

Lismore Public School

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NEWSLETTER

Term 2 Week 9

21st June 2017



We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Elders past and present of the Wijabal Wiyabal people and other peoples of Bundjalung Nation. We acknowledge that they are the first peoples of this land on which our school stands.

Introduction to NAIDOC

On Monday the Kindergarten students and SCJ students worked together with parents and teachers for an introduction to NAIDOC ready for whole school activities planned for next week. After singing and learning the actions for 'Red, Black and Yellow' together the students worked in groups to learn more about ATSI culture. The students listened to Aboriginal stories with Stacey and did some artwork with her. Ashlea and Kaleesha assisted the students to create rainbow serpents woven with wool. Everyone enjoyed cooking the Johnny cakes with Shonel or making kangaroo stew with Mrs Hughes. Most students tasted their yummy treats while they were still warm. Thanks to all involved in making this valuable learning opportunity available for the LPS Early Stage 1 students. Heather Cole - Teacher



Date	Event	Venue	Cost	Time
20/6/17	Scripture/Ethics	LPS		2pm
20/6/17	Winter Chill Meal Deal	LPS	\$6.00	1.10pm
20/6/17	The Rivers Secondary College Yr 6 'Meet & Greet'	LPS	Nil	9.15am - 10am
21/6/17	PSSA Netball Knockout	Lismore Netball Courts	\$2.00	9.20am - 11.40am
22/6/17	Girls Basketball Gala Day	GSAC	\$5.00	9.30am - 2.30pm
22/6/17	2018 Kindergarten Parent Information Evening	LPS Kindy Classrooms	Nil	6pm - 7pm
23/6/17	School Assembly - Junior Choir & Signing Choir Performing	LPS		2.30pm
26/6/17	NAIDOC Week - Opening Flag Raising	LPS	Nil	9.30am
27/6/17	Scripture/Ethics	LPS		2pm
28/6/17	NAIDOC Traditional Games/ Rotation Classroom Activities	LPS	Nil	9.30am
29/6/17	NAIDOC Celebrations	Lismore Show Ground		All Day
30/6/17	LPS Annual Athletics Carnival	Riverview Park		All Day
30/6/17	Last Day of Term 2			

RIGHTS - Be Safe and Learn

Principal's Report

2018 Kindergarten Information Night

Our school will host the 2018 Kindergarten Information Night on Thursday 22nd June. If you have a child who is coming to LPS next year please mark this on your calendar. Please pass this information onto any family who has a child ready for 'Big School'. Pre-schools have this information. Additional information is available by contacting the schools. I look forward to seeing many families on the night.

Athletics Carnival

Our annual athletics carnival will be held on Friday 30th June. This is the last day of school. All students will travel by bus to Riverview Park, South Lismore, to compete in the various events. Some events will be completed at school to help with the running of the carnival. Students will receive a note this week with more information. Students will be able to order their lunch and collect it at the carnival.



NAIDOC Celebrations

Our annual NAIDOC week celebrations commence on Monday with the flag raising ceremony. Throughout the week there will be opportunities for students to participate in traditional games, activities and cooking. There will also be the opportunity to taste some kangaroo sausages. This will culminate with an excursion for our Aboriginal students and a buddy to the Lismore Showground on Thursday 29 June for the Community NAIDOC week celebrations.



Staffing – a message from Mr Gill

A merit selection process has recently been completed for a teacher vacancy at Lismore Public School. I led an independent panel of representatives including teaching staff, P&C and the AECG, and after interviewing some very strong candidates, have decided to offer Mrs Meagan Duroux a permanent position at Lismore PS. We congratulate Mrs Duroux. She will be an invaluable addition to our school. Martin

End of Term

The last day of term 2 is Friday 30th June. Staff return on Monday 17th July for a School Development Day with the students returning on Tuesday 18th July. Students are expected to be in attendance for each school day. I trust you will all have an enjoyable and safe holiday.

Have a great week and an enjoyable term.

Allan Duroux

Relieving Principal

3/4J Classroom News

Students in 3/4J playing a memory game during a Bundjalung Language lesson. The students enjoy learning to speak some



words used by Australia's first people and are looking forward to more lessons.

This term, Kaleesha has begun introducing language into the Infants classes.



Creative Arts Camp



There were an overwhelming number of applications for students to attend the 2017 North Coast Creative Arts Camp this year.

Congratulations to the 11 students invited to participate in this excursion at Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre in August. Unfortunately not all LPS are able to attend this year. Students who have not been selected have been placed on a waiting list and an offer will be made if a place becomes available in their selected group. These students are encouraged to apply again next year.

Mrs Cole Teacher/Music Coordinator

RESPECT - Be Caring and Polite



Before School Bus Lines and After School



1. Walk in two lines with your teacher to the bus.
2. Know how you are getting home.
3. Go to bus lines, your parent or home.
4. If bus walk in lines to get onto your



Captains: Cyla H, Max F. Vice Captains: Jacinta McD, Sebastian B

BE RESPECTFUL WEAR CORRECT UNIFORM SPEAK POLITELY BE PUNCTUAL

A Notice to All Parents

The P&C Executive are writing to you because we feel it is essential we tell you about the School Funding Amendment Bill before the Australian Parliament at the present time.

NSW currently has a signed agreement for the delivery of the Gonski school funding arrangements. There are many benefits to our children with the delivery of the 'full' Gonski. The Federal government is currently proposing to step away from the existing agreement and avoid paying the final two years according to the signed agreement. This will result in a **significant reduction** in the promised funding to our school. Some summary points:

The School Funding Amendment Bill current before the Senate (already passed through the government-controlled Lower House)

- Will see only 40% of the funding of the original agreement honoured, bringing about a small increase of \$50 per child per year for the next ten years
- Will cap Federal government funding of public schools to 20% of the school resource standard (SRS) and private schools to 80% of the standard
- Means that schooling for children will not be funded according to need
- Abandons the increased role for the Federal government in the funding of disadvantaged students, over 80% of whom attend public schools
- Will abolish the requirement of the Federal government to increase, by 4.7% annually, funding to a school until it reaches the school resource standard
- Will lock in different funding roles for the Federal and State governments instead of developing an integrated model as originally proposed by Gonski

Due to the scheduling of the matter in the Senate we need to act on this in the next three weeks. There will be P&C representatives at the school in the afternoons this week asking you to sign a petition against what the Federal government proposes. Please consider signing this petition to let the Federal government know children in public schools deserve to receive a fairer share of the available funding.

You can visit the website for further information about the Gonski Funding: igiveagonski.com.au and to register your support.

Thank you

Bridget Barker
P&C President

Voluntary Contributions

The Voluntary Contribution for the 2017 school year has remained at \$35 per student or \$70 per family of 2 or more students in the same family.

The school supplies students with all their books, pens, pencils etc which are funded through these voluntary contribution.

You can pay by cash, cheque, pop, eftpos or credit over the phone.

LPS would appreciate payment of these contributions if you haven't already done so.

Thank you to all the families who have already paid.



RESPONSIBILITY - Be Accountable

Teacher's Choice Awards

Congratulations to this weeks award winners

KC: Levi, Riley

SCS: George

1/2L: Jeremy, Zara, Riley, Lily

1/2S: Taite

2/3G: Jesse, Ellie-Grace

3/4J: Kaylee, Ebony

3/4D: Zac, Kaysey



Awards will be presented to students at Friday Assembly.

Considering a
preschool education for your child?



Lismore Preschool Inc. invites you to visit our centre.

62 Brewster St Lismore

Phone: 6621 5428

www.lismorepreschool.org.au

**Now taking enrolments for
2018**



2017 ICAS Dates

ICAS SUBJECTS	ICAS SITTING DATE
English	Tuesday, 1 August 2017
Mathematics	Tuesday, 15 August 2017

Uniform Shop

Please be aware the Uniform Shop is only open for purchases on Tuesday mornings from 8.45am to 9.30am. If you attend at other times you can place an order and it will be filled the following Tuesday. You can state on the order form whether you wish to collect from the uniform shop or have the order sent home with your child the following Tuesday.

Lismore P&C

**Rainbow Region Kids
BOOK NOW**

LISMORE VACATION CARE
Is now taking bookings for the
July 2017 School holidays

Play,
Learn
and
Grow...
Together!

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Word of the Week

Bijunbihn

Father

NAIDOC DAY 2017



**Our Languages
Matter**

Friday 23 June 4pm - 6pm



Come and celebrate Aboriginal culture with us at
Lismore High Campus

Bring your families along because everyone is welcome

Music
Bush Tucker
Art Workshops

Traditional Dance
Bundjalung Language
Workshops

Indigenous Games
Touch Comp
Face Painting



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