From The Principal

I would like to start by thanking my staff for their dedication in contributing to the success of the school and more importantly, student learning. This semester has been extremely busy, but they have always found time to take on extra duties, roles and responsibilities, even if it is sitting down and helping a student with their reading, writing, spelling or maths in their own time. Thank you!

Rena, the maize maze looks amazing! You have put a lot of effort into getting it ready for the season and the recent rain will hopefully help bring some growth.

We are approaching the middle of the term. Many of our year 4-6 students will be attending the Lake Ainsworth excursion in just 10 days time. I have looked at the itinerary and I think that the students will be kept very busy and made very tired. I would like to thank Carol Shipard for going on the camp to provide me to with time to look after my family. I would also like to thank JJ who is attending the excursion as a parent representative. I know that both of these people are well respected and known by the students, so the students will be in safe hands.

On Thursday afternoon we had our 2016 kindergarten information session. We currently have four students who will be commencing kindergarten at The Channon in 2016. If you are aware of any other students, or if you know of kindergarten students that may live in The Channon district and may be looking at attending another school, please let me know.

Finally, we have had a number of school age students leave our school over the past few years. This may be due to changes at home or changes at the school. Some of these students and families may still live within The Channon. I would like our school students, but more importantly our parents to always make these former families know that they are always welcome to come back to The Channon Public School. Leaving a school is hard enough, but I think going back is even harder, unless you feel encouraged and supported by your community. What ever their reason was is in the past. I am here to move this school into the future! If you see a former parent around the community, please let them know that they are always welcome to come back. We are an inclusive school; a small school with a big heart.

One return of sapling can create a big forest!

Stephen Manser

Principal
**Lake Ainsworth Excursion**

The major excursion for students in year 4/5/6 is only a week away. Parents please start preparing. Any medication must be clearly labelled with instructions and given to Mrs Shipard on arrival at the camp. Mrs Shipard and JJ Bruce will be accompanying the students on this excursion.

Parents need to transport their child/ren to and from this camp. They will need to arrive at 11am on Monday, 9 November 2015 and be picked up by 1pm on Friday, 13 November 2015. A copy of ‘what to bring’ is attached to this newsletter.

The cost of this excursion is $195.00 per student or $300.00 per family. Payments need to be finalised by Friday, 6 November 2015. If you have any queries please contact Mr Manser at school.

All other students not attending this excursion will have school has normal for this week.

**The Rivers Public Speaking Grand Final**

Next Wednesday, 4 November, 2015 all students in years 3/4/5/6 will travel to the Lismore City Hall by bus to attend The Rivers Public Speaking Grand Final. Travel will be by bus at cost of $7.40 per student. This should be a wonderful experience for all of our students, especially since Miriam will be representing our school in the Stage 3 Section. We wish Miriam all the best on the day!

Students need to be in full school uniform, wear covered footwear and school hat. They need to have recess, lunch and a water bottle. If the weather is fine they will be having their lunch in the park. The bus will be leaving at 9.15am and return to school by 2pm.

Please fill in the attached permission note and return to school with money by next Tuesday, 3 November, 2015.

**Newsletters**

Each week the eldest child in your family receives the school newsletter. If your child is away please ask them to get a newsletter from their class teacher when they return. Newsletters go home each and every Friday unless we have an activity on such as The Lismore Show last week and it would then go home on a Thursday instead. All permission notes go home on blue paper, please look because this means it needs to come back to school. Thankyou.

**Farmers Christmas Appeal**

Thankyou to all who have already contributed to this appeal. It is greatly appreciated. We have a basket in the foyer where you can leave your very valued donations. The basket has been filled once. The aim is to fill it four times. A small contribution will go a long way.
THE LISMORE SHOW
We really enjoyed the day!
**Leaders Report**

This week in the 3/4/5/6 class six of the Year 6 students got interviewed by four people from Richmond River High School about being in the High Achievers class. We all went in nervous but came out confident.

Four girls from Years 5 and 6 went to Sydney to perform in the Opera House with the small schools choir. Last week four people from Bunnings came and built a new sports shed for us and had a BBQ. They also helped us to make either a wooden toolbox or a wooden pencil case and inspired us to take on craftsmanship of our own.

Last week the whole school took a journey to the National Lismore Show to experience culture and local activities which include cow judging, Ashton’s Circus, Lumberjack show, animal petting and more. We hope you have a good weekend!

**Mitchel and Luke**

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**At The Lismore Show in the circus tent!**

**Zara performing at the circus!**

We were all so proud of her.

**Zara you are a star!**
My First Orientation Day for Kindergarten

The first kindergarten orientation day was held today. We welcomed four new students. The students had a wonderful day and their older peers certainly helped them feel comfortable.

Tahj helping Elwood with his craft

Tumahn working with Koen

Aslan helping Jai with his craft.

Ollie with a watchful eye over Felix
STUDENT AWARDS

K/1/2
Maude-
Showing good leadership skills!

Hunter-
Continuing to work well in Maths!

Milaya-
Working hard in Maths!

Saskia-
Continuing great work in reading!

Oliver-
Working very hard to improve his addition skills!

3/4/5/6
Pierce-
Presenting a detailed procedure to his classmates

Tahlo-
Illustrating an improved work habit and an increased level of maturity.

Jack-
Nice fluent reading with Mr Manser and a good knowledge of the comprehension questions.

Charlotte-
Demonstrated improvement and confidence in Mathematics.

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Week 5

Tuesday 3 November
P&C Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Wednesday 4 November
The Rivers Public Speaking Grand Final

Friday 9 November
Kindergarten 2016 Orientation

Week 7

Monday 9 November
Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Tuesday 10 November
Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Wednesday 11 November
Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6
Remembrance Day

Thursday 12 November
Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Friday 13 November
Kindergarten 2016 Orientation
Lake Ainsworth 4/5/6

Week 8

Monday 16 November
Kindergarten 2016 Orientation

Wednesday 18 November
P&C Meeting

Friday 20 November
Kindergarten 2016 Orientation
Giddy Up!

Melbourne Cup Lunch
(for grown ups)

All profits donated to The Channon Public School P&C

Come and enjoy a buffet lunch, a glass of champagne or beer, and the biggest horse race of the year.

When? Tuesday, Nov 3, 1pm
Race broadcast at 3pm
Sweepstakes tickets available

Where? 70 Izzard Rd, The Channon

$30 per person (includes lunch, welcome drink and one sweepstakes ticket)

Bookings essential – tickets limited

Call Simon or Bronwyn on 6688 6268 to reserve a spot now!
Village Blues - Dunoon Sports Club Sat. 31st Oct from 2pm

A reminder that some fantastic free kids’ workshops will be happening between 3pm and 4pm.

Including: Kid’s blues with Miss Jodie, a circus workshop with ReAct Circus and a harmonica/one-man-band interactive experience with Juzzie Smith for bigger kids of all ages!

Also, the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens stall will have some great activities from 2 to 4pm

All Welcome. No entry Charge
2016 KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM

Transition Dates
Friday, 30th October
9am - 1:30pm
Friday, 6th November
9am - 1:30pm
Friday, 13th November
9am - 3pm
Monday, 16th November
9am - 3pm
Friday, 20th November
9am - 3pm
Monday, 16th December
9am - 3pm

Music
Environment
Technology
Culture
Circus
HSIE
Performance
Science
Community

RESPECT
CARE
INTEGRITY
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