Performing Arts Festival (PAF)
The children are doing a great job with polishing their item! Please see details about PAF inside.

Preschool Visit
Yesterday we received a visit from the Dunoon pre-schoolers. Thank you to Kate for organising this visit.

INDIGENOUS LITERACY FOUNDATION
We had a successful day of fundraising for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation on Friday. We raised $523 from the book swap at school and the movie night at the hall on Friday. I would like to thank all the people who supported me as ambassador for the ILF and the generosity given to the cause. Thanks, Ruby (Year 6)

...and thank you to Ruby for all her great work!
Below are photos taken from the book swap at school.

Zone Athletics
Well done to all of the athletes who competed in the Zone Athletics last week: Emily, Gabriella, Elijah W, Faith, Ella, Indigo L, Rosie, Sam H and Jack S.
Special congratulations to Faith who will be off to Regional Athletics next Friday!

NOTES TO BE RETURNED
Performing Arts (fill out both sides)
Interrelate Yr 6 only
Teams Day Whole School
Yr 5/6 Lake Ainsworth camp/deposit note
Milo Cricket Day Yr 3-6 only
Jump Rope For Heart Sponsorship form
TOM notes given out yesterday (red note)

Week 6
Friday 22nd August  No assembly (PAF Practice)
Sunday 24th August  Tournament of Minds

Week 7
Wednesday 27th  Rehearsal K-6 Performing Arts Festival 10.15am—2.30pm
Thursday 28th  Performing Arts Festival Evening Performance 6pm

Week 8
Monday 1st Sept  Moving into Teens Yr 6 @Modanville
Wednesday 3rd Sept  Mindfulness in the classroom
Friday 5th Sept  Teams Day: The Channon Oval

Week 9
Wednesday 10th Sept  Milo Cricket Yr3-6
Friday 12th Sept  Jump Rope for Heart

Week 10
Monday 15th September  Moving into Teens Yr 6
Spelling Bee-selected students
Teams Day at The Channon
Teams Day is on Friday 5th September. This is an informal games day that aims to promote fun and sportsmanship. Parent helpers on the day are really appreciated, particularly as teams often need some guidance to move from game to game! Please call the office or let a teacher know if you can lend a hand. Thanks a lot!

Public Speaking
All of the children will be participating in our school’s Young Communicators program. Each child will present a short speech to their classmates in week 9 of this term. Teachers will be providing their class with the list of topics and class time will be utilised to work on speeches. Of course, it is completely fine for children to work on their speeches at home. Even with parental guidance with the writing of their speech, the children are the ones who actually stand and deliver it!

When each class holds their speech sessions, the teachers have the difficult task of selecting some children to present their speech to the school. These school finals will be held on Friday 12 September from 9.30 - 11am. As a result of these school finals, 2 children in Stage 2 (3/4 class) and Stage 3 (5/6 class) will go on to compete at The Big Scrub Public Speaking Competition which will be held on Wednesday 17th September at Jiggi PS.

Can you believe the size of this gigantic pumpkin? It has a mass of 42 kilograms! Great gardening, kiddos!

Jump Rope for Heart
Children from Dunoon Public School will once again be participating in the Jump Rope For Heart Program. Over the next few weeks children will be practising their skipping skills. The Jump Rope For Heart jump off will be held on Friday, 12th September, 2014. Children can raise money for the Heart Foundation by being sponsored by family and friends. Please find a sponsorship form attached to the newsletter should your child wish to participate in the fundraising. This form together with any money raised is to be returned to the school as soon as possible after or before Friday, 12th September, 2014.

There is an online payment option—see the registration form for details.

Year 5/6 news
Excursion
The Year 5/6 excursion to Lake Ainsworth will be held next term in week 10 from Monday 8th to Friday 12th December. We have held this excursion every second year for the past few years and it has always been a popular excursion with the senior students. The cost for this excursion, which will include accommodation, food and activities for the week, will be approximately $290.00. A non-refundable deposit of $20.00 will be required to secure a place. Please complete the attached note and return it with the deposit before 2nd September. Thank you.

Interrelate Program for Year 6
Year 6 students will have the opportunity to participate in the Moving into Teens program. The programs run for two Mondays (Wks 8 &10) at Modanville School. We would really appreciate offers to transport the children to Modanville on both of these days. Please contact the school if you can help out. Parents are also welcome to attend the sessions. Thanks

Please see information/permission note attached.

Enthusiasm, diligence and collaboration!
Thank you to the wonderful Stage 3 class for displaying such positive attitudes to learning! We’ve just started a new literacy unit based on the book, ‘Holes’ by Louis Sachar, and I have been so impressed with the standard of work produced. Keep it up, please!
News from the 3/4 class
Well, it’s been a great start! Thanks to all the families for welcoming me and thanks to the children for transitioning so well. As I said in the note I sent home last week, please feel free to come and see me before school, send me an email or phone the school to make a suitable time to discuss any questions/concerns you may have (or even just to introduce yourself, I’d love to meet you).
The Year 3/4 class has been working especially hard this past week on division. They’ve been able to share various strategies and are helping each other to find ways to understand this tricky topic. If you have time why not incorporate some discussion on this topic into your conversations at home? It can be as simple as talking about how you share food out between your family members. Or explain that you have 30 pegs and each item of your washing requires 2 pegs, let your child work out how many items you’re going to be able to hang up (you can change the numbers around to suit your child). Year 4 students are working on remainders so why not try the following game?

**Multiplication/division dice game:** take three dice and roll two. These two are multiplied to become the total. Then roll the 3rd dice and divide the total by this number. You can write the number sentence down (e.g. $3 \times 5 = 15$, $15 \div 4 = 3$ r3) model the number sentence with concrete materials (bits of lego, dried beans etc.) or draw it if needed. Then discuss why there are remainders.
Let me know how you go with it!
Thanks, Peita

News from K/1
K/1 students are having a busy and engaging time as we pass the halfway mark of Term 3. The year is flying by and the students are making real progress in their core literacy and numeracy skills. Recently we have worked on money concepts such as coin and note identification, adding money amounts, buying and selling. Students are reading analogue and digital times to the hour and half hour. They have also looked at finding the area of simple 2D shapes using MAB blocks.

Year 1 students have worked really hard during literacy lessons to improve their reading fluency, their spelling and their writing skills.
I have been very impressed with some of the students’ Home Learning efforts. Understanding that learning happens even when you’re not at school is a great habit to get into.

The Kinders were excited to host the Preschool kids for some reading time yesterday. They obviously enjoyed the chance to play the senior buddy for once!
And finally, I have been proud of the K/1 students’ involvement in PAF rehearsals. They have been enthusiastic and attentive, which we really appreciate.

The time came last week to finally pick our giant pumpkin. Mr Cameron and Mr Johnson did the honours of weighing our beloved vegetable, and the result? A whopping 42kg and 160cm around!!

We can’t wait to put it on display at the Lismore Show-surely it’s a winning entry.

Having fun on the clickers!

Happy Birthday
This week to Katariina, Hope and Leif
Enjoy your Birthday!
Dunoon Preschool Strategic Planning Group

Recently Kate Scanlan (preschool Director) asked me to invite members of the school community to join the Preschool Strategic Planning Group. Due to the current uncertainty of state funding for rural preschools and to have good business practices the preschool is developing a strategic plan to guide the next 3 years. As the preschool is one of only a handful of community based preschools in NSW we are very privileged in Dunoon to be given the opportunity to be involved in the guidance, development and support of this fantastic early childhood education facility. It is really important for the continued viability of the preschool, the school and our community to have current families, past families and the wider community involved in the discussion about the future of the preschool. If you are interested in being involved please contact Kate at the preschool on 66895396 or dunoon-preschool@iprimus.com.au

Thanks Lisa

Performing Arts Festival (PAF)

The children are really working well together as they work on perfecting their performance item for PAF. Thank you to the many families who have returned the note regarding your child’s involvement in this. If you have not done so, could you please return the note before this Friday? Thank you.

This Friday, children will be asked to bring along something which may be suitable to wear for the performance. We will be asking each child to wear something colourful-whether this is a dress, a t-shirt, a scarf, whatever! Please do not buy or make anything especially for this performance. We have some supplies that we can use, once we see what the children are wearing. If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact Genevieve, or any of the teachers, to discuss this. Thank you.

Here is the planned itinerary for PAF next week:

**Wednesday 27th August** - All children K-6 will be travelling by bus to the Lismore Workers Club for the Rehearsal. We will be leaving school at 10.15am and will leave the club by 1.45pm. There will be no cost to the children for this. If someone is able to transport the marimbas and wackies in the trailer, it would be greatly appreciated. Please see attached note.

**Thursday 28th August** - Only the marimba ensemble children will be involved in the matinee concert. They will be performing pre-show and as fillers as required during the show. These children will be asked to wear marimba t-shirts with black pants. The Dunoon school item will not be performed at the matinee concert. If there are any marimba parents willing to transport children that day, could you please get in touch with the school? Thank you!

**Thursday Evening 28th August** - The evening performance will be commencing promptly at 6:30pm and will be finished by 8:30pm. All children K-6 are involved in the evening performance. If you would prefer not to have your child involved in this, please get in touch with the school. Parents will need to take their children into the Lismore Workers Club by 6.00pm. Our item will be the opener of the concert so it will be really important that children are on time. Parents are reminded that they cannot collect children early. Thanks. Parents and children will meet teachers at the Dunoon meeting spot at the Workers Club...go up the stairs at the Lismore Workers Club and veer left towards the bistro. We will show the children this location when we go in for the rehearsal. This is also the area where we will bring the children at the end of the concert at 8.30pm.

**Tickets** :Online at www.lismoreworkersclub.com.au by credit card (collect from Front Desk before show). Or at the Front Desk at the Workers Club with cash or credit card. The doors will open at 6.00pm. Please be seated by 6.15pm. It is requested that the audience remain in their seats while an item is being performed and remain quiet during an item. **No student will be allowed to leave the Holding Rooms till after the last item** so please stay seated and enjoy the entire concert and remember that the auditorium is an alcohol free zone.
Dear Parent / Carer,

Variation of Routine / Excursion

Your child is invited to participate in the following activity: **Teams Day**. This is a whole school team sports day at Coronation Park, The Channon.

**Destination:** Coronation Park (where the Channon Market is held)  
**Students involved:** K-6

**Date:** Friday 5th September 2014

**Transport:** Parents may transport their own children to and from the park and meet us at Coronation Park, The Channon at 9.30am or children may catch the bus at a cost of $3.00 per child. The bus is limited to the first 51 students.

**Departure time:** 9.10 am sharp  
**Return time:** 3.00pm approx

**Dress requirements:** School uniform including hat

**Other Requirements:** Water bottle, recess and lunch. Suitable sports shoes for running (no soccer boots). Sunscreen (school has some for re-application during the day). There will be a canteen operating on the day.

Please complete and sign the consent form below and return (with monies if applicable, in an envelope) to the school office.

________________________________________________________________________________________

DUNOON PUBLIC SCHOOL - Variation of Routine/Excursion consent

I give my permission for my child /ren______________________________ to participate in Teams Day at The Channon, on Friday 5th September 2014

☐ I will be transporting my own child/ren

☐ I would like my child/ren to travel by bus at a cost of $3.00 per child. I understand this is available to the first 51 students.

☐ I have enclosed money for the bus.

Signed __________________________ Parent/Carer  
Date __________________________
Dear Parent / Carer,

Variation of Routine / Excursion

The Year 3-6 students have been invited to participate in the following activity: **Cricket NSW Milo T20 Blast School Cup.**

This is a fun-filled day with a focus on participation. The students will be attending the day with Mrs Patch and Mrs Sanderson.

**Destination:** Recreation Grounds Lismore  
**Students involved:** All Year 3-6

**Date:** Wednesday 10\(^{th}\) September

**Transport:** Bus  
There is no transport cost to students for this event.

**Excursion Cost:** Nil & All equipment provided by Cricket NSW

**Departure time:** 9.00am  
**Return time:** 2.30pm approx

Requirements: School Uniform including hat. Recess, Lunch & water bottle

Please complete and sign the consent form below and return to the school office.

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**DUNOON PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
**Variation of Routine/Excursion consent**

I give my permission for my child/ren ________________________________ to participate in CNSW Milo T20 Blast School Cup on Wednesday 10\(^{th}\) September 2014 at the Recreation grounds in Lismore.

☐ I understand transport will be by bus which is being funded by the school.

Signed __________________________ Parent/Carer  
Date __________________________
Canteen – Fresh Pies & Quiche
This Friday

*Helpers for 20-30min with cleaning up at 2pm would be wonderful*

*$3.50ea*

Meet Pie
Or
Cheese & Corn Quiche

**Recess:** Available for counter purchase - no pre-ordering

**Lunches:** must be PRE-ORDERED by the **Wednesday** before canteen.

*Please place order and monies in a bag or envelope* and place in the box in the office.

If you do not have the correct change, that is fine, I will give the change to your child on Friday. While everyone is still getting used to pre-ordering, I will still be accepting orders on the Friday morning, but this will be a transitional stage with the aim to have everyone pre-ordering at some point. To add incentive, those that do pre-order will go into a draw to win a prize (still working on what that may be)

**Needed for this Friday:**

Pie Makers

Eggs

Please contact Kristy on 6689 5568 if you have spare eggs or can loan a pie maker
It is on again....
Dunoon Sports Club's
MEGA
Mid Year
Raffle
Friday 29th August
40+ Prizes

Funds raised in support of local schools sports programs

MONSTER MASKS & LITTLE CREATURES
SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Where:
Northern Rivers Pottery Supplies
54d Terania Street, North Lismore (opposite Rainbow Health Foods and down the lane next to Laundromat)

When:
Tuesday, 23 September and Tuesday, 30 September
9:30am to 12:30pm

Cost:
$60. $20 non-refundable deposit required at time of booking.

All materials included

What to bring:
snacks and a drink and of course, enthusiasm!

This workshop is limited to 10 kids maximum
so please book early to avoid disappointment
Guaranteed to be loads of fun

SUNDAY 24TH AUGUST
RIVERSIDE PARK, LISMORE 10AM-4PM
Live music, fun, food, workshops. A day of exciting activities –
experience the wonders of science and push the boundaries of art.
Celebrating creativity, sustainability and environment.