Immunisation Records: Under the NSW Public Health Act 2010, an immunisation record must be provided to your child’s preschool service. The blue book is no longer an acceptable immunisation record. Immunisation History Statements are sent to each parent/guardian after their child turns 18 months and 4 years of age. You can obtain one at any time by contacting Medicare by:

- Telephone on 1800 653 809
- Email acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au
- Online at www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/online
- In person at your local Medicare office, Centrelink office or Child Support Service Centre.

Please note the Lismore Medicare office has moved from the Lismore Shopping Square to 47 Conway Street, Lismore (in the Centrelink building).

It is the responsibility of parents/guardians to ensure you have provided us with the correct enrolment information for your child as soon as possible.

North Coast Area Health Nurse Visit: Preschool will be visited by our Area Health Nurse Anna Tonkin in the upcoming weeks, Anna will be performing the children’s before school assessment. Anna will be visiting on: Monday 3rd March, Tuesday 4th March, Thursday 6th March, Friday 7th March, Monday 10th March, Tuesday 11th March, Thursday 12th March and Friday 13th March. Please see Miss Mel as soon as possible to make a time for your child’s screening and receive relevant information regarding the screening. It is necessary that a parent/carer is able to make it to the assessment with your child.

These before school screenings are vital as they may detect any problems such as hearing, sight or speech that might interfere with your child’s learning.

Sick children: If your child is unwell with an infectious disease such as the cold or flu the best place for them is at home where they can recover and return to preschool when they are well. Keeping your child at home when they are unwell ensures the safety and wellbeing of every child and our staff.

Question of the month: In last week’s newsletter we asked our first question of the month – “Do you have chickens and if so would you like to take home food scraps for chickens at the end of the day?” Don’t forget to return your child’s slip including your child’s name and place it in the suggestion box in the foyer.
Throughout the beginning of the term we have been learning about ourselves and getting to know each other. We have been busy in the craft corner making ‘ourselves’. We started by looking at our faces in the mirror and talking about our different facial features, learning their names. We noticed that everybody has different coloured hair, eyes and skin and looks different. Using craft materials we created our own skin colours and made our faces. They look fantastic and just like us!

Link to learning outcome:

Outcome 1: Children are connected with and contribute to their world. The children are becoming aware of difference and similarities between each other and are reacting to these difference in positive ways.

Happy Birthday!

to

Miss Mel – 3rd March

Dates to Remember:

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Please see Miss Mel to make an appointment.