

FRIDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2015

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From the Principal

Well, here we are at the end of week 2!! It's already started...the year is beginning to accelerate and there's so much to be done!

We had a really great day on Thursday. We were lucky enough to have a visit from a group of Chinese students and some of their parents. They are visiting from China and staying on Rod and Linda Starr's property on Terania Creek Road. The Starr's son, Tao, came to The Channon School when my children were here. It was so great to watch how unimportant the language barrier was. The Chinese students mixed in beautifully with our kids. There was lots of laughter and high fives. They taught us calligraphy, and gave each one of our students a beautiful calligraphy brush. They got to do Circus and a very funny 'Egg Drop Challenge'. Thanks to Lily Shepherd for donating some of her fabulous free range eggs and thanks to Mrs Shipard and Miss Rena for helping provide a really beaut day. We even managed to learn a few words of Chinese. They will be giving us their emails so that our students can write to their new Chinese friends.

Everyone has settled into their school routine, (well, as routine as the average school day ever is) and is getting on with the job of learning, socialising and having fun. The new Kindies are a lovely little bunch of kids and are busy making friends and finding their place in the scheme of things.

Please make sure you check your child's bag for the newsletter each week, as this is one of the main ways the school communicates with our families. Every newsletter contains information that we need you to know, as well as permission slips and other important documents. Try to rescue them before they get too soggy!

Cheers

Diana Cantrell
Relieving Principal

First P&C meeting of the year

**We encourage all parents and carers to become
involved in the P&C association.**

The first meeting of the year is at the school this coming

**Wednesday, 11th Feb at 3.30 pm. Meetings go for an hour and are a great
way to have a say in the future direction of the school.**

Please come along and support the P&C.

We would particularly love to see parents of new children in the school.

THE CHANNON P&C

Dunoon PSSA Swimming Carnival

Next Friday the 13th February students that are turning 8 this year and over are able to participate in the Dunoon PSSA Swimming Carnival to be held at the Alstonville Pool. A program is attached to this newsletter. All other students will remain at school with Mrs Cantrell.

Parents please note the cost is \$3.50 per person entry into the pool. Students need to be there by 9.45am for a 10am start. Transport will be by private car.

All students participating need to wear swimmers and sunscreen, rash shirt and goggles are advisable. They will need a change of clothes and towel. There will be a canteen on the day or they will need to bring a water bottle, recess and lunch. Notes went home last week.

Voluntary Contribution

This year the cost for this is \$30 single student or \$45.00 per family. These funds are used to help buy text books, pens, pencils and other stationery items for your children.

Buddhism

Next week the school will soon resume hosting a Buddhist Special Religious Education class taught by Peta Wright.

From Peta:

The topics covered in the class will vary each week and will include subjects such as meditation, mindfulness, responsibility, acceptance, respect, generosity, patience, gratitude and kindness that are taught as part of Buddhist Education. This is done in a supportive and caring environment. New students have been issued with a note today attached to this newsletter. If you would like your child/ren to participate please return permission slip by next Wednesday.

School Uniforms

Today we have placed an order for the Year 6 shirts which should arrive within 3 weeks. They will be sold for \$20.00 each. Our school shirts are available at a cost of \$15.00 each and our broad brimmed hats are sold for \$8.00 each. We still have limited small sizes in the bucket hats at a cost of \$4.00 each. School jackets cost \$25.00 each. Please enquire at the office if you would like to purchase any items.

Year 6 Leaders Report

This week the school welcomed Chinese visitors. We did a lot of fun activities! We also started Edventure Time this week. Next week we will have the Swimming Carnival.

Izaiah, Raphael, Mitchell, Talia Ayla-Ma & Miriam

2/3 CLASS

Every morning when we eat our sip and crunch, we share our class serial. Our first text for this year is 'Treasure Island' by Robert Louis Stevenson. After reading a chapter or two, we answer a 'RESPONSE TO TEXT' question. We have a maximum of ten minutes to write, and then we share our written predictions/observations/emotional responses with the rest of the class. This is a new daily task for this class.



"Where is the key to the treasure chest?" (From the point of view of the character Jim Hawkins.) I think the key is around his neck on a little silver chain that glitters in the candlelight.

Milly

I think the key is in a box or an underwater cave.

Milaya

I think he keeps it in his mouth.



Beanie.

I think the Captain keeps the key in his pocket so no-one knows where it is. So we have to find the key!

Jazmin



STUDENT AWARDS

K/1

May-

For settling into school so well!

Bella-

For settling into school so well!

Eloise-

For settling into school so well!

Pania-

For settling into school so well!

Maude-

For settling into school so well!

Jet-

For settling into school so well!

2/3

Beanie-

Beating the "Response to Text" Monster!

Lillyana-

Beating the "Response to Text" Monster!

Ethan-

Showing great maturity in class!

Audrey-

Showing great maturity in class!

4/5/6

Mitchell-

Welcome to The Channon Public School!

Raphael-

Exceptional Leadership skills shown to visiting students!

Albie-

For conscientious effort shown in his homework!

Adventure Items Needed

If anyone has any clean recyclable items (no sharp edges or glass) or broken household appliances that do not hold electrical charge that they could bring in it would be appreciated.

We also require large cardboard boxes which will be used in our Adventure lessons. Thankyou.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to

Zara



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Week 3

Wednesday 11th February

P&C Meeting 3.30pm

Friday 13th February

Dunoon PSSA Swimming

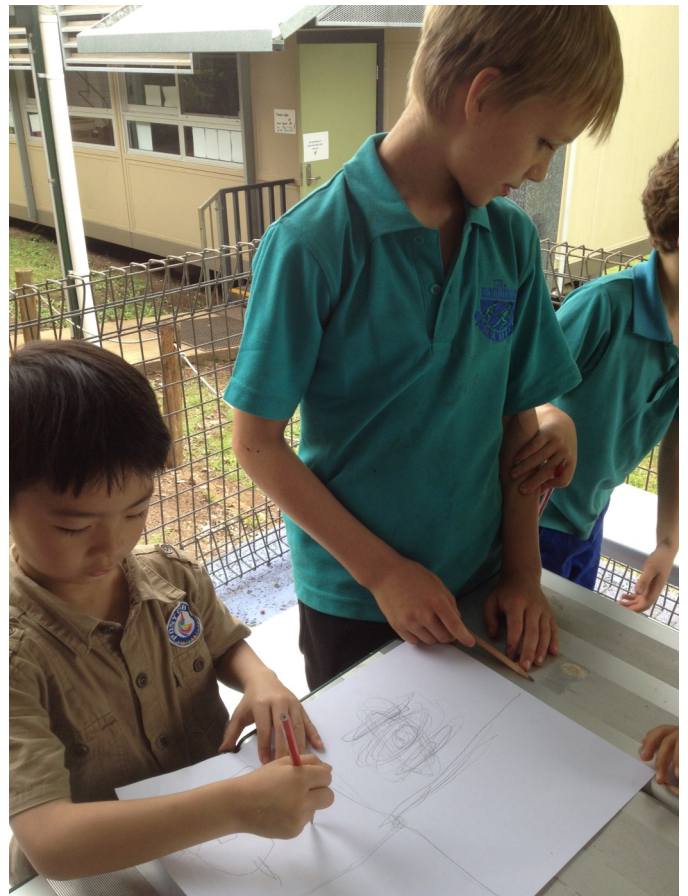
Week 4

Monday 16th February

Cricket Selection Trials-Goonellabah RSL Sports Club
Cricket Nets

Yesterday we welcomed our visiting students and teachers from China.

Here we are learning how to do calligraphy! We really enjoyed this task!



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dunoon United Football

Information sessions

Saturday 7th February 10am-2pm

Wednesday 11th February 4pm-6pm

Saturday 14th February 10am-12noon

Contact Rob Gatt 0428884222

MARIST BROTHERS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE
SIGN ON Saturday 7/2/2015 and 14/2/2015 10.00am – 1.00pm and
Thursday 19/2/2015 4.00pm – 6.00pm
At Crozier Oval Lismore – next to Oakes Oval
New players please bring original birth certificate.
Online re-registration for existing players.
Fees \$115 includes shorts, socks and a polo shirt
Contact Jason Drew 0401 321 289



FREE



Circle of Security

Parents of young children (0-7 years) are invited to join our free four-week program that will help you:

- learn how to recognise your child's needs and better understand their behaviour
- be supported as a parent and gain ideas on how to make parenting easier
- begin to understand your own reactions to your children

The program increases awareness of children's needs and develops an understanding of how our responses can meet those needs.

Thursdays, 10:00am to 1:00pm

12 March – 2 April 2015

**Venue: Interrelate
5 Market Street, Lismore NSW 2480**

Facilitated by Monique Rutherford - Child & Family Psychotherapist.

For information and to reserve a place, call Belinda Keech at Interrelate:

phone: 6623 2750 | mobile: 0475 817 383
email: belinda.keech@interrelate.org.au

The Circle of Security is an internationally recognised parenting program, designed to strengthen and build secure parent-child attachment. Decades of university-based research has confirmed that secure children show increased empathy, greater self-esteem, better relationships with parents and peers, enhanced school readiness and an increased capacity to cope with challenging situations.

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ENGAGING ADOLESCENTS

2 Part Parenting Course

Learn the skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems

Part 1: Saturday 6 December | Part 2: Saturday 13 December 2014
8:30am-12:00pm | Mullumbimby High School, 9 Jubilee Avenue, Mullumbimby NSW 2482

Learn

- ✓ Some common ground shared by parents & reasonable expectations to hold about teenagers.
- ✓ New understandings of adolescent brain development
- ✓ A handy flow chart for decision-making.
- ✓ Building relationship with your teenager - and making the best of your non-crisis conversations with them.
- ✓ Skills for tough conversations for handling those problems you just can't ignore.

*****SPACES ARE LIMITED. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL*****

Suitable for:
For parents of upper primary or junior secondary students

What you need to know:
Registrants will be invited to participate in a series of short surveys as part of research being conducted by The University of Southern Queensland. It is hoped that this research will help support the efficacy of the Engaging Adolescents program, and facilitate it being made available to more parents in our community.

Cost (Part 1 & Part 2 inclusive):
\$59 per person OR \$99.00 for 2 people*

*Parents who attend both sessions and participate in the research study by completing a series of short surveys may be eligible for a rebate on registration costs. Medicare rebates may also apply. Visit our website for further information.

Presented by:
Psychologists, Michael Hawton, MARS & Peter Chown, MARS in conjunction with The University of Southern Queensland. See website for more information about the presenters.



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