

FRIDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2015

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## From the Principal

Recently I was sitting on the veranda with my husband and I felt a distinct coolness in the air. Considering Autumn is around the corner, I suppose this isn't surprising. It won't be long before we're thinking about digging up school uniform coats and warmer pants, while I'll soon be joyfully pulling on my trusty boots. I am getting very tired of wet toes! If you need to buy a school jacket, or any other item of school clothing, please see Mrs Luce. Also, we have a HUGE amount of lost property! It's a wonder some kids aren't coming to school wearing a barrel. So please feel free to come and forage.

Many of our students are forgetting to bring their hats, or simply don't possess one. This means they can't play in the sunshine, but have to stay 'under the mango tree'. This means they miss out on running around with their mates. Please check that your child has a hat as they head off to school.

While the majority of our students get to school well before bell time, some of them are coming late quite frequently. I know it can be hard sometimes to get to school on time, but recently someone made a very good point to me about the importance of getting to school before the bell. One reason is that it's at morning assembly that we remind the kids about what's coming up, but also it's an important social time for them. It's the time when plans are made for what games are going to be played during recess and lunch, friendship groups form and change, and they can let off steam before beginning the business of learning.

Very important!! If there is any change to your child's routine in terms of being dropped off or picked up please let Mrs Luce know. If we don't hear from you, we will follow your child's usual routine. We simply cannot allow a child to leave the school in the company of someone about whom we haven't been informed. This is because we take our 'Duty of Care' very seriously.

We'll soon be changing our clocks, so I thought I'd share a little saying with you that always helps me remember whether to put the clock forward or back.

"Spring forward, Fall back." I know Fall is the American term for Autumn, but it's still a handy little phrase, don't you think?

Cheers

Diana Cantrell  
Relieving Principal

## STUDENT AWARDS

K/1

May-

For doing such beautiful art!

Eloise-

For doing wonderful spelling on the i-Pad!

Jett-

For doing great work in Maths!

2/3

Aslan-

Independent Reader!

Saskia-

Independent Reader!

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Citizenship Award!

4/5/6

Malaika-

Consistent effort & self-regulation in Numeracy!

Lily-

Consistent effort & self-regulation in Numeracy!

Kurt-

Completing homework!

Bodhi Mackenzie-

Working wonderfully in Groups!

## Zone Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all our students who competed in the Dunoon PSSA Swimming Carnival last week. We are very proud of your achievements!

A special congratulations to Zara who is the runner-up Junior Girls Champion and will be representing our school together with Ayla-Mae and Izaiah at the Zone Swimming Carnival next Thursday 26th February at the Lismore Pool. We wish them all the best!

*Good Luck!*



## Happy Birthday!

Tahlo

18.02.15

Audrey

21.02.15



## Lismore Recycling and Recovery Centre Day

Students in Years 4/5/6 will travel to the Lismore Recycling and Recovery Centre on 18th March in Lismore to demonstrate to teachers how to do water testing and also show the video made for 'Our Voices' Conference. Dorroughby Environmental Education Centre will be covering the cost for the bus so there is no charge to students. Please fill in the permission note attached to this newsletter and return to school by next Friday the 9th March 2015.

## This Week in the 4/5/6 Class

We have been working non-stop! In literacy we have been co-operating and creating a radio play about different bushrangers. Mitchell, Djuan and Bodhi went to Modanville to try out for the Dunoon PSSA Cricket Team. Djuan was selected in the team and they played Bexhill School yesterday at Bexhill. Miriam, Malaika and Lily went to Aladdin rehearsals in Lismore which they have committed to for the next 3 months. Well done cricketers and theatre kids. In numeracy we have been working on open ended questions and our multiplications. Our class is working well together and even finding time to sing a song and play a few games.

## Ms Rena

### **4/5/6 Teacher**



## Leaders Report

This week has gone so quickly. In the 4/5/6 class we have been learning a song with Rena called 'Poor Ned'. The song is about Ned Kelly's story. We learned the song because we are studying bushrangers and we performed it in today's Assembly. It is an awesome song!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO TAHLO AND AUDREY.

And a special request was made for the leaders report

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CLAY PAWSON

On Thursday Chedy White came in and some students got to do some narrating with his great electronic devices. The whole school did some art and some science. We also got some new sand for the sand pit.

## **Talia & Mitchell**

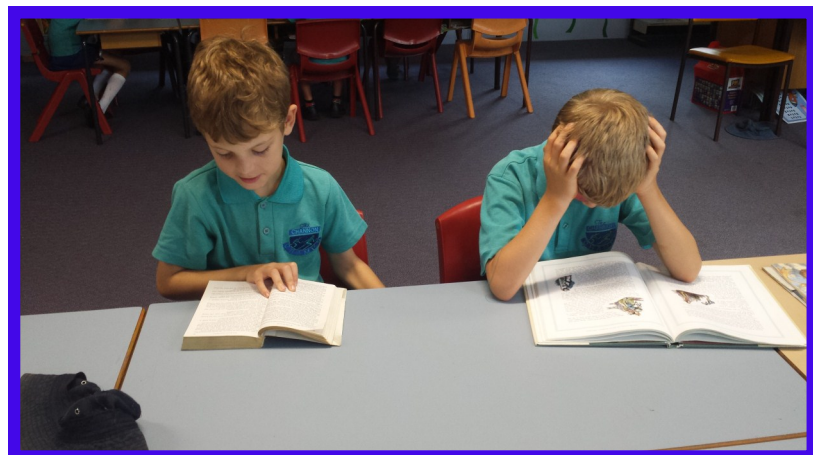


## Grade 2/3

### D.E.A.R.

(Drop everything and read)

Our first ten minutes every day is dedicated to quiet reading, on your own or with a friend. This allows children to spend time with a book of their choice, and has created a good routine so that we are ready to settle straight into the school day.





## Woody Long legs K/1 Art

K/1 are taking part in an unit called 'Creature Features'. Last week we created a group spider sculpture, and named him Woody Long Legs.

This week we posed and photographed him. The edited shots will be collated into a class book.



## TERM 1 2015

### Week 5

#### **Thursday 26th February**

Zone Swimming Carnival

### Week 7

#### **Friday 13th March**

Stage 3 Science Day Tunttable Creek School

### Week 8

#### **Wednesday 18th March**

Lismore Recycling and Recovery Centre Day Years 4/5/6

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Fish of Vision**

Looking for something to do  
locally after school?

Explore some art skills,  
new talent and have fun with a  
rewarding piece of art  
to take home.

Materials supplied.

For more information, call  
Yeleana on 0431 411 241

## **Freedom Ride 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Invitation**

At Cabbage Tree Island Public School

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015

11.00am to 1.00pm



Come along and be part  
of the celebrations &  
sharing of stories and  
enjoy the performances  
by our students.

*Sharing stories*

**BBQ**

*Performances*

Transport is available for Community Members from Ballina to attend this Special Anniversary Event.  
**Community Transport Bus will pick up at the following places and times:** K-Mart Bus Stop at 10am, Bunjum  
Office at 10:10am; Ballina Aboriginal Child & Family Centre at 10:20am and Leave C.T.I. School at 1pm for  
return trip. Contact Tammy or Tania at Bunjum Office on phoning 66865644 by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm.

Cabbage Tree Island Public School in collaboration with Bunjum Co-operative