Dear Parents

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**MARCH:**
- Thursday 26th: Return Year 7 Expressions of Interest Forms
- Tuesday 31st: School Banking

**APRIL:**
- Tuesday 1st: School Banking
- Thursday 2nd: Last day of Term 1
- Friday 3rd: Good Friday
- Monday 6th: Easter Monday
- Monday 20th: Term 2 commences
- Tuesday 21st: Staff Development Day
- Tuesday 21st: Students Return to School

**YEAR 7 EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST:**
All Year 6 students would have received an expressions of interest for Year 7 High School last week (attached to the newsletter). Please return these forms by Thursday as we need to have them on the system as soon as possible.

**SCHOOL FEES:** School Fees are have been set for 2015. These are $75 per child or $100 per family. They consist of $50 towards fundraising, $10 to Tinsae (Sponsorship Child) and $15 per child or $35 per family for school fees.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could have these paid by the end of Term 1.

**ASSEMBLY:** Assembly will be held every second Friday at 2.45 pm in the new classroom commencing Thursday 2nd April.

**SCHOOL BANKING:** School banking day is Tuesday, please bring bank books to the office in the morning.

**FUNDRAISING:** We have received our Cadbury chocolates for this Terms fundraiser. 30 boxes have arrived. Each family will start off with 2 boxes each. Please sell as many as you can. Each bar is sold for $2.50. More boxes are available at the school, please just let the office know when you have taken a box. Thanks

**CLASS NEWS**
With the reopening of the bridge we are now operating back on our normal program so school commences again at 9:00am.
As part of the school planning process the three goals for the school are:
Successful Learners, Strong Community Partnerships and an expert Teaching Team.

As part of the first goal we are moving forward towards student-directed learning, which means that every student is “the director of their own future”.

Each student portfolio, which I create each year, will be the responsibility of the student. They will be plotting their own growth in learning by using “I can” statements and providing an example of what they can do.

Well done to the SRC and Mr Budden for a great day on Friday and the fundraising total of $36.00. We look forwards to the last day, when the Rural Fire Service comes to visit.

Barbara Walsh
Principal

TIPS OF THE WEEK

Practise to be a journalist

This website could definitely make practising writing and spelling more interesting for all of us. Make a newspaper clipping with your own headline and story. Your child may even start imagining themselves as a publisher or journalist. http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp

Safetytown website – A road safety education program

This innovative website reinforces the road safety messages that children are learning at school. It provides practical strategies to help families learn how to be safer pedestrians and road users. The seven key road safety messages cover pedestrian safety, car passenger safety, bus passenger safety and safety on wheels (bicycles, foot scooters, skateboards and rollerblades). For further details, visit https://www.safetytown.com.au

Back by popular demand

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they’re not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits. http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/nitbusters.aspx

Thinking on your feet

This week’s most common question on the School A to Z parent website:
Q: What’s a surd?
A: A number that can’t be simplified to remove a square root (or cube root etc). :eg: \(3\sqrt{11}\)

Bullying knows no bounds

When cyberbullying hits home - what one mum wishes she’d done differently. Because most cyberbullying happens in the home, parents need to be aware of the technology that young people are using. http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cyberbullying/when-cyberbullying-hits-home
Basketball Holiday Clinic

Lismore Basketball Stadium
342 Keen Street
Thursday 16th April
9am – 1pm
$10 per child

(5-14 Years)
Please bring your own lunch, drinks
Contact Tanya on 0410 777 572 for more info

EGGS

If anyone needs any eggs, we have some in the Fridge. $4 per dozen to be left at office or given to Jeanie Ryan. If you are in need of eggs regularly check the fridge. Thanks

RELAY 4 LIFE

If anyone would like to purchase raffle tickets for Casino’s Relay 4 Life (Cancer Council), please see Therese on Wednesday or Thursday. 14 prizes in total to be won. $2 or 3 for $5. Prizes are Screwdriver Set, 3 Tier Embossed Cake Stand, Candle Pack, BBQ Set, Cooking Pack, Bathroom Pack, Kitchen Pack, 4 piece Tune Up Kit, Ladies Pack and 5 separate cushion. Prizes drawn on Sunday 29th March at Casino Relay 4 Life.

Any one is welcome to register on the day or night ($20) and walk with us to beat cancer.