

FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER, 2015.

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From The Principal

On Tuesday, Bronwyn McNulty and Simon Webster hosted a luncheon for the Melbourne Cup. Although they only had a small number of community members and parents in attendance it didn't stop them from have a great time and as a result they raised \$251 for the school P&C. I would like to thank Bronwyn and Simon for hosting the event as well as all who contributed donations.

This week I had a meeting with the Welfare, Health and Safety Consultant. One task that we have been attempting at our school is to tidy up each room in the school to reduce hazards. Alexis was very happy with our school buildings and playground. We also completed the Emergency Management Plan and the Bushfire Emergency Evacuation Plan. Today I worked with the students in years 3/6 and got them to write Fire Safety plans for their homes. Please take the time over the weekend to review your plans as we move into the warmer months.

I have also had confirmation that the student and staff toilet blocks will be upgraded in the coming months, probably over the holiday period to reduce disruption to the school. A toilet pan in the boys toilet will be replaced. They will remove the existing hand basins in each toilet block, supply and install new white porcelain wall hung basins, supply and install three new Enware Pillar taps to each new hand basin, supply and install new chrome traps to the hand basins, and supply and install new white tile splash backs above each new hand basin. Finally, they will prepare and paint walls that are affected by the removal of sinks and toilet systems. All painting will match existing paint work. We have been waiting for quite some time for these upgrades so I'm sure that the improvements to these facilities will benefit the students at our wonderful school.

I hope that the students attending the Lake Ainsworth excursion next week have a wonderful time. The students will be kept very busy with the activities. I hope that the weather is fine for the week to ensure the activities can be completed. I know that there are a few parents that are happy to carpool the students across, so please communicate this with each other over the weekend. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate in phoning me on my mobile over the weekend.

Any students not attending the excursion, along with the year three students will be provided with class work over the week.

Stephen Manser
Principal

Lake Ainsworth Excursion

Parents need to transport their child/ren to and from this camp. They will need to arrive at Lake Ainsworth at 11am on Monday, 9 November, 2015, and be picked up by 1pm on Friday, 13 November 2015. A copy of 'what to bring' and directions via Corndale Road is attached to this newsletter.

Any medication must be clearly labelled with instructions and given to Mrs Shipard on arrival at the camp. Mrs Shipard and JJ Bruce will be accompanying the students on this excursion. Please discuss transport options with each other over the weekend to save a large amount of cars travelling over on Monday and Friday.

All other students not attending this excursion will have school as normal for this week.

The Rivers Public Speaking Grand Final

A huge congratulations to Miriam for being runner-up in the Stage 3 Rivers Public Speaking Grand Final which was held at the Lismore City Hall this week. What a fantastic achievement Miriam we are very proud of you!

Remembrance Day

Next Wednesday, 11 November, 2015 we will be holding a special service to mark Remembrance Day here at school.



Remembrance Day

11th November at 11am

*They shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.*

At the going down of the sun,

And in the morning

We will remember them

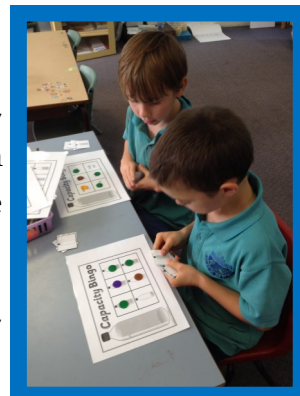
Lest we forget



From Mrs Cantrell

This week in Maths we have been learning about number patterns, such as what would come next after 2, 4, 6, 8, _ ? We have been practising our tables every day and we are getting pretty good! We are also learning about using adjectives to write descriptions.

In Personal Development we are talking about 'yes' and 'no' feelings, such as how we feel on our birthdays, or if a storm is coming.



'We are playing Volume and Capacity' bingo.'

Family Bake Sale

The canteen at our school has been given the approval to run again. The canteen required some upgrades to be made as of late last year. We would like to see the canteen up and running again, but to date we haven't had many parents really interested in starting canteen again due to work/life commitments.

The canteen was discussed at the last P&C meeting and we thought that a family bake sale may be a means to utilise these facilities. We would like to provide each family with the opportunity to make/ bake an item with their children at home. We ask that these items be served from a plate or dish. If the item required refrigeration, then the canteen facilities would be available. If you needed to prepare any of the food at school prior to sale, the canteen would be available. These items could include muffins, cookies, cupcakes, pikelets, slice, tarts, fruit slices/salad, baked veges etc.

The initiative is to raise money for the P&C to be put towards the students. Each family would have a stall to sell their items for either 20 cents, 50 cents or \$1. Each family should bring along a container or money tin to collect money. The school will provide each family with a float to help get them started. Each student would be provided with time away from their stall to walk around and purchase food to either eat at recess, or to take home. To help our environment, we ask that you send your child/ren to school with a container to place the food that they have purchased into, rather than us providing plastic plates and gladwrap to each student.

We don't expect each student to buy an item from every single family, as the cost would be far too much, so we ask that each family only prepare enough food for about 15 to 20 students. We also encourage parents and community members to come along and join us for the morning tea or purchase items to take home. Our pre-school students will be here for kinder orientation.

It is not compulsory for each family to bring along food. This is a fun event to raise money for the school. If you have any questions about the Family Bake Sale, please contact the school.

When: Friday, 20 November (week 7)

Where: Under the COLA at school

Time: 10:45am set up for 11am start

How Much Food: Enough for about 15 to 20 people (any excess food will be returned home with the family)

Leaders Report

This week's been very busy. We have planted corn and sunflower seeds in the maze. They are already sprouting!

Ayla and Miriam helped Mr Manser move all our good sports equipment into the new sports shed on Monday and it has been great having an organised space for students to access.

On Wednesday the 3/4/5/6 class went to the Lismore City Hall to watch the Public Speaking Grand Final and watch Miriam's speech on the topic of My Biggest Concern for the Future is... Miriam came runner up in the Rivers, Public Speaking, Stage 3 contest. Last week on Wednesday Miriam, Talia, Malaika and Lily went to Sydney overnight on a bus and performed in the Sydney Opera House on Thursday evening. They came back on Saturday morning. What a great experience it was for all of them

Dennis came in on Friday to work with the Year 6 students on an art project. He will be coming in to work with them most Friday's and we hope the artwork they have in the end will be a wonderful artwork that the school can keep with pride!

Have a great weekend and we hope to see you at The Channon Markets.

Miriam and Talia

Emergency Planning and Arrangements During the Bushfire Season

The Channon Public School is identified as being in a bushfire prone area. As part of our School Emergency Action Plan, in the event of a school closure we need to be able to contact all school parents and carers. This is very important that your details are up to date in the event of an emergency. Please fill in the note attached to this newsletter and return to school by Wednesday, 18 November, 2015.

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Week 6

Monday 9 November

Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Tuesday 10 November

Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Wednesday 11 November

Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Remembrance Day

Thursday 12 November

Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Friday 13 November

Kindergarten 2016 Orientation

Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Week 7

Monday 16 November

Kindergarten 2016 Orientation

Wednesday 18 November

P&C Meeting at 3:30

Friday 20 November

Kindergarten 2016 Orientation

Bake Sale Day

Happy Birthday

Raphael

9.11.15

Miriam

12.11.15

Bodhi

14.11.05

