“We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Bundjalung people who are the Traditional Custodians and First Peoples of the Land on which our school stands.”

Week 5 Term 3 Awards

Jerahkye Williams
Louie Seckold
Stella Maddock
Jet Pyewacket

Krystal De La Porte
Harry La Macchia
Pearly Peachey

Bronze Award

Reuben Peachey

Silver Award

Callum Simpson Ruttley

Principal’s Report

Performing Arts Festival

Our Performing Arts Festival is now only 2 weeks away. Students were asked to have their costumes to school by last week. We had a dress rehearsal today but we still have many costumes not complete. Students still needing to bring in items of clothing, were given another note today.

Please send these items in as soon as possible or let the school know if you are having trouble finding these items. Op shops are a great and cheap way of finding most things.

National Partnerships Survey

Last week we sent a survey home regarding the programs we have running at the school and the ones funded by National Partnerships. Surveys were due in today. It is important you return this survey as it assists us with planning for future years. You will also go into a draw to win a $50.00 gift card.

Phone Calls Home

Could all parents and carers please ensure they return all notes promptly to school. Many of our students are not returning notes and then are asking the office to ring home. This is fine on the odd occasion but it is happening too regularly. Children are given numerous reminders at school. Because of the large volume of calls coming to the office, I have had to instruct staff that we will no longer be phoning for permission to attend an event unless there are special circumstances, like a child has been off sick.
It is lovely to be getting reports of good behaviour and students showing respect and safe behaviour while on excursions or sporting events. Unfortunately we have had a few incidents recently where students have not followed instructions. A segment of our school policy is below and it is a reminder that any students who put either themselves or others at risk by not following instructions will not attend these outings until I am confident they are not a risk.

Behaviour that is consistently unacceptable will result in:

- Welfare committee referral
- Counselling with parents
- School counselling or ISTB intervention
- Behaviour Management Plan established and negotiated between the students, parents and school
- Withdrawal from sport, excursions, discos. This will be at the Principal’s discretion and according to departmental guidelines.
- Suspension—short term and then long term/exclusion/expulsion. This will be at the Principal’s discretion and according to departmental guidelines.

Yesterday Year 2-6 was very fortunate to spend a lovely sunny day out at Tuntal Creek at our Water Watch Excursion. The students spent their time busily water testing and dip netting to find insect life in the creek. One student was even lucky enough to catch a small fish! To finalise the afternoon K-3 students explored their environment and completed some wonderful art activities. Years 4-6 were busy using ipads to produce their own mini documentaries.
Yamato Takada Visit – Lismore’s Sister City in Japan

Just as a reminder, can you please continue to send in any materials or recyclables that may be useful for instrument making. Some examples are: cereal boxes, yoghurt tubs, plastic bottles, bottle caps and lids, milo tins, paper towel tubes, balloons, rubber bands, rice, coffee beans or anything else that you could think of. Please send these items empty and washed with your child to add to our collection.

This week Gurraman will be working independently to write their own information report. The students are very excited about sharing their knowledge of animals with the class and I am looking forward to reading some terrific information reports.

Homework will be sent home again today. Thank you to the students who have returned last week’s homework on time, these students will have their new homework glued into their books ready for return on Friday. Other students will need to glue their homework into their book at home and return both weeks homework by Friday this week.

Regards Mrs Davies.
Please find attached to the newsletter a permission note for Yrs 3-6 for Oz Tag. This needs to be signed and returned with payment to the school office by this Friday, 16th August.

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Information for Parents – Rubella (German Measles) Alert

The North Coast Public Health Unit (Lismore Office) has been notified of five cases of Rubella in the Northern Rivers area.

Rubella is an infectious viral disease. Common symptoms may include rash, mild fever, runny nose and conjunctivitis.

Infection is especially dangerous during the early stages of pregnancy.

If you or anyone in your household develops any of the above symptoms, see your doctor as soon as possible.