Stage 1D

HARD AT WORK!!!

Stage 1D have been flat out already this term. We are working on a unit of work called Celebrations and studying the story of Tikki Tikki Tembo.

In mathematics we have explored the concept of ‘hefting’ and number patterns. We enjoy using our new I-Pads for Mathletics and Reading Groups.
NEW BREAK TIMES

This term we have changed our break times. These times have been changed to comply with regulations regarding break times. The current start and finish of school remains unchanged.

Bell times:
- 9.00 am - Classes begin
- 11.00 – 11.30 am - Lunch
- 12.40 – 1.05 pm - Recess
- 2.10 – 2.30 pm - Late Break
- 3.00 pm - Home

WELCOME TO OUR NEW INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERS

We are fortunate enough to have the Department of Education and Communities (DEC) allocate Lismore South PS an Instructional Leader Literacy and Numeracy. We have two new staff members Tiffany Whitelaw and Merran Campbell who have gained the position through the merit selection process. The position will be shared between Lismore South and two other schools. These positions will last for 3 years. They will be working with teachers and students to increase outcomes for students within literacy and numeracy with a focus on Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 (K-2). They will spend their time in class rooms, meeting with teachers or they may be attending another school. Welcome to our team ladies.

MOBILE DEVICES
– SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE USE.

I ask that all students leave their mobile devices at home. This includes ipads, mobile phones, ipods and any other electronic device. The DEC has released a mobile devices policy. The Lismore South technology team is currently reviewing a school policy for our community in line with DEC guidelines. If your child requires a mobile phone for communication before or after school, the device is to be left at the office. The school will take no responsibility for any device lost, stolen or damaged that has not been left at the office. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter until we have the school policy ready. Any device not left at the office will be confiscated for a parent to collect.

NAPLAN

This week is NAPLAN. Students in years 3 and 5 will be sitting external assessments in language skills, writing, reading and numeracy on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Friday is used as a catch-up day for any student who may have been absent. The results for each grade can assist the school in addressing student learning needs and staff professional learning. Please ensure your child has a good breakfast and arrives to school well rested. Every child is expected to participate unless expressly exempted by a parent. Some students, who may have difficulty with tests or aspects of tests will receive support by having additional breaks, working in a smaller group or having additional explanation of test requirements.

Justine Coyle, Relieving Principal

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

The School Cross Country will be held on Thursday, 15th May with the backup day being the 16th May.

Students will leave school at 12.50 pm and walk to Nesbitt Park before commencing races. The order of the races is as follows: 5/6/7 year olds, 8/9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds and 12/13 year olds.

Children (8 years and older) who place 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th on the day will have the opportunity to attend the Northern Rivers Zone Carnival at Corndale on Friday 23rd May.

HEALTHY HAROLD - LIFE EDUCATION VAN

The Life Education Van will be visiting Lismore South Public School between the 20th and 26th May, 2014. We are encouraging all children to participate in the program as it supports class learning and helps develop skills needed to deal with issues that we face in society every day. Topics covered change for each year group depending on the children’s age and their needs.

All students Preschool to Year 6 were given a note last Thursday. Please return your Life Education note with payment of $9 ($8 for Preschool) by Thursday, 15th May. Please contact the school office to make alternative payment arrangements.

Classes are rostered to visit the van. Students eligible for Zone Cross Country will not miss visiting the van.
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**CANTEEN CLOSED TUESDAYS**

Relieving Canteen Supervisor:
Michelle Dwyer

**Wednesday, 14/5 – Colby Radcliffe**

**Thursday, 15/5 – Karen Ollett**

**Friday, 16/5 – Tanya Brown & Marcus Bebb**

**Monday, 19/5 – Sam Pickford**

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**Dates to Remember**

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| Wed, 14/5   | NAPLAN Uniform Store Open at Office Book Club ES1/Stage 1 Assembly | Years 3 & 5  
8.30 am – 9 am  
Orders/payment due  
School Hall 2.30 pm (Parents welcome) |
| Thurs, 15/5 | NAPLAN Life Education School Cross Country K - 6 | Years 3 & 5  
Note/payment due (or alternative arrangements)  
Nesbitt Park - Leave school 12.50 pm |
| Fri, 16/5   | Student Banking Back up Day | Collected in classrooms  
School Cross Country |
| Mon, 19/5   | Whole School Assembly P & C Meeting | 2.30 pm in School Hall (Parents welcome)  
5.30 pm in Library |

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**BEATING AROUND THE BUSH**

Included with this newsletter is a permission note. The performance will be held in the hall from **1.15 pm to 2.15 pm** on **Friday, 23rd May**. Cost $4.50. Please note: This is the same day as the Northern Rivers Cross Country at Corndale. Students are welcome to return to school (if finished race) for the show. The Life Education Van will not be operating during this time.

**BOOK CLUB**

Orders and payment (CHEQUES MADE PAYABLE TO LISMORE SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL) must be returned by Wednesday, 14th May.

**PBL MEETING**

The next PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 21st May** commencing at 3.30 pm in Mr Dixon’s classroom. All welcome.

**UNIFORM STORE**

The uniform store will be open from **8.30 am** on **Wednesday, 14th May at the office**.

**SCHOOL POLO SHIRTS HAVE ARRIVED**

The stock we have been waiting for has arrived. We now have all sizes in stock. Polo shirts are $20. If you have ordered and paid for shirts, we will send them home via your child.

Fleecy Jumpers are $17 and Zip-up Jackets are $20.

**CLEARANCE SALE**

- **Track Pants - $5** - Sizes 10, 12, 14Y & 16Y
- **Gaberdine Long Pants - $5** - Sizes 4, 6 & 8

**RULE OF THE WEEK**

**“FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS”**

To be RESPECTFUL, students are reminded to “Follow Instructions” eg At the canteen, listen to helpers and wait quietly.

**TISSUES**

It would be appreciated if parents could donate a box of tissues to their child’s class as the cold season is approaching.

**P & C NEWS**

P & C meetings will be held on the 3rd Monday of every month. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, 19th May** at 5.30 pm in the Library. All parents are welcome to attend. Issues to be discussed at the next meeting include the selection criteria of the next Principal. All input is welcome.

**CANTEEN NEWS**

Hot chocolate ($2) is available from the Canteen before school and at lunch. Hot chocolate is not available at recess.
BORROWED CLOTHING
Please return borrowed clothing (marked LSPS) to the school office as soon as possible. Our stocks of spare clothing are very low.

NORTHERN RIVERS DISCOUNT BATTERIES
Thank you to Northern Rivers Discount Batteries for supporting our school. If you need a battery, try them in Kyogle Street.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
Information Included with this newsletter.

GIRLS ROCK
Girls Rock began last Thursday with a very enthusiastic group of girls. We made beautiful cards with Mrs Hasthorpe and look forward to many more enjoyable activities in the coming weeks.

COMMUNITY NEWS
Storytime at Lismore & Goonellabah Libraries
Storytime is a program for pre-schoolers with their parent/carer which introduces the basics of early literacy in a fun, stimulating environment. Children share their Storytime experience with others of their age and learn to interact in a group setting while developing a love of books and reading.
Goonellabah Library: Tuesday
Lismore Library: Wednesday & Thursday
All sessions begin at 10.30am
Storytime involves lots of action songs, rhymes and games as well as stories and craft. Sessions are free and there is no need to book, so just come along!

For more information phone:
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 Colour your world with a fun filled family outing
Lismore's 24th Annual Gemfest

2 Full Days
Saturday 17th May, 9am–5pm
Sunday 18th May, 9am–3pm

Venue
Lismore Showground

Entry $5 per adult, $1 per child (under 5 yrs free)

Featuring
Gold, Sapphires, Jewellery, Opals
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Meteorites, Healing Crystals,
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& Lucky Gate Prizes

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