

Lismore Primary School Scoop

*Lismore Primary School considers the safety of children as being of paramount importance.
Our school has a zero tolerance of child abuse.*



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FROM MY DESK ...

Week 6 and we are more than half way through Term 4, it's hard to believe how quickly the year has gone! Although we are quickly approaching the end of the year, there is still plenty of learning happening across the school. As well as our daily focus on the core subjects of English and Mathematics, students are also learning and engaging with the Science curriculum, Respectful Relationships and preparations for our end of year performance and graduation are well underway! It's an exciting time of year for all.

TRANSITION

Today is the second transition day for our 2020 foundation students! Our buddies are excited to once again welcome these new faces to our school and support them in a range of activities within the F-2 classroom.

COLOUR FUN RUN

Plans are in place to end the school year with a blast – a colour blast! We're excited to be participating in the School Colour Fun-Run this year! Our Fun-Run date will be **Thursday 19th December**, the last day of school for students.

The *School Colour Fun-Run* is a healthy fundraiser that we hope you'll get behind. The event sends a message to students about having fun while being healthy, all while helping the school raise funds. We hope you'll support our school and students in fundraising for the transformation of our outdoor eating space including landscaping and furniture!

Keep your eyes peeled for more information to come shortly but for now pop the date in your diaries. We'd love as many people on the day as possible to cheer the kids on! We're also looking for some helpers, so if you're available please let me know!



COLOURING COMPETITION / CAR BOOT SALE

Lismore Primary School supported by South West Healthcare is currently running a colouring competition for children in grades F-6. Entries are due back to school by this Friday 15th of November. All entries will be displayed at the Lismore Car Boot Sale this Saturday 16th of November. Community members are invited to vote on Saturday for their favourite coloured picture in each category. The two categories are Junior (F-2) and Senior (3-6). Votes will be tallied, winners announced and prizes presented by Health Promotion Officer, Ashleigh at a special assembly on Monday 25th November at 3:15pm. Happy Colouring 😊

'IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY' – Every Day Counts

Attending school on a regular basis is vital for all students in Prep to Grade 6 so that they can access all they need to learn throughout their 7 years of primary schooling. Attendance is related to curriculum in that if the students have a high absence rate, their immersion in the curriculum is severely reduced. Please read the attached documentation from the Department of Education regarding 'Every day Counts' and consider the number of days your child has been absent from school.

How many days of school has your child missed this semester?

0-6

This is within normal range. A child with this attendance rate is able to take full advantage of the teaching and learning opportunities available to them.

7-10

This attendance rate is below average. A child with this attendance rate could miss over one year of schooling between prep and Year 10.

11-20

This is a poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate could miss out on up to two years of schooling between prep and Year 10.

20+

This is a very poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate could miss over two and one half years of schooling between prep and Year 10.

Important Reminders:

- Students need to attend school regularly to make the most of educational opportunities.
- There is a direct link between school attendance and achievement later in life.
- Poor patterns of attendance in the early years lead to poor patterns of attendance throughout the school years.
- Poor attendance makes it difficult for children to form positive relationships with their peers.

Thanks for your ongoing support! Enjoy the remainder of the week!

Jess Kattwinkel

YOUNG ACHIEVERS OF THE WEEK



F-2 Class - Eden for displaying a positive attitude during maths, Eden has been trying very hard to learn how to write the number 8! Keep up the good work!



3-6 Class - Breeana for displaying a positive attitude towards all learning tasks and great determination to continuously improve!

HEALTHY SNACK IDEA

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
TO**

Ashlie

**We hope you have a
brilliant day.**



Peanut and Banana Roll-ups

Makes 4

Ingredients:

2 pieces of lavash bread

1 ripe banana, sliced

125g ricotta cheese

1 tbs peanut butter

ground cinnamon

Method:

✦ Cut the two pieces of lavash bread in half to make 4 pieces

✦ Mash together the banana, ricotta cheese and peanut butter

✦ Spread equal quantities of the mixture on each slice of bread

✦ Sprinkle with cinnamon

✦ Roll up tightly in plastic wrap and refrigerate until required

Respect Responsibility Excellence Persistence

Dates to Remember

Saturday 16th November	Lismore Car Boot Sale
Thursday 21st November	Mount Leura excursion
Wednesday 27th November	Foundation Transition 9.00am-1.00pm
Wednesday 27th November	F-2 movie night
Thursday 28th November	Curriculum Day for staff / NO SCHOOL
Friday 6th December	Responsible Pet Ownership incursion
Tuesday 10th December	Foundation Transition 9.00am-3.30pm/Parent Information
Wednesday 18th December	Graduation/Awards night
Thursday 19th December	School Colour Fun Run / Last day of Term 4 for students

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

On the 11th of November we went down to the war memorial in Lismore to join in the community commemoration of Remembrance Day. While at the ceremony, Holly and Dillon read a poem called 'For the Fallen'. They read it wonderfully. After they finished, Nikita, a great-great-granddaughter of a war veteran, spoke about the 119 trees that were planted along William Street in honour of the local soldiers and how only 15 of them now remain. The ceremony ended with the laying of the wreaths. It was wonderful to think that we were keeping the memory of the fallen soldiers alive and I hope we will be able to do it again next year.

Holly and Makaylah



In primary school, some students **miss** on average **3 weeks** of school **per year**. That's **half a year** of school by the end of **year 6**.



EVERY DAY COUNTS

Primary school attendance

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

What we can do

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term if it can be avoided.

"Day off" – Think twice before letting your child have a "day off" as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts.

Truancy – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent's permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.

- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child's school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an Infringement Notice.

If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit:

www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx