme. Other children joined them and all sorts of beautiful colours were used to create the ‘Rainbow Party’.

Outcome 4: Children are Confident and Involved Learners

Daffodil Day – Reminder
The Echidnas are welcome to wear yellow clothing and bring a gold coin donation to help raise funds for the Cancer Council tomorrow, Tuesday 25th August and the Goannas on Friday, 28th August.

Thank You
Thank you to Lisa Somerville for donating dress up clothing to preschool. Thank you to M & T Tyres who donated some old tyres which we will transform into a garden. We are going to use them to beautify our outdoor environment, therefore we are seeking a donation of potting mix so we can plant some plants in the tyres.

Dads in Education is back!
More information on page 4. We would love as many preschool dads, with your children, to come and join in the fun activities.

Father’s Day Stall – P & C Fundraiser
Goannas will be able to purchase gift packs ($5 each) on Friday, 4th September and Echidnas on Tuesday, 1st September.

Book Borrowing
We hope everyone is enjoying borrowing books from preschool and reading regularly with their child. Books can be changed daily or weekly.

Hand Sanitizer
As there have been so many colds and flus lingering this winter, we are asking if each family could please donate a bottle of hand sanitizer, if possible, in an effort to try and eliminate spreading bugs between the children.

THINGS TO REMEMBER
• Please remember to be on time to pick up your child, by 3pm, as the Preschools licence stipulates 9am till 3pm only.
• With our new routine we are spending a lot of our day outside. It is important that your child brings their hat EACH day.
• Please label your children’s belongings. It makes it easier for us to return jumpers, lunchboxes etc to their rightful owner.

Kellie Keed & Allison Jarrett - Preschool Educators

Canteen Roster

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Values: Self Confidence, Co-ordination, Focus, Teamwork, Respect for Elders, Discipline.
Rule of the Week
To be Respectful students are reminded we are kind with our words and use our manners eg be polite (thank you) when given something.

Change of Student Banking Day
Starting this week, student banking will now be processed on THURSDAYS.

Book Club (including Preschool)
Brochures have been distributed today. Orders/payment (cheques made payable to Lismore South Public School) must be returned by Tuesday, 1/9.

Father’s Day Stall
Gift packs ($5 each) available on Friday, 4th September.

P & C Raffle
Please return tickets sold or unsold by Wednesday, 2nd September.

Dads in Education
After the fantastic turn out in Term 1, and with the days getting longer and the weather warming up, we have decided to run Dads in Education again this term. A note will be sent home this week. Hope to see you there again.
When: Friday, 11th September 2015, Week 8.
Time: 3:30pm to 5:00pm.
Where: 3 - 6 COLA and playground.
What: Games and activities for all to participate in. There will be a free BBQ at the conclusion of activities.
Who: All fathers/uncles/grandfathers.
Terry Cameron – Co-ordinator

SURVIVING ADOLESCENCE TOGETHER
Adolescence is one of the greatest transitions a family must face. Extensive research has shown that the most protective factor in helping teens develop into resilient adults is a close, supportive relationship with a parent or caregiver. This parenting course is designed to support parents/ carers to understand and respond proactively to the challenges of adolescence, and to help strengthen the parent/ teenager relationship.
Topics covered: adolescent development, how relationships are protective, risks teens face, challenges parents face, how parents and teens push each other’s buttons and how to positively influence your teen.
WHEN: Thursdays 3rd, 10th & 17th September (these are not separate seminars)
TIME: 10.30am to 1pm
WHERE: Northern Rivers Social Development Council, 16 Keen Street, East Lismore COST: Free
CONTACT: Steve 0429 190 210 or Monica 0417 026 585
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL