

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2014

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Week 4

Monday 27th October

Active After Schools

Friday 31st October

Our Voice Conference

Kinder Orientation

Active After Schools

Week 5

Swimming Scheme starts

Hello everybody!

We had a wonderful time at the show last week! I was so impressed with the enthusiasm, curiosity and great behaviour of all the students. We saw so much and learnt so much! Thankyou to our parent volunteers who helped with the supervision on the day and, as always, the great work of all the staff.

Parent input makes a huge difference to the quality of the education in our schools. I am really pleased to have such a high level of parent involvement at The Channon and welcome you into our school as valued members of the learning community.

A big thankyou to Lily's mum, Mrs Shepherd, for teaching the whole school Japanese this year. Mrs Shepherd is a wonderful educator with so much passion and energy for her subject. She is a star!

Until next time, Heather



Our Voice Sustainability Conference Change

Due to Kinder Orientation only students from years 2-6 will be going to this excursion. The K/1 Class has made a video of their dance that will be shown on the day.

Students from years 2-6 will be travelling by bus to Southern Cross University next Friday 31st October to attend 'Our Voice Sustainability Conference' commencing at 10am.

The school will be covering the cost of the bus so there is no cost to students. The aim of 'Our Voice' is to provide a platform for children and young people to voice their concerns and ideas relating to sustainability and the environment in regional Australia.

Our school will be doing a performance, running some science experiments and showing their video that was made earlier this year.

All students will need to be in full school uniform wear covered footwear and school hat. They will need to bring environmentally friendly packed recess, lunch and drinks.

Thankyou those who have already returned permission slips; please return notes by next Wednesday 29th October.

Science Club

Next Wednesday we will be having our next Science Club meeting at 1.20pm. All students participating need to have completed their science cards by 21st November. If you have any queries please contact Vanessa.

Giant Pumpkin Competition

We entered our pumpkin in the show last week and won a \$25.00 voucher from Norco. Thankyou to Mr Cameron for looking after our pumpkin so well.

Pat is going to give new seeds to the school later in the year so we can grow another pumpkin through the warmer months.



Leaders' Report

During this week years 4/5/6 and Albert had a go at 'Sim on a Stick' which is a computer program and Lisa the 'Sim on a Stick' expert has been visiting regularly in morning.

The 4/5/6 have been lucky enough to have the Healthy Harold teacher Miss Jess in class this week. In class we played drama games with her and have been learning about the colonial history of The Channon. We have had a great time in class this week.!

Abby , Ivy, Zachie & Ruby

2/3 CLASS THE LISMORE SHOW RECOUNTS



The Lismore Show

Do you and your family like animals? Well, if you have a spare bit of time come and pat goats, alpacas and chickens, at The Lismore Show like the Channon School kids did.

On Friday the Channon School went to the Lismore Show. My favourite part was probably the paintings, horses and circus workshops. The painting that I liked was a picture of a white horse and a brown horse that were galloping.

At the circus workshop me, Mel, Indi, Djuan and Ethjan, walked the tight wire with sticks on each side to help us balance. Me, Mel and Indi went to the hoops and did acrobatics.

Next we had lunch and watched the horses do umps, trotting and dressage. I personally think the Lismore Show is a very good and healthy event and I think you should go.

By Zara

The Lismore Show

On Friday the whole school went on an excursion to the Lismore Show.

The best thing that I liked was the Circus because there were AMAZING tricks! And the clown used big expressions. I also liked that our Atlantic pumpkin was at the farmers market, I knew it was ours because it had a smiley face on it.

The worst thing was walking around because it was SOOO tiring.

Something that I saw and I really liked was the police motor bike. It was pretty cool because I had never sat on one before. All in all I love the Lismore Show I reckon it's great because it has lots of exciting things.

By Melody



The Lismore Show

The Lismore Show is great place where parents make their kids feel good.

My favourite thing is the Hurricane, showbags and the hot chips that we had for dinner. I felt amazing on the rides. I went on the Horror Train and the Hurricane and lots more, but they are the only names I remember.

The worst thing for me was that we had to walk one lap around for each of the rides. That was a rule that Mum made.

By Audrey

STUDENT AWARDS

K/1

Ruby-

Making great progress in reading!

Milaya-

Emerson-

Showing improved listening skills!

Hunter--

Showing improved listening skills!

Tumahn-

Great contribution to class discussions!

Aslan-

Continuing his great progress in reading

Saksia-

Fitting back so well into class routines!

2/3

Audrey-

Becoming an independent reader!

Melody -

Always giving 100%!

Tajira-

Working hard with reading!

4/5/6

Ruby- excellent Power Point presentation on fairies

Rain- Excellent insights into the history of The Channon

Zac- brilliant "virtual worlds" technology work

Canteen Cleaning Day

On Tuesday the 4th November we are going to clean up the canteen. We need to remove all items from the cupboards and clean them ready for Mr Cameron paint. We also need to sort and declutter! If any families have some spare time and able to help any time from 9am it would be greatly appreciated. It would be great to see our canteen operational before the end of the year.



WE HAD SO MUCH FUN AT THE LISMORE SHOW!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to
Albert, Zachie & Abby



At The Goanna Bakery

Saturday 8th November, 7pm

Come along and enjoy Southern Sudanese food - a rare chance to eat Dinka dishes prepared with love by Monica Matoc and friends.

Monica and her seven children came to Lismore ten years ago after years fleeing violence and war in South Sudan. Last Christmas

Monica went back to her village to visit her dying mother and was caught in another horrendous civil war that saw men from her family killed while she was there. Monica took their three widows, their 21 children, with 3 orphans to the Kakuma refugee camp in Kenya. They are battling to survive there, and concerned friends of Monica have founded the Monica Matoc Support Association to raise funds to keep those families in rough shelters, buy charcoal and food, and contribute to the ongoing costs of keeping them alive in the overcrowded camp. Recently floods destroyed all of the family's

shelters, and this dinner is a fundraiser to

support them to rebuild.

Rebecca, her four children,

and three orphans in her care

Nyanachiek and her nine

children

Rachael, her seven children Tickets \$ 25.00 from Goanna Bakery. Lismore

Call Ollie Heathwood on 0428 284 030 for more information

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



2014-2015 Family Energy Rebate

Apply before Midnight
16 June 2015



\$150*
TOWARDS
ENERGY
BILLS

2 MINUTES TO FILL IN A FORM
<https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/>
* eligibility criteria apply

**APPLY
ONLINE
NOW!**

WHAT IS THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?

The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the cost of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2014-2015 the rebate gives:

- A \$150 credit on electricity bills for eligible applicants who hold an account with an electricity retailer
- A \$165 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a residential community (caravan or mobile home park) and receive electricity from the park operator.

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE REBATE?

To be eligible you MUST:

- Be a NSW resident; and
- Have been assessed by the Federal Department of Human Services (DHS) as being eligible for the Family Tax Benefit (FTB) A or B at any time during the 2013-2014 financial year, and have received an FTB payment in respect of that eligibility; and
- Be an account holder of an electricity retailer, or a long-term resident of a residential community (caravan or mobile home park), whose name appears on the electricity account for supply to her or his principal place of residence.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO BEFORE I APPLY?

Before you apply, here's a quick checklist. Have you:

- Lodged your tax return for 2013-14 with the Australian Taxation Office or informed the Department of Human Services (DHS) if you are not required to lodge a tax return?
- Received confirmation from DHS as to your eligibility for Family Tax Benefit A or B for 2013-2014?

HOW TO APPLY

- **ONLINE** – it takes just two minutes to submit an application. Processing starts immediately.
- **PAPER** – download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post. Use this form if you receive your electricity from the operator of the residential community where you live.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

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