

FRIDAY 17th July 2015

# The Channon Public School

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## From The Principal

It is nice to be back as Principal of The Channon Public School. I would like to thank Diana Cantrell for relieving whilst I was on leave. I would also like to thank Rena for all of her hard work and dedication in teaching the 4/5/6 class.

In addition, I would like to thanks JJ, Rena and Rachel for their hard work in providing participating students with the opportunity to further their skills in physical education through the Sports for Schools program. I have once again applied for funding to support this program in term three and am now waiting for approval.

The students have returned to some classroom changes. The 3/6 students are now located in the former K/1 classroom. Furniture has been rearranged to provide the students with a calm, colourful and specious learning environment. The K/1/2 students are now located in the former 4/5/6 room.

At the end of term two I submitted a report to the Department of Education and Communities in order to secure our wonderful demountable classroom. A review will occur in August. In the meantime I am working with the staff and P&C to convert the demountable into a learning environment for the creative arts. Over the coming weeks I will be working with staff to audit our visual arts resources and purchase any new equipment or to replenish items that are in short supply. We will move all of the school art supplies to the demountable so that art lessons can be presented in one area with all supplies in the one location.

This week Diana Cantrell has been on leave with Carol Shipard working as the classroom teacher with K/1/2. This term, Carol will continue to teach particular subject areas to each class and certain stages, e.g. Carol will be teaching Maths to kindergarten each week while Diana works with the year 1/2 students. Carol will also be teaching other Key Learning Areas across the school, but on some occasions the 3/6 class will be split for this to ensure smaller class sizes, e.g. while I teach the year 3/4 students, Carol will teach year 5/6 and vice-versa for various subjects. This means that it will still feel like we are still running three classes for some periods of the day. Presenting lessons to smaller groups should result in more focus being provided to the individual learners.

I am really looking forward to working with the students, staff, parents and community and I will be proactive in supporting all of these stake holders. If you would like to discuss anything with me, please don't hesitate in visiting me at school or contacting me by phone.

**Stephen Manser**  
**Principal**

## **Life Education Van**

The Life Education Van will be visiting our school next Thursday, 23rd July, 2015 to run Health Education programs for all years. The programs address many of the components and objectives within the NSW PDHPE curriculum.

We encourage all students to attend these programs. The cost for the program is \$10.00 per student. Notes went out last term. Please return notes and money by next Tuesday, 21 July, 2015. If you would like to purchase items or donate to Life Education a note is attached to this newsletter.



## **Musical Equipment**

During the holidays Mr Manser was in discussions with various music stores about purchasing a class set of acoustic guitars. Today he ordered 20 acoustic guitars and they should arrive next week. Mr Manser will also be getting the current school guitars that have been sitting in the library re-strung. He has also been in contact with a number of parents, community members and other schools about gaining some marimbas. Joe O'Keefe has already dropped two marimbas off that are on loan from a local high school. Thanks very much Joe! The staff will sort through the instruments located at the back of the library with the aim to use them within the creative arts room.

## **Small Schools' Choir**

We have been contacted by Michael Coleman to inform us that the Small Schools' Choir Performing Arts rehearsal for next week has been cancelled. The next rehearsal will be held at Goonellebah Public School on Thursday, 6 August, from 12.30pm until 1.30pm. Transport is by private car. Please fill in the permission slip attached to this newsletter and return to school by next Friday, 24 July, 2015.

## **Dunoon PSSA Athletics Carnival**

The Dunoon PSSA Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday, 31 July, 2015 at Riverview Park. The whole school will be attending the athletics carnival. Students will travel by bus at a cost of \$5.95 per student. There will be no supervision at school whilst at the carnival. Students need to be at school by 9am. A canteen will be available on the day or children will need to bring recess, lunch and drinks. Parents please ensure your child has a water bottle as there is no bubblers at the grounds.

Students need to be in full school uniform, wear covered footwear and school hat. Parents who are driving and wish take their child/ren home early please let a teacher know prior to leaving. Please fill in the permission slip attached and return to school with money by Friday, 24 July, 2015. We will send the canteen menu and program home in next weeks newsletter.

The field events will be held the following week on the Wednesday. A note will go home with those students who have been selected after tryout have been held.

## State Cross Country Championships

Today Djuan will be competing in the State Cross Country Championships in Sydney. This is an amazing achievement and we wish him all the best!

*Good Luck*

## Byron Bay Writers Festival

On Tuesday, 4 August, students in years 4-6 will travel by bus to attend the Byron Bay Writers Festival at the Lismore City Hall. The authors' this year are Andy Griffiths the acclaimed Australian author who has written more than 25 books and Terry Denton who has illustrated award winning books such as 'The Paw'. The session runs from 9.30am until 11.30am. Students need to be at school by 8.40am as the bus will be leaving at 8.50am. The cost is \$18.60 which covers entry and bus. Students need to be in full school uniform and wear covered footwear. Please fill in the attached permission note and return to school with money by Thursday, 30 July, 2015.

## Library

From next week Library will now be held each Friday. Please ensure you send your child/ren with their library bag or a plastic bag to protect the books.



## Newsletters

The newsletter will now be done each Thursday. It will be still be sent home on Friday except if we are on excursion then it will go home on Thursday. If anyone wished to submit an item for the newsletter please send it to Mr Manser or Mrs Luce by 11am each Thursday.

Due to changes with the new email system for Department of Education there may be delays in sending emails to the school; this also goes for sending the newsletter by email to families. We apologies for the inconvenience; your child/ren will always receive a hard copy of the newsletter and it is also visible on our website.

## Jumpers and Hats

Winter is here! The temperature has dropped significantly! Please ensure that your child/ren bring a warm jumper or coat to school each day. Please label your child/ren(s) clothing to ensure that they don't get lost. We have school jumpers available to purchase for \$25.00 and school hats for \$8.00 each. We have a 'no hat play in the shade' policy so please ensure they bring their hats each day.

## K/1/2 Class

This week K/1/2 have base our work around “The Lorax”, a precautionary tale. We have looked at our school eco-system with Nan & Hug Nicholson, and have all signed ‘The Lorax pledge’ to work towards a healthier earth.

**Mrs Shipard**

### *IF I HAD THE LAST TRUFFALA SEED - K/1/2*

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would water it, put it in the sun and take good care of it!**

**Lillyana**

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would take so much care and treat it like a baby.**

**Milaya**

**If I had the last Truffala seed I would take very good care of it!**

**Hunter**

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would plant it in a big park. Then everyone would understand that we need trees.**

**Tumahn**

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would water it!**

**Jett**

**If I had the last Truffala seed I would treat it like a diamond!**

**Jerermy**

**If I had the last Truffala seed I would look after it!**

**Eloise**

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would plant it!**

**Bella**

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would water it!**

**Pania**

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would plant it and then water it because I love plants!**

**Elke**

**If I had the last Truffala seed, I would plant the last Truffala seed in a very big pot. I would put soil in it and water it!**

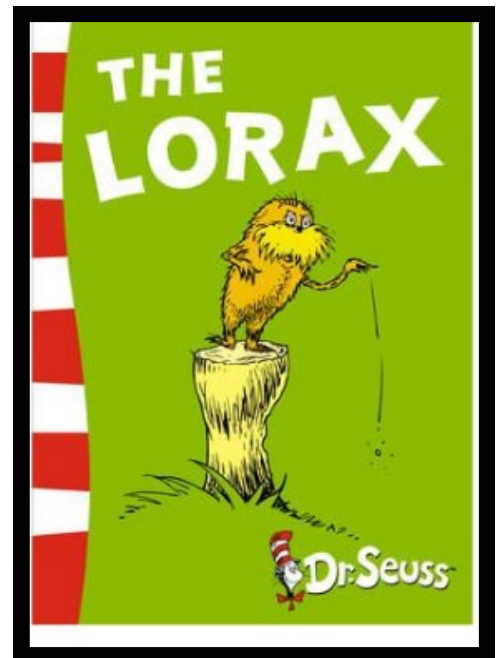
**Beanie**

**If I had the last Truffala seed I would plant it and water it!**

**Maude**

**If I had the last Truffala seed I would give it the finest mulch and treat it like a piece of precious spy glass!**

**Aslan**





## K/1/2 Class

Yesterday Nan and Hugh Nicholson came and visited us to look at our school yard eco-system. From this we created our eco-system painting displayed below by Eloise and Milaya. We found many interesting fruits in our school yard.

We thank Nan & Hugh for their valued knowledge and for also donating a series of Rainforest plant books that they have written themselves to the school. We will certainly be able to make many references to these when studying our environment.

THANK  
You!



Look at our wonderful school yard echo system that we created!



## Leaders Report

Welcome back to a new term!

On Thursday Djuan left to go to Sydney for State Cross Country. We all wish him luck! On the 3/4/5/6 class Mr Manser has been teaching all wee and will continue to teach 3/4/5/6 most of the time

Mrs Shipard has been teaching K/1/2 class as Mrs Cantrell has been away this week. We hope you had a great first week back! See you next week!

Miriam and Talia



### TERM 3 2015

#### Week 2

#### Thursday 23rd July

Life Education Van

#### Week 3

#### Friday 31st July

Dunoon PSSA Athletics Carnival

#### Week 4

#### Tuesday 4th August

Byron Bay Writers Festival

#### Wednesday 5th August

Dunoon PSSA Field Events

#### Thursday 6th August

Small Schools Choir Rehearsal

## School and Community Announcements



# XMAS IN JULY HIGH TEA

*Fundraiser for Lismore Women's  
& Children's Refuge*

**Saturday July 18th  
2.00 pm**

**Eureka Community Hall  
Eureka Road  
EUREKA**

**Tickets \$30 Adults  
Pensioners \$28  
Children \$15 (12 & under)  
5yrs and under \$10  
Infants free.**

Serving a selection of *gourmet Christmas food*  
Catered by High Tea Ladies



**bookings Essential by 13<sup>th</sup> July**

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## CITRUS CELEBRATION & PICNIC

@ the Lismore Community Garden

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Sunday 26 July 10am – 1pm  
Celebrating and sharing Lismore's citrus abundance.

- Bring your own picnic – Win a prize for the most stylish citrus-themed picnic!
- Gardening demonstrations with Garden Guru Phil Dudman. Plus, citrus cooking demonstrations.
- Citrus cooking competition – Fabulous prizes for best home-made preserves, baked item and beverage. Register online.
- Old fashioned kids games with a citrus twist.
- Food and drink stalls, music and more.



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