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## From the Principal

Another busy week has flown by and next week is shaping up to be just as busy. This week our students took part in two very interesting activities. Our Year 6 students attended the Grip Leadership Conference at Coolangatta and the rest of the school went to the Sticks and Stones production at Tullera Hall. Well done to all those students whose wonderful behaviour was a credit to our school.

Next week the Year 3 and 5 students will take part in the Naplan. The assessments will take place over three days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The results of the Naplan will give us valuable data by showing us the areas where our students' strengths lie and areas that we need to focus on. We only expect our students to do their best and not get too worried about what is mainly a snapshot for the teachers.

Mr Manser's wife has been unwell and he has had to take time away from the school to support and care for her. Mr Manser is still managing the school and is in constant contact with the staff. As you know, we at The Channon Public School firmly believe that family comes first and I'm sure you will all join the staff here in wishing Naomi a speedy recovery.

Diana Cantrell  
Acting Principal

### TERM 2 2015

#### **Week 4**

##### **Tuesday 12th May**

NAPLAN —Language Conventions Years 3 & 5

NAPLAN—Writing Year 3 & 5

##### **Wednesday 13th May**

NAPLAN Reading—Year 3 & 5

##### **Thursday 14th May**

NAPLAN Numeracy—Year 3 & 5



**Wishing all of our  
mothers and grandmothers a  
very happy Mother's Day  
this Sunday, 10th May.**

## **4/5/6 Class Expeditions**

### **Farming Is Awesome**

Do you really think farming is not good? If you do you are so wrong.

When you have a farm you can have big gardens and you can grow more fruit and veggies. You can also raise a lot of animals. You can have family pets. On a farm you sometimes have a dam or a creek. On a farm you have a lot of room so you can ride motorbikes or just play in all the space. You can eat the food that you raise or grow. That's why I think farming is awesome.

**By Bodhi**

### **Fishing Is A Great Sport**

Why would anyone not want to go fishing? Rods, reels, hooks and sinkers. It doesn't matter if you're using a hook on some line on your nearest jetty or if you're out at sea on a fishing boat trying to catch a marlin or dolphin fish.

Fishing has been around for centuries and has developed over all of these years. It has developed from line and a hook on a stick to special rods and reels for each type of fish. There are all different lures from five dollars to five hundred dollars.

Fishing is for all ages from 6 to 90 and is a great sport. The sport fishing is for all types of people. Fishing can be all fun or all competition and all for the money.

Fishing has been around for ages. It is for all ages. It is a great sport.

**By Mitchell**

### **Is Graffiti art or vandalism**

Graffiti is obviously vandalism, because everyone who built the poles, buildings, and everything else, that you can think of, would have graffiti on it. The builders would be very disappointed about that.

People even do graffiti, on those poor elephants! That is extremely cruel! I have good proof of the elephant, which had graffiti on it, because I saw it with my own eyes.

Another reason why graffiti is vandalism is because it is just a whole bunch of scribbles. The 3rd reason why is because graffiti is just ruining all the hard work the builders put into it! I think graffiti is vandalism because of all of those reasons! I think you should NEVER grow up to be a graffiti person

**By Indi**

### **Public transport is a winner!**

I don't see why you wouldn't want to use public transport.

Why not? It's such an easy way to get around and you get to your stop much quicker but when you go in a car most of the time you have to sit in traffic, oh and it's much more interesting than always looking at the car in front of you.

I strongly believe that we should start convincing heaps more people to use public transport because it encourages more people to pay less money for petrol and to buy a car sometimes it cost 100's and 100's of dollars but with trains it only costs 50 to 100 dollars .

So what I am trying to say is that public transport has to be out there more but I'm not saying stop using cars just try and use public transport a bit more.

**By: Melody**

## 4/5/6 Class Expeditions

### Graffiti-is it art or vandalism?

I strongly believe that graffiti is definitely vandalism because most of it is just names and it can offend people. Most of it is in the wrong place like on public toilets, on shops, statues, peoples private property and even poor little animals, which makes people angry and makes people ugly and dirty. Sometimes it can be good like real art but mostly it is just vandalism. Do you think graffiti or art? I personally think it is vandalism and here are my reasons why!

Firstly, most graffiti is just names, in the wrong place and it is illegal, some of it can even offend people! So why would people want to do it? Graffiti is usually just names and not very pretty. Most of the time it is in the wrong place. People set up places that you can do graffiti. So why don't they just do it there? When people do graffiti on the street the police get angry because it is illegal.

Sometimes graffiti can look good like pictures of people and landscapes on the street but most of the time it is people spray painting there name which is vandalism. There was a street artist called Banksy and he did some cool but strange paintings though even he sprayed his name sometimes.

Spray paint is made of bad chemicals that pollute the earth such as Acetone, Liquefied Petroleum Gas, Xylene, n-Butyl Acetate, Methyl Ethyl Ketone, Propylene Glycol Monobutyl Ether, Ethylbenzene, Magnesium Silicate, and Carbon Black. Spray paint (also called aerosol paint) is a type of paint that comes in a sealed, pressurised container and it comes out in a fine spray of mist when pressing a button. Aerosol paint leaves a smooth, evenly coated surface, unlike many rolled or brushed paints. The spray paint can has a little, round, metal ball in it that mixes up the paint before use.

In conclusion, I think that spray painting should be stopped because it is bad for the earth; most of it is just names and it is usually in the wrong place. So I hope that you take my advice and stop wrecking our world (not saying you're a spray painter)(or are you?!!!!!!)

**By Malaika**

### Racism is cruel to others

Why are people racist? I strongly believe that people are racist because they don't know how to accept other people's differences.

First of all. If you are racist it means you don't accept another's colour, the way they dress or what they believe in. Also if you are racist it means you won't let someone that dresses differently or has a different culture go to a normal school or have a normal job.

Racism is bad because a lot of people like Aboriginal and Muslims can't get a proper job or go to school. That means Aboriginals and Muslims can't get a good education and adults can't get a job that gives them enough money to buy food and life essentials for their families.

As you could probably tell from above. Most of the racism is at Muslims and Aboriginals. It doesn't really matter what you look like or what you believe in, as long as you are kind and respect other people's property. Some people don't see the kindness in Muslims and Aboriginals. A lot of my friends and family are either religious or Aboriginal and their all really nice people and I bet that if someone that has been racist before and met one of them they would change the way they look at Muslims, Aboriginals and religious people.

There for racism is bad and people should accept other people differences.

**By Ayla-mae**

## 4/5/6 Class Expeditions

### Should People Go To War

I strongly believe that definitely nobody should go to war. Because somebody (one country) went to war, and won then they would start another war because they would think that they would win the next war.

Just think about lots and lots of people dying in war. It will make there less and less people in the world. In fact, there are at least three wars going on right at this minute, and that means that lots of people are dying at this very second.

If you go to war you will break an arm, a leg, your back, your neck, get shot or get blown to smithereens and that would not be nice. Instead of going to war you could just live a happy life with your family.

Altogether, I strongly believe that nobody should go to war for you will definitely die from a hideous gun, a massive bomb or an ugly shell.

**By Albert**

### Racism isn't fair!

Why are people racist? I believe that racism is not accepting people for who they are; their colour, their culture or for the way they dress. Racism is really wrong.

If you are racist it means that you judge people on where they are born and you can't accept people for the way they do things. To most people the Muslims dress weird. People should learn to accept people for who they are. The way the Muslims dress is considered weird but they do it because they believe that it's not the way they look it's what they are on the inside that matters.

Why is racism bad?

Racism is bad because people criticise and talk behind people's backs. A lot of Aboriginals and Torri Strait Islanders and Muslims can't get a job or go to a normal school or get a good proper education, which means that you can't get enough money to buy food and water and then won't have a healthy life.

In conclusion racism is bad and NOBODY should do it because it is unfair!

**By Lily**

## Leaders Report

This week we had the soccer try-outs. A big congratulations to Raphael, Izaiah and Rain who were selected for the boys soccer team and Ayla-Mae for the girls soccer team. The K/1/2/3/4/5 classes attended Sticks and Stones today at Tullera Hall and Year 6 went to the Grip Leadership Conference at Tweed heads.

Have a good weekend!

**Raphael and Izaiah**

## From Mrs Cantrell

What bright little bunnies I have in my class! This week we have been working on halves and quarters and 2D shapes. We continued our unit of work, 'The Way We Were', by cutting pictures out of magazines to make a timeline to show how we grow from babies to adults. We are also working together on a piece of persuasive writing about why it is important to have friends.



**Mr Manser is teaching us to play the recorder.**

**Happy Birthday!**

**Jett  
12.05.15**

**Jack  
12.05.15**



## Grade 2/3

We have been working on expositions - trying to persuade our reader to a different point of view.

### Lollies Win!

I strongly think that lollies shouldn't be banned. Well, I know that they're unhealthy and I don't want eating lollies to be common. I want people to have lollies on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

The only ones that I think should be banned are the sugar covered lollies. They're too unhealthy. A whole bag of them is too much. It can't go on with the sugar coated lollies.

So that is why lollies win.

**By Robert**

### Schools Should Stop Teaching Art.

I believe that schools should stop teaching Art. I am going to convince you to stop Art.

Paint can get in your eyes.

Art at school is so unoriginal.

It has poisonous chemicals in the paint and it is so expensive for paper, pencils, textas, paint and way more. Staples are just plain dangerous because Finn stapled his finger last month. So Art is bad for your health.

So that is why you should not do Art.

(I really do not think all that.)

**By Milly**

### Why do you teach Art?

Art is boring. You could be doing Maths or Spelling, and Art doesn't give you an education at all.

You're wasting money on non-recyclable art supplies like paper, fine liners, paint and a lot more. You could be spending that money on computers and iPads to make your school better.

Art is a mess. You have to clean it up, like cleaning the desks.

Have you decided that you are going to a school that doesn't teach Art yet?

**By Ethan**

### Thankyou Raphael

On Thursday 7/5/15, Raphael came to talk about Naplan to the Year 3 students. Raphael talked through Naplan for 10 or 15 minutes. We had to do Reading, Literacy, Maths and Writing. I can't wait till we have Naplan.

**By Robert**





### Sports for Schools

We have only had two nominees to run the Sporting In Schools Program. If you are interested, please let the school know by this Monday, 11th May. We are open to running it on another day instead of Monday. You will need to have a 'current working with children' check number to facilitate this program. Notes will go home next Monday after a decision has been made. We will be starting this program next Friday from 3.15pm until 4.15pm. If you have any queries please contact Mr Manser at school on Monday.

### School Jacket

The size 4 jackets have arrived at school this week. They are available for purchase at \$25.00 from the school office.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Colour your world with a fun filled family  
outing

# Lismore's 25th Annual Gemfest

**2 Full Days** Saturday 16th May, 9am–5pm  
Sunday 17th May, 9am–3pm

**Venue** Lismore Showground

**Entry** \$5 per adult, \$1 per child (under 5 yrs free)

**Featuring** Gold, Sapphires, Jewellery, Opals  
Gemstones, Rare Fossils,

**SUMMERLAND**  
Southern Cross Ten  
lismore city council  
**Northern Star**  
www.northernstar.com.au  
The Northern Rivers **echo**

## P&C news

A HUGE thanks to those who filled out and returned the Fundraising Survey. The majority of respondents said they were happy to help with fundraising events. Fantastic news!!

This is also very timely news, because The Channon P&C is Charity of the Month at The Channon Market on Sunday, June 14! Organising this event is a BIG job for one person.

Because many hands make light work, we have broken the job down into eight components that will take only a few hours each.

Please fill in and return this form to Pauline next week if you can tackle one of these tasks.

Brian Taylor organised the last two markets and is more than happy to assist where possible (if you have any queries he is on 6688 6135).

For those who enjoy helping out on the day, keep your eyes peeled for a roster in a week or two.

Thanks again everyone for your time and energy, it is much appreciated!!!

Job	Coordinator
1. Stocktake existing supplies	Brian
2. Shop for supplies (about one week prior)	-----
3. Organise supermarket discount vouchers	-----
4. Shop for bread/meat	Sarah
5. Chop onions	-----
6. Prepare/check necessary equipment	Brian
7. Transport equipment to market & set up	-----
8. Help pack down and return equipment	-----

## IN OTHER NEWS.....

A big THANK YOU to Tamlin for her brilliant organisation of The Election Day Cake Stall last term. Thanks, too, to all the volunteers who helped out on the day, and also the parents/carers who donated delicious baked goodies. And to the Hall Committee for their generous donation of coffee. We raised more than \$430!!!

A big THANK YOU to Scott and Sarah for their tireless dedication to the school canteen over the past few years. Their delicious food has been much appreciated by kids and parents alike!! Scott and Sarah are taking a well-deserved break, so we need a new canteen coordinator. Could it be you?! Please contact Sarah on 0439 082 027 if you are interested, or would like to know more about what's involved.

Please stop by Pauline's desk before the end of next week to sign a Thank You card for Heather Laverick if you haven't done so already.