

# Lismore Public School

## NEWSLETTER



### Principal's Message

Summer is almost here which means lots of trips to the pool, ocean or river for many of our families. You may have heard in the news recently that Royal Lifesaving Australia is concerned that children's swimming skills aren't up to scratch, with data showing 40% of children finishing primary school without basic swimming skills.

With the above in mind, we remind you that our school starts swimming school for 10 days in Week 6 and Week 7. The school is acutely aware of the cost of living crisis currently being experienced for many of our families. At the same time, we see swimming as a vital life skill for all our students. It is for these reasons that we have largely subsidised swim school.

\$5:50 per lesson, or \$55.00 for the 10 ten days, represents enormous value for money when compared to private lessons. I encourage all our families with children 8 years and over to participate in this program.



### Principal's Message Continued...

#### Step Up Sessions

##### 4th December & 10th December

Each year, Lismore Public School supports the transition of our students into the following school year. Part of this process involves placing our students into possible class groupings for 2025. During these "Step Up" sessions, students will be exposed to different teachers and different classrooms. This year, these sessions will occur on the above dates in the middle session of the day.



Please be assured, our teachers and executive use careful planning and consideration of every student's unique social, emotional and academic needs. Of course, the school also needs to work within the confines of available funding and staffing.

#### School Community Christmas Carols

##### Wednesday 4th December 5:00 - 6:30pm

We invite all our parents and extended family members to attend this annual event. There will be a sausage sizzle dinner and staged-based performances with a Christmas theme. The P&C will also draw the winners of their Christmas raffles.



**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.**

## Principal's Message Continued...

### 2025 School Captain Speeches & Voting Monday 9th December 2:00pm -3:10pm

Year 5 students wishing to stand for 2025 school captain positions will give their speeches to Years 2-6 on this date. Family members are welcome to attend. Following the speeches, our students from Years 2-5 will vote before going home. Our 2025 school captains will be announced on Presentation Day.

### K-6 Presentation Day

**Wednesday 11th December 2024 9:30am - 11:00am**

This year our Presentation Day will be held in the school hall. All parents and family members are welcome to join us in celebrating our students.

## Principal's Message Continued...

### Year 6 Farewell Dinner and Disco

**Thursday 12th December 5:30pm - 7:30pm**

Following our survey of Year 6 students and families in Term 1, we will hold this event in our school hall. This event is for our Year 6 students only. Each student can invite up to 4 adult family members to join them. We will begin with a small celebration ceremony. A sit down pizza dinner and cutting of our Year 6 cake will follow. We will then hold a special student and parent 'Pride of Erin' dance. With the formalities completed, our students and parents can enjoy a disco until 7:30pm.

Samantha Rowsell  
Principal

## HATS OFF TO TEACHERS

Look at all the hats we brought to school to celebrate!  
Big thank you Mrs Baldwin for taking this magnificent photo!



# Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Learner

## World Teachers' Day

Last Friday, we celebrated World Teachers' Day, honouring the incredible dedication and hard work of our teachers.

Thank you to all our educators for the passion, care, and commitment you bring to shaping the future.

Your impact is immeasurable, and we deeply appreciate everything you do for our students and community!



## Cody's Impressive Dance Achievements



We are excited to share that Cody received the Sidney and Hacking Aggregate Award for the highest scoring Jazz and Contemporary performances in her age group. The award was presented by the Mayor in recognition of her hard work and talent.

Cody also won across various dance styles, including Jazz, Contemporary, Lyrical, Acro, Hip Hop, Musical Theatre, Jazz Improv, Tap Improv, and Ballet Improv. Her dedication and versatility are truly admirable. Well done, Cody!



## K-2 Lismore Show Excursion



Join us as we look back on a memorable K-2 excursion to the Lismore Show, where fun and learning came together! The students had an amazing time exploring the vibrant displays, interacting with adorable animals, and participating in a variety of exciting activities. The highlight of the day was our talented K-2 choir and dance group, who dazzled the audience with their spirited performances. It was a fantastic opportunity for our little ones to showcase their skills and enjoy the festive atmosphere. The day was filled with laughter, creativity, and unforgettable memories!



# PBL NEWS

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## IN THE LIBRARY

we look after our books



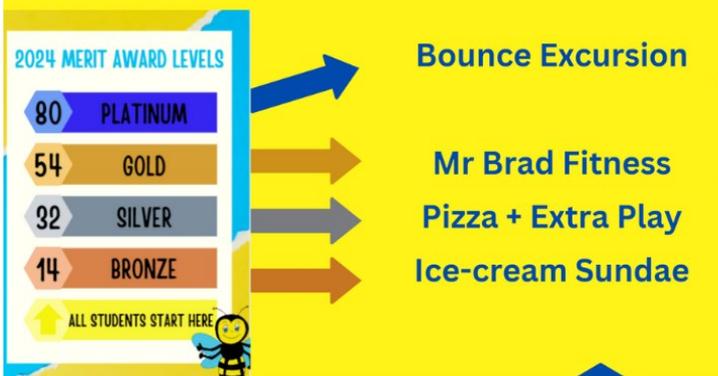
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we use the equipment safely



we play quietly with our friends

## Merit Award Rewards



IN TERM 4, STUDENTS

ARE WORKING

TOWARDS

PLATINUM



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Congratulations to the following students who received their Gold and Silver Award from the end of last term.



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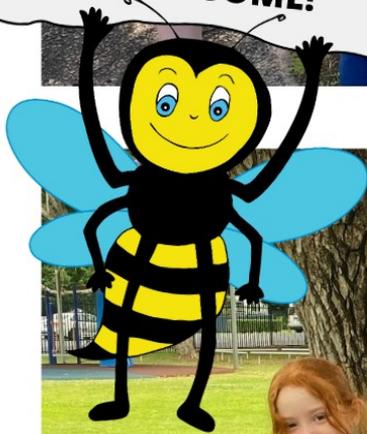
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**THE RIVERS**  
SECONDARY COLLEGE

*The heart of secondary education for Lismore*

# 2024 Year 6 Orientation Days

**Save these dates in Term 4:**

**Day 1 - Tuesday 26th November**

**Day 2 - Tuesday 3rd December**



## **KADINA HIGH CAMPUS**

**2-22 Kadina Street, Goonellabah**

**Phone: 6624 3133**

**Year 7 Adviser 2025: Polly Jude**

## **RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS**

**1 Military Road, East Lismore**

**Phone: 6621 3456**

**Year 7 Adviser 2025: David Dunlop**

## **LISMORE HIGH CAMPUS**

**118 Dalley Street, Lismore**

**Phone: 6621 5185**

**Year 7 Adviser 2025: Maria Eades**



**PURPOSE:** *To provide Year 6 students with the opportunity to experience high school at their local campus before they commence Year 7 in 2025.*

**DETAILS:** *The event is run as an excursion by our partner primary schools. A variety of activities will run during the day that may vary from campus to campus. Each Principal will provide activity details to the primary schools coming to their campus.*

# Sensory Screenings at Palace Ballina Fair!

Our Sensory Screenings Include:

-  **Dimmed Lighting** in cinemas.
-  **Subtitles** for every film.
-  **Lowered Sound** to avoid overwhelming sensory input

**These special film sessions will take place on the last Sunday of every month at 1pm**  
Check the website for more details.



NSW Department of Education

## Are you looking for part-time work and want to make a difference?

Become an Assisted Travel Support Officer

The Department of Education is looking for Assisted Travel Support Officers (ATSOs) to work on a temporary basis during the school year.

The Assisted School Travel Program (ASTP) provides specialised transport to eligible students with disability, to ensure their safe travel to and from school.



### How to apply

Scan the QR code to find out more about the ASTP and applying to become an ATSO, or visit:  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/astp-atsos>  
Phone: 1300 338 278





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Term 4

Before and After  
SCHOOL CARE with

Rainbow  
region Kids

Bookings are open for NSW school term 4 in Alstonville, Blakebrook, Casino, Casino West, Coffee Camp, Coorabell, Evans Head, Kyogle, Lismore, Lismore South, Mullumbimby, Ocean Shores, Wardell and Wollongbar.

Call 0429 640 075 email [rrkassist@nrcg.org.au](mailto:rrkassist@nrcg.org.au)



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LISMORE CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL



Saturday 30th Nov

RIDES - ENTERTAINMENT - FOOD - MARKET STALLS

A community event bringing the  
Christmas spirit to Lismore

Lismore Turf Club | 12-7pm



# Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Learner

## Term 4 Calendar

4	4th November 2.20pm K-6 Assembly - 1-2W Item	5th November	6th November 9.00am Kindy Start	7th November	8th November	9/10
5	11th November 2.20pm K-6 Assembly - Remembrance Day	12th November Year 6-7 Enhanced Transition - RSC All Campuses	13th November 9.00am Kindy Start	14th November	15th November	16/17
6	18th November Swim School 2.20pm K-6 Assembly - KR Item 10am - 2:30pm PSSA Cricket Trials Jim Roder Oval	19th November Swim School Year 6-7 Enhanced Transition - RSC All Campuses	20th November 9.00am Kindy Start Last Day (including Graduation Assembly) Swim School	21st November Swim School	22nd November Swim School	23/24
7	25th November Swim School 2.20pm K-6 Assembly 5.15pm P&C Meeting - LPS Staff Room	26th November Swim School Yr6-7 The Rivers Secondary College Orientation Day	27th November Swim School	28th November Swim School	29th November Swim School	30/1
8	2nd December 9.30am Bronze, Silver & Gold Award Assembly PBL Gold Reward Day - Mr Brad Fitness	3rd December S2 Currumbin Bird Sanctuary Excursion Yr6-7 The Rivers Secondary College Orientation Day	4th December Step-Up Day	5th December PBL Platinum Rewards Day - Bounce Excursion	6th December Canteen Meal Deal	7/8
9	9th December 2.20pm K-6 Assembly - 2025 School Captain Speeches	10th December Step-Up Day	11th December 9:30am - 11am Presentation Day Assembly	12th December 5.30pm Yr 6 Farewell Dinner / Presentation / Dance	13th December Stage 2 & 3 Fun Day - Ballina Waterslide	14/15
10	16th December No Assembly	17th December	18th December Last Day for Students	19th December Staff Development Day	20th December Staff Development Day	21/22

## Term 1 Calendar 2025

1	28th January School Holidays	29th January School Holidays	30th January School Holidays	31st January School Holidays	1st February Staff Development Day	2/3
2	4th February Staff Development Day	5th February First Day Back For Students Year 1-6 Kindy Best Start Appointments	6th February Kindy Best Start Appointments	7th February First Day For Kindergarten	8th February	9/10