End of Term One 2014
A big thank you to families for the wonderful support our school has received since the start of the year. I hope all children have a lovely holiday. Happy Easter to all families!

Grandparents’ Morning Tea: Thursday
Thank you to those who have replied to the Grandparents’ Day invitation. Presentation starts tomorrow at 10 am. Thank you, Mr Johnson

Last day of term: Friday
On Friday the children may wear casual clothes to school. (Sun safe shirts and no thongs please) We will be finishing the day with an assembly from 2.30-3.00pm in the COLA (weather permitting). The children will be doing an encore performance from the day before so that parents get to watch!

Term Two Events
At a recent P&C meeting it was requested that the school seek payment in advance for activities. For Term 2 our planned events are:

**Cross Country K-6** 8/5/14 Week 2
Corndale $3.50 Bus Travel (whether one way or return)

**Grip Conference Yr 6** 9/5/14 Week 2
Tweed Heads -$50.00 per student ($15/Bus travel:$35/Student admission)
Families requiring Student Assistance for this are asked to collect a student assistance form from the office.

**Musica Viva K-6** 21/5/14 Week 4
Dunoon Hall -$7.50 per student

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School Security
A reminder for all that the school premise IS NOT TO BE ENTERED out of school hours. This law applies to both adults and children.

Please contact the police or School Security Unit if you see people on our grounds out of school hours.

Lismore Police - 000 or 66260599
School Security Unit - 1300 880021
News from Year 5/6

The senior students have had a really productive and successful term. They have shown excellent attitudes towards learning and are really demonstrating some terrific leadership skills. Here are some of their comments on the term:

**Gabriella:** I really liked doing an imovie and a play about getting loopy. I also liked doing life education, now I will never smoke! I really liked doing team time, especially science with Mr Henderson. I also learnt about hyperbole.

**Faith:** This term I have really enjoyed music: singing, dancing, marimbas and percussion. It was spectacular. This term I have really enjoyed learning about recycling when we were doing getting loopy. It was a group challenge and it was so fun. This term I have loved training for cross country, it is getting me fit. I am loving the ‘Hating Alison Ashley’ book. It’s very interesting. Plus drama is cool and I love it. I really liked reading the plays and working as a group to do the acting.

**Tyree:** This term I really enjoyed playing marimbas, drama, Life Education, music, cross country, getting loopy, art (Monet gardens) and team time. I’ve really improved at spelling.

**Jason:** I’ve really enjoying this term doing morning exercise, cross country practice, Life Education, learning not to smoke and mindfulness. I really enjoyed cross country and getting fitter.

**Emily:** I’ve loved music when doing percussion with drums, getting loopy, doing an act and an imovie. I’ve absolutely loved doing my inquiry. Kids Connections has been really fun, I learnt lots more about healthy relationships. I’ve enjoyed practising for cross country and every time I do it I shave lots of seconds off.

**Poppy:** I’ve really enjoyed doing the mindfulness. Yesterday it really did work to calm myself down and to clear my brain. I’ve also had really great fun at every team time and I learnt a few tricks with skipping as well. I have also really enjoyed doing the rivers with Mrs Sanderson. I’ve loved Life Education and the book, ‘Hating Alison Ashley’. I have really, super, truly loved art. I really am a great artist now because of Miss McEwen and ArtSmart as well.

**Ruby:** This term I’ve really enjoyed reading ‘Hating Alison Ashley’. I’ve learnt lots of mindfulness skills and practising marimbas has been great fun. I’m really pleased with my cross country running and I’ve improved in my maths as well.

**Holly:** I have been loving doing morning exercises! It's a great way to start the morning and get ready for the day. This term I have enjoyed music and drama with Mrs McEwen. I love learning all the new skills she has taught me. I've been getting so much more fit doing training for cross country (I'm going to be SUPER fit by the time it gets to cross country).

**Sonny:** I've really enjoyed the getting loopy program, doing the loops of life. Mindfulness is really helping me in class. Also, cross country is getting me more fit. Life Education has taught me lots about cigarettes. The book, ‘Hating Alison Ashley’ is really great. I've learnt about precipitation and evaporation. I also learnt more about place value.

**David:** I've really enjoyed loopy, Life Ed., music, Hating Alison Ashley, Art Smart and Japanese.

**George:** I've really enjoyed this term. I loved learning the marimbas, 2 songs I've learned in the past month. Sonny and I have started up a hip hop group which has gone very well. Drama is one of my favourite subjects and I have loved it! I can now put a really good persuasive text together. Term one has been a really good start to the year!

**Harry:** This term has been awesome. I enjoyed reading, ‘Hating Alison Ashley’, Life Ed., singing and marimbas because Blake, Marlon and I have been making a song. I have designed the bass and the song is called Shine.

**Elijah:** This term I’ve really enjoyed cross country practice because I love sports. I liked mindfulness because you get a little rest and I liked team time because it is fun.

**Max:** I've enjoyed library, maths, spelling and handwriting. I've learnt about angles and triangles. I've also learnt more about high modality and hyperbole when writing expositions.

*Year 5/6 students at The Channon PS discussing ‘My family.’*
News from Mr Henderson

K/1 students have reflected on their favourite moments at school this term. Here are a few responses:

Nuala: “I liked doing handwriting, craft and maths. I like making raspberries and rainbows”.
Katariina: “I liked to read in Reading Groups”.
Lara: “I liked the letter R because we made ripe, red raspberries and rainbows”.
Darcy: “I love being in the Bananas reading group”.
Banjo: “I liked doing the experiment with water in the jar”.
Sam: “I liked doing secret messages and magnet racers”.
Will: “I liked watching ice cream in the ice cream machine”.
Madison: “I like the ripe raspberries because they are red”.

CONGRATULATIONS

Term 1 Week 10 Awards

Students of the Week
K/1 – Lara
1/2 – Gayatri
3/4 - Zali
5/6 – Poppy

Merit Awards
K/1 - Sam, Darcy, Olivia
1/2– Jemma, Jack, Will
3/4 – Zeke, Indigo, Kassie
5/6– Ruby, George, David

Aussie of the Month
K/1 Katie
1/2 Chloe
3/4 Noah
5/6 Holly

Gold Awards
Sonny

News from Mr Johnson’s Class

Here we are at the end of the first term already. The children have been working very hard in all areas. They are particularly enjoying their reading group activities and look forward to them each day. They are also enjoying writing stories and have become quite familiar in the procedural text type. Japanese is also very popular with the children. In Mathematics the class is learning about 3 dimensional shapes and their properties. The class has also gained great benefit from participating in the various team time activities. The children are eagerly training for the cross country which will be held early next term. They are all out to improve on their results from last year. I have been really pleased with the way the children are participating in the Mindfulness sessions in the classroom. They are beginning to develop an understanding of how it can benefit them in their lives. I hope everyone has a great holiday and arrives refreshed and ready for another exciting and busy Term 2.

Mr Johnson

Stories from 1/2

Mermaids (excerpt)

Once upon a time there lived two mermaids. Their names were Zoe and Tamika. They lived in a castle under the sea. They were royal! They loved riding their dolphins. The names of the dolphins were Caramel and Coco. The dolphins were golden. The mermaids wore violet coloured dresses. They both had red hair and had golden crowns with blue and red diamonds.

Eade Year 2

The Vampire

Once upon a time a big, old vampire went to my house. I could smell it. It was next to me. I got an onion. I made a necklace out of it. I threw it on his neck. He was gone. He ran and he was fast. He nearly bit me. It was freaky.

Darius Year 2

Happy Birthday!

Iris, Olivia and Darcy H will be celebrating their birthdays during the school holidays.

Happy Birthday to all of you!
Mrs Laverick’s Class (in pictures!)

Our Shoebox plant maze races were AMAZING!

We have been exploring 3D Shapes

Counting the 1004 paddlepop sticks! Students loved counting by bundles of 10. They also worked out fractions of colours. WOW!
Channon Market - THIS SUNDAY

We still need VOLUNTEERS
If you aren't on the roster and are available on Sunday please just come to the canteen at the Channon and we will give you a job.

We still need EGGS
Please leave any eggs at the school canteen on Friday or bring on the day if you are coming in the morning.

CAKES
Cake donations can either be left at the school canteen on Friday or given to Maree Mitchell at the Dunoon Store on Saturday at 4pm or brought to the market on Sunday.

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Canteen News

In Term 2 we will be trialling a new system for canteen. As mentioned in last week's bulletin we would like all families to be involved in providing lunch options. Many other small schools have a system in which the families provide the food on a rotational basis. They find it very successful for the families, the kids and the school in both raising funds, bringing families into the school and providing nutritional options for the kids. We hope that you will support us in this trial.

For those of you who missed last week's bulletin here it is again:

As many of you will be aware the canteen has become nonviable. Last year we conducted a survey to find out if parents felt that canteen was important and whether we should continue with it. The feedback from both the school community is that canteen is important. With this in mind, Kristy held a meeting to gather ideas. She also attended a conference in Sydney and discussed canteen options with other small schools who have similar issues to ours. With the support of the PandC it has been decided to try a different approach to canteen.

What we are proposing is that every family is rostered on to provide a food option for canteen. What this might look like is that 3 families will be allocated one week next term. Between the 3 families, 2 food options will be provided. That might be something cooked like a lasagne or something cold like salad rolls, the 2 options will include one vegetarian. The families can choose to donate the ingredients or will be reimbursed by the canteen. Then on the day (Friday) one or more of the families will be available at the school for approximately 2 hours at lunchtime to serve the food. If being at school is difficult due to work commitments we will deal with that on an individual basis. A system of pre-ordering on Wednesdays will be put in place so that the families know how much to make. If this works then each family should only have to do canteen twice a year and most of the work will be done at home. It is also an opportunity for us to use the canteen to raise funds (eg: If we can make a profit form canteen each week of $100 that would be $4000 for the year). Ideally in the long term canteen will be connected to the kitchen garden, the curriculum and the kids. In the short term we need a model that provides healthy food in a way that enriches the kids and the community. Any constructive feedback may be given to Kristy or Lisa.
Message from the Shop

Thank you to all the parents who have placed orders with us at the shop. It is doing much better than we could have imagined. We have had a few hiccups but everyone has been understanding. So again we thank you for your support. We have attached the pricelist to this newsletter for next term and also a reminder that orders do need to be in by 9:30. Enjoy your Easter Holidays!

Kristin and Shane Bradford

ALSO....the parents who expressed interest on the Voice lessons please could you enrol on the website www.nrcac.edu.au as we can not start them until there is 6 lessons booked. For more info you can also call 6621 2266. Thanks Kristin

Northern Rivers Conservatorium

Enrolments
Thank you for a wonderful first term of Music in Schools. Enrolment continues for the school year, so please remember to inform the Conservatorium with 2 weeks’ notice if your child is withdrawing from lessons at any time. There are vacancies for some instruments, and waiting lists for others – new students please contact the Conservatorium ASAP to be included in timetables for term 2. Enrol online at: www.enrol.nrcac.edu.au

Fun with Theory and Composition Software
Our school holiday Make-Up Master class is on Tuesday April 15 at 10:00. The tutor is Ms Lynne Compton, who is Musical Director for the Northern Rivers Youth Orchestra and leads many ensembles teaches a number instruments at the Conservatorium. Lynne will lead students through a series of games and activities to strengthen theory & musicianship, including aural skills, rhythm reading, and music technology. A great opportunity to make up for any missed lessons and broaden your music education. Free for enrolled 2014 Music in Schools students whose fees are up to date. Please register by Friday 11 April by phoning 6621 2266.