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## From The Principal

This week the students in year 4, 5 and 6 participated in their Lake Ainsworth Excursion. We look forward to hearing about the activities that they attempted as well as a few funny stories when they return to start a new school week. I know that the students would have behaved themselves and represented our school in a responsible manner. Thank you again to Mrs Shipard and JJ Bruce for accompanying the students on the excursion. Excursions are always very tiring with the days being long and little down-time at nights, so once again thank you.

This week has also been a busy week for those students at school. Mrs Cantrell has taken on many extra roles and responsibilities this week, including taking the extra students from the older grades, completing another Kinder Orientation, holding a Remembrance Day Ceremony and supervising the students through extra duties in the playground in the mornings and afternoons as well as mentoring a practicum student. Thank you, Mrs Cantrell, for taking on these tasks and making the week as smooth as possible for the students and staff. Mrs Cantrell and the students were supported by Miss Eleftheriou and Rena on various occasions throughout the week, and of course Mrs Luce ensured the administrative tasks were kept up to date, so thank you to those staff members as well.

Today marked the final practicum day for Miss Emily Wilson. I would like to wish Emily all the best in the future as she continues her teaching studies and thank her for working with the K/1/2 class for the six weeks. I know that Miss Wilson taught the students a lot in the lessons that she presented, but I know that Miss Wilson would have learnt a lot as well from the experience.

Next week we will return to normal timetabling. We will continue to assess the students across the Key Learning Areas, especially over the next two weeks. These assessment results, along with the results from work completed throughout the semester will go towards the semester two reports.

I would like to remind parents and citizens that a P&C meeting will be held this Wednesday from 3:30pm. I encourage you to attend.

Finally, a reminder that we will be holding a Family Bake Sale on Friday, 20 November, 2015 at the school. This is a fundraiser for the P&C, with proceeds eventually going back to the students.

Each child only needs about 2 or 3 dollars which would buy them a nice morning tea. An extra few dollars and their lunch box would also provide parents and siblings with a few treats that afternoon.

My week was very busy with Piper, but I enjoyed being able to spend quality time with her. Naomi came out of hospital after her round seven chemo and I was able to support her at the Leukaemia Village. I will take her back into hospital on Sunday evening for her to commence round eight.

I hope everyone has a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

**Stephen Manser**  
Principal

## Kinder Orientation

We will not be having Kinder Orientation next Monday, 16 November, as this was swapped to next Friday. This will give the pre-school students the opportunity to participate in the bake sale. Classes and timetabling will be normal on Monday. We apologise for any inconvenience.

This means that our next Kinder Orientation will be Friday, 20 November, from 9am until 3pm. The students will be able to contribute to the bake sale if they choose to, as well as purchase items from the Family Bake sale at Recess. Items will cost from 20c, 50c or \$1.00 or alternatively send recess and lunch with your child.

The final Kindy Orientation will be held on Monday, 14 December, 2015, from 9am until 3pm. Please return by this date your application notice for Best Start which will be conducted on Thursday, 28 January, 2016. If you have not selected a time for the Best Start assessment, please see Mrs Cantrell. If you have any other queries please contact Mr Manser or Mrs Cantrell at school on 66886236.

## Year 7 Orientation 2016

Richmond River High School will be holding two Orientation Days for students commencing Year 7 in 2016. These dates are Thursday, 26 November and Thursday, 3 December, 2015.

On Thursday, 26 November, the students will be able to participate in a variety of sports and get involved in the musical culture of the school.

At their second Orientation on Thursday, 3 December, the students will attend lessons throughout the day to model what high school is like. A Parents Matter Session will run in the morning on this day.

The students will need to take along recess and a water bottle. A barbeque lunch will be provided on both days. Please take lunch if you do not want to eat the food provided at the barbecue.

The students will need to wear covered footwear and a school hat as the school has a no hat, no play policy.

The students will be able to purchase book packs when they attend the second orientation day. Please contact the school to find out prices.

The students need to arrive at school by 9am and be collected by 3.15pm. Letters have gone home to parents of students from Richmond River High school. We will attach the Orientation letter to next week's newsletter. If you have any queries you can contact Richmond River High School on 66213456.

## From Mrs Cantrell

We will be very sorry to say goodbye to Miss Emily Wilson who has been doing her 2nd Year Practicum with the K/1/2 Class. Miss Wilson has been working very hard and has delivered some great lessons.

She has been a very calm and patient addition to the classroom and we will all miss her very much.

Thanks for doing such a great job, Miss Wilson, and we wish you all the best as you continue learning to be a great teacher. Please come back and visit us when you can.



**We are learning about 2D shapes with Miss Wilson**

### **TERM 4 2015**

#### **Week 7**

##### **Wednesday 18 November**

P&C Meeting at 3:30

##### **Friday 20 November**

Kindergarten 2016 Orientation

Bake Sale Day

#### **Week 8**

##### **Thursday 26 November**

Year 7 Orientation Day  
at Richmond River High School

## **Headlice**

Head lice occurs in most schools each and every year and we are finding the students are coming to The Channon Public School with head lice. Head lice cannot be treated at school and students who have head lice will not be excluded in any way. Head lice was a topic of discussion at the last P&C meeting. The P&C encourage all families to look through their child/ren/'s hair and treat at home. Mr Manser will notify parents of students that come to school with head lice, but it is the parent's decision on whether they choose to treat it. Head lice is easily spread, including back to students who have had their hair treated.



## **REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY**

**On Wednesday we held a very special Ceremony to mark Remembrance Day.**





## AT KINDER ORIENTATION TODAY IN K/1/2 CLASS



In Library today we learnt about echidna's.  
Here we are with our echidna's that we made.



We did activities from 'Where the Wild Things Are'. Here are our masks that we made.



What a bunch of wild things !

Here we are with Miss Wilson. We have really enjoyed her time with us and all the fun things we did.  
Thankyou Miss Wilson!

## **Family Bake Sale – next Friday, 20 November, 2015.**

The P&C and school staff would like to provide each family with the opportunity to make/bake an item with their children at home to be brought to school and sold. We ask that these items be served from a plate or dish. If the item requires refrigeration, the canteen facilities and fridge would be available from Friday morning. If you need to prepare any of the food at school prior to sale, the canteen would be available, unless many families require the facilities.

The food items could include muffins, cookies, cupcakes, pikelets, slice, tarts, fruit slices/salad, baked veges etc. They don't need to specifically be baked items.

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.

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)