As learners we will: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible

From the Principal

There is no doubt that we have skill and talent within our school......!! [ but we all know that ]

Last Friday our team of athletes went to Byron Bay for Zone Athletics. All athletes did their utmost best of course. In particular we now have Levi Cavanough heading to Regional Carnival for Discus and Shotput, Chloe James for High Jump and Shakaya Williams for Long Jump. This is regional level carnival and includes all school north of Foster to the Queensland border. It will be held Friday August 29th. Levi also came third as overall champion for Junior Boys. Congratulations, we do alright for a school of around 100 children. Go us!

Talent also is showing in the dance group that is rehearsing for the Lismore Performing Arts Festival. The group of around 20 students have been giving up some of their lunchtime to get the routine tight. Notes are going home with these children today. For those families, please be aware we need to get to Lismore for the daytime rehearsal at Lismore Workers Club.

Come on up to school on Friday morning

This week is Book Week and on Friday we are holding a Book Week Parade. Children are asked to come dressed as one of their favourite book or movie characters. The kids have fun doing this and seeing each other’s creations.

After the Parade we will be holding a Public Speaking competition. Classes 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6 are part of this. Children who have volunteered will be speaking on a range of topics and for many, it will be the first time speaking to a wider audience outside their own class. We will be selecting two children from 3/4 and two from 5/6 to speak at the Community of School Public Speaking Competition. This will be held at Evans River School later in September.

Public Speaking is part of the oral language strand of the English curriculum and is a handy life skill on top of that.

After the speeches, parents are welcome back in rooms to share some time with children. This will run onto lunchtime so please stay and join in a game in the playground. We would love to see you here.

New Canteen

The new canteen has opened well with lots of healthy food again coming out with the children. This is going well. Speaking of lunches, we have a lot of waste go into bins. Many children come with very large lunches and canteen orders, some often cannot finish all their food in one sitting. Much is thrown away. Teachers encourage children to take home unwanted food but our bins do eat very well.
**Teachers on leave/ sick**
This happens from time to time and, with lots of bugs being shared around children, it can’t be avoided. It is the policy of the school to always try to use regular casuals to relieve classes. We try to have casuals with skills that suit particular classes and that are able to develop a quick rapport with particular class styles and needs. Our children know our regular casuals. It is also a life skill to be able to be flexible and work with “changes” that may happen and be open minded to others.

From next Thursday [Aug 28th] I will be away until the end of Term. Mrs Olive will be relieving Principal. To keep consistency on 1/ 2 CO while Chesne in Principal, Michelle Woodley will be on class for all that time. If you need to call in or have anything to yarn over before I go please call up to school before next Wednesday.

Have a great week

"Develop a passion for learning. If you do you will never cease to grow"

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**Chat time……**
Please feel free to contact the office to arrange a suitable time to chat about any concerns or questions you may have, or if more convenient please email me at: jane.cottee@det.nsw.edu.au

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**Gubi Awards**

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Weekly Awards

**KCT**
Gillian Stewart—Trying to finish her work
Riley Eller—Working well in reading

**1-2CO**
Doug Williams—Improvement in reading
Amber Pollock—Always being respectful

**3/4MM**
Angel Spek—Great work on her speech
Shiarnah faint—Great work on her speech

**5/6 JC**
Paul Parker—Completion of his tasks
Bronte Phelps—Excellent ‘word work’

Water

About two thirds of our body is water
It carries food around our body
It carries away waste
It keeps our temperature steady
Drink plenty of clean, plain water: it is THE thirst quencher!

Reminder

We ask all students to wear school uniform. They are available from the Front Office with options to pay by cash, cheque or EFTPOS.

- **Educators and experts** believe that uniforms *contribute positively to students’ behaviour*. They believe that when students wear uniforms, they feel more professional and behave accordingly.

- **Easier Mornings for Parents**—When there’s no debate on what a student is allowed to wear to school, then that makes mornings easier for parents and for kids. Everyone knows exactly what the kids need to wear, their regulated school uniform. This can lead to a decrease in morning arguments.

- One of the most obvious arguments for school uniforms is that by having all children dressed the same, there is a *decrease in bullying and teasing*. In this era of status brands and high-fashion trends, clothing has become the definitive status symbol for children. By equalling the playing field with uniforms, there is less opportunity for children to be picked on or shunned for their clothes.

- **School Spirit**—Many experts believe that when the entire student body is dressed in uniforms, they develop a stronger team mentality. When they are all dressed alike, their *all-for-one-and-one-for-all* comradery is boosted.

Brain Teasers for Kids

Last week’s answers -
If 5 peacocks lay 10 eggs in 2 days, then when how many peacocks will lay 100 eggs in 24 days?
*A: 0, No peacocks lay eggs only peahens lay eggs!*

How many oranges can you put in an empty container?
*A: 1, then the container isn't empty*

This week’s teaser -
If it takes five men around three hours to dig three holes, how long will it take two men to dig half a hole?

*Answer next week*
The H Team from Brainstorm Production were a great hit on the day!

All the students who attended praised the performance and some said it was the best show they had been too.