This from the Principal . . .

NORTHERN RIVERS PSSA SWIMMING
Well done to students who participated in the Northern Rivers PSSA Swimming Carnival last Thursday, 27th February at the Lismore Pool. Thank you to parents and Miss Organ for your help with transport and having the students at their races on time.

P AND C AGM
Next Monday, 10th March our P and C AGM will be held for 2014. The meeting commences at 5.30pm in the school library. All parents and community members are invited to come along and be part of the LSPS P and C.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
Last Friday all staff at LSPS completed the first module of the Online Learning Course on Autism Spectrum Disorder. Staff collaborated and discussed their learning and learnt about strategies to be implemented in classrooms. All staff will complete the next module of the course on April 1, 2014 from 3.30-6.30pm.

POSITIVE PARENTING – A VITAL COMPONENT IN EDUCATION
Every parent wants the best for their children, and that includes having great experiences at school. Despite best teaching practice things can go wrong at school. Most kids experience learning difficulties from time to time. Conflict and peer rejection can be a part of school-life. The developmental nature of childhood means that there will always be some turbulence, particularly around key transition ages, such as the start of adolescence. During these times young people frequently experience a dip in their learning as well as significant relationship difficulties. Kids will often come home from school with grievances, and call on their parents for assistance. Your approach as a parent when your child has difficulty at school makes huge difference to their resilience, and their future relationships with teachers and peers. Thank you to one of our parents for sharing the following website with me during the week. The site has lots of great ideas about helping children learn through adjusting their dietary habits – please check it out.
http://www.brainchildnutritionals.com/adhd

PARENTS WANTING TO DISCUSS THEIR CHILD
If any parent wishes to discuss any concerns or issues their child may be having at school please contact the school office to arrange an appropriate time to meet with your child’s teacher. The relationship between class teacher and parents is a vital one to seeing children achieve to their potentials and is something we are focussed on at Lismore South PS. Teachers want to know your thoughts about your child and sharing them is an important step in positive outcomes for all students.

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL
Please remember to follow all road rules when parking around the school. This includes not double parking and doing u turns in spots not suitable. Motorists should consider our students at all times, particularly at the beginning and end of day when most people are around. We thank you for your support with this manner.

Matt Hobbs  Principal  matthew.hobbs@det.nsw.edu.au
SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
Please note: PRESCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE SEPARATE.
To help provide the best possible resources to support the learning of all students within the school, a voluntary school levy or contribution is requested from parents/carers.
Whilst the Department of Education and Communities provide for the basic needs of students, extra resources such as up to date technology (including computers), reading books, art/craft supplies and sporting equipment are needed to maximise opportunities for students.
Lismore South Public School has a policy of setting the voluntary contribution at a modest level.
Parents are encouraged to pay this amount as soon as possible to supplement programs across the school. Payment by instalment is quite acceptable. A receipt will be issued.

This is an ANNUAL contribution.
Contributions for 2014 are:
- One student: $25
- Two students: $45
- Three or more students: $55

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
School photographs were taken last week. If you overlooked sending in your order, you may still order individual and class photos. Ask at the office for an envelope.

SCHOOL INFORMATION BOOKLET
If you are a new family to the school and didn’t receive an information booklet when enrolling, please ask at the office as they are now available.

RULE OF THE WEEK
“WALK ON HARD SURFACES”
To be SAFE, students are reminded to “Walk on Hard Surfaces”. Example: Walk under buildings and in toilet areas.

“WIN a SET OF 10 iPADS” FOR LISMORE SOUTH
Please cut out the tokens from the Northern Star newspaper and place in the collection boxes – Front Office, Library and Preschool.
The competition runs until Monday, 31st March.

HEADLICE (PEDICULOSIS)
Please regularly check your child’s hair for headlice and if necessary treat according to the information below:-
1. Treat with appropriate anti-lice shampoo OR electronic headlice comb as directed.
2. Treat hair as above twice at weekly intervals.
3. Treat hats, caps, bedclothes, brushes, combs etc by washing and airing.

Please continue to regularly check your child’s hair to prevent further outbreaks.

ASSEMBLIES
Parents, carers, family and friends are invited to attend our assemblies.
Whole School Assembly – Mondays, 2.30 pm
Stage 2 & 3 Assemblies – Alternate Wednesdays, 2.30 pm.
Even Weeks – (5/3)
Odd Weeks – Early Stage 1/Stage 1 (12/3)
NORTHERN RIVERS
ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL
All students who attended the Northern Rivers Zone Swimming Carnival on Thursday 27th February represented Lismore South Public School at a very high level. It was a very hot day so students took every opportunity to get wet. All students swam to the best of their ability and should be extremely proud of their efforts. LSPS students should be commended for their outstanding sportsmanship and behaviour. We are very proud of you all – Phoebe S, Tanikka K, Renee N, Natasha W, Eliza O, Kayla T, Haylie K, Jordan W, Liam S, Cody W, Isaac A, Ethan M, Bailey M, Bodhi W, Jacob S, Tavian E, Thor R, Kane F and Ryan H.

P & C NEWS
AGM CHANGE OF DATE
Please note the P & C AGM will now be held on Monday, 10th March at 5.30 pm in the library. Annual membership fee is $2 each. All positions will be declared vacant.

HASH BROWNS
The P & C has voted to remove Hash Browns from our canteen menu in keeping within the guidelines set out by the Healthy Kids Association.

COMMUNITY NEWS
Storytime at Lismore and Goonellabah Libraries
What is it?
Storytime is a program full of stories, rhymes and songs suitable for pre-school children with their parents/carers. Storytime helps develop:
- A love of books and lifelong use of libraries
- Pre-reading skills and a desire to learn to read
- Listening and language skills
- Cooperative behaviour as part of a group
- Understanding of simple concepts
- Imagination and creativity
It is also a great social network for parents and carers!
When is it on?
Storytime happens at Goonellabah Library on Tuesdays and at Lismore Library on Wednesday & Thursdays. All sessions begin at 10.30am.
Who can come?
These free sessions are open to pre-schoolers with their parent or carer. There is no need to book so just come along and give it a go.
You can contact us for more information at Lismore Library on 66212464 or Goonellabah Library on 66251235

NETBALLERS NEEDED!
Clunes Netball Club is seeking players, new and experienced for ‘Nettas’ and 12s (10, 11 & 12 years) teams. Games are played at Ballina Road courts in Lismore on Saturdays. Players also required for teenage and adult sides. For more information – Annette McGrath, President - 66291678

CANTEEN ROSTER
CANTEEN CLOSED TUESDAYS
Canteen Supervisor: Liz Weatherburn
Wednesday, 5/3 – Deanna Kumpulainen
Thursday, 6/3 – Karen Ollett
Friday, 7/3 – Tanya Brown & Marcus Bebb
Monday, 10/3– Samantha Pickford
Stage 1D has been working on a unit of work called Our Families. We have been looking at who is in our family and the roles and responsibilities each member of the family plays. It has provided us with several great opportunities to make some fantastic artworks.

**Self Portraits**
Using pencils and crayons, we drew a picture of ourselves and then decorated them with a bright and colourful background.

**Family Trees**
We drew a tree and decorated it with colourful patterns that represented each member of our family.

**Dragon Flies**

**Family Fun Day Paintings**

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*We are on the web!!!*