From The Principal

Today the family food and craft stalls raised approximately $216. This is a great result. Thank you to everyone for contributing to this fundraising event.

The students who attended the Lake Ainsworth had a wonderful week. The days were kept long, busy and tiring. School camps, especially in primary schools can make lasting memories. I have heard many funny stories, but also many success stories about students attempting tasks for the very first time, overcoming fears and achieving, such as Pierce reaching the top of the 18m high wall during rock climbing and Malaika singing and dancing in front of 200 students. Mrs Shipard commended the students on their pleasing attitudes and wonderful behaviour.

The end of the school year is just around the corner. Next week the students will attempt some assessment tasks to summarise work taught this term to be collated with results gained over the semester. These results will be reflected in the semester two reports that will provide parents with feedback about their child/ren/’s progress. The reports will be sent home before the end of term.

Finally, I would like to thank the students, parents, community members and staff for making today’s Food and Craft Stall such a successful event. The food was delicious and we appreciate the efforts that everybody put in to support this event.

Stephen Manser
Principal

Congratulation Miriam on your success at the Regional Public Speaking Grand Final
Christmas Concert

The end of year school concert will be held on Thursday, 10 December (week 10), at The Channon Hall. This will commence at 5:30pm and the formal side of the night should conclude by 7pm when the dancing begins. The Dunoon Football competition will not coincide with our Thursday night concert as the games have been cancelled for that week.

Year 6 Dinner

The year 6 dinner will be held on Monday, 14 December (week 11), commencing at 6pm. The dinner will be held under the COLA and meals will be provided by the year 5 students and their parents. Year 6 and year 5 students are invited to attend, as well as their parents, but we ask that other children do not attend. The reason that I have selected this day is because the year 6 students will be away on that Monday participating in the surf school program. This will allow the staff, students and parents the opportunity to decorate the COLA area in their absence. This will hopefully make for a nice surprise that evening. Secondly, it also provides the parents that are cooking time over the weekend to cook, rather than a week night.

Aboriginal Studies Program

On Thursday, 3 December, 2015 our students in 3/4/5 will travel to Dorroughby Environmental Education Centre by bus to attend the Aboriginal Studies Program. The bus will be leaving at 9.15 and return at 2.30pm. Our students must be in full school uniform, wear a school hat and covered shoes. They must have an environmentally friendly recess and lunch, (no plastic) and a water bottle. The cost is $8.30 per student.

This day includes Glen Rhodes delivering a Welcome to country Widjabul timeline and Dirrwong Story. Students will learn about Widjabul culture and build a model gunyah, learn about bush tucker and participate in interactive iPad activities. This will be a very rewarding day for our students. Please fill in the permission note attached to this newsletter and return to school with money by Friday, 27 November, 2015.
**Year 7 Orientation 2016**

Richmond River High School will be holding two Orientation Days for our students commencing Year 7 in 2016. These dates are Thursday, 26 November and Thursday, 3 December, 2015.

On Thursday, 26 November, our students will be able to participate in a variety of sports and get involved in the musical culture of the school.

At their second Orientation on Thursday, 3 December, our students will attend lessons throughout the day to model what high school is like. A ‘Parents Matter’ session will run in the morning on this day.

Our students will need to take along recess and a water bottle. A barbeque lunch will be provided on both days. Please take lunch if you do not want to eat the food provided at the barbeque.

Our students will need to wear covered footwear and a school hat as the school has a no hat, no play policy.

Our students will be able to purchase book packs when they attend the second orientation day. Please contact the school to find out prices.

Our students need to arrive at school by 9am and be collected by 3.15pm. Letters have gone home to parents of students from Richmond River High school. If you have any queries you can contact Richmond River High School on 66213456. A copy of the Orientation letter is attached to this newsletter.

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**Emergency Planning and Arrangements During The Bushfire Season**

The Channon Public School is identified as being a bushfire prone area. As part of our School Emergency Action Plan, in the event of a school closure we need to be able to contact all parents and carers of students at our school. It is very important that your details are up to date for this reason. These notes were sent home two weeks ago if you have not already returned this note please do so A.S.A.P.
Musica Viva

All students will be attending Musica Viva at The Channon Hall at 9.30am on Friday, 4 December 2015. The cost is $7.00 per student which covers entry. Students will be walking to and from the hall with their teachers on the day. The performance is called ‘The World According to James’. This highly respected jazz quartet is led by leading jazz trombonist James Greening.

‘The World According to James’ takes students from the rainforests of Australia to the streets of Buenos Aires, exploring styles as diverse as free jazz and modern tango along the way. Students will tango, play body percussion and help the group create improvised compositions. This will surely be a wonderful experience for our students. Please fill in the permission note attached to this newsletter and return to school with money by Friday, 27 November 2015.

Special Swimming Scheme

All students will be participating in the Special Swimming Scheme to be held at the Lismore Memorial Baths from Monday, 7 December until Friday, 11 December, 2015. The students will be having 2 lessons each day. The school and The Channon P&C will be subsidising this scheme, reducing the cost to $19.00 per student.

The bus will leave school at 10:45am and return by 2.40pm each day. The children will be accompanied by Mr Manser, Mrs Cantrell, Mrs Shipard and Rena. All swimmers will require swimming costumes, towel and sunscreen, optional is a rash shirt and goggles. The students will take their bags to the pool, including their lunch and drink, and change into their swimmers at the pool and back into their dry uniforms once they have finished their lesson. The students will eat their lunch at the pool once they have changed back into their dry school uniform. Please return the permission note with payment by Friday, 4 December, 2015. We also need parents to fill out a swimming ability form attached to this newsletter to assist with organising each group. Please return this with the permission note.

BookClub

If any families would like to order from Book Club please ensure you return to school with money by next Wednesday, 25 November, 2015. This the last book club for this year. Please note that we cannot accept later than this to ensure the books arrive at school by end of this term.
From Mrs Cantrell

I’m very impressed with how well everyone in K/1/2 is working! We have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes. Last week we were lucky enough to have Mr Ellemor-Collins come in and do some great work with us. While Dave worked with a group using 3D shapes to make patterns, I worked with another group to make ‘Flip, slide, turn’ books and Miss Wilson worked with another group to play 2D dominoes. It’s great to play, have fun and learn at the same time!

While students were investigating ways to make hexagons using smaller shapes and how many triangles would be needed to cover all the hexagons with Mr Ellemor-Collins, Milaya suddenly realised “6 in each hexagon, I have 6 hexagons, so that’s 6 times 6..36”. Well done Milaya!

Farmers Christmas Appeal

It is wonderful to see so much kindness and generosity from our fellow community. Thankyou to all of those families who have donated goods for our Farmers Christmas Appeal. We have been informed that they have made three hundred hampers already. We will be sending our goods at the end of the school day next Monday, 23 November, 2015.

We have been informed that they need socks for the farmers if anyone would like to bring some in on this day it would be greatly appreciated. Thankyou Mrs Shipard for organising this very special appeal.
**Sun Safe Hats**

It has been pleasing to see more and more students wearing their school sun safe hats in the playground. If your child has their school hat at home, please ensure it is sent to school. I urge students to avoid wearing baseball caps as these do not provide adequate protection from the sun especially in our warm climate. I also remind students not to wear each other’s hats in an attempt to prevent head lice occurring.

**Leaders Report**

Last week year 4/5/6 students went on their school camp to Lake Ainsworth Sports and Recreation centre. We did many exciting activities including sailing, raft building, rock climbing just to name a few. It was an enjoyable experience for all of us. We also learnt that going to bed early at camp is critical!

The bake and craft sale was held today and it was great to see so much delicious food. It tasted great.

The corn maze is coming together nicely thanks to the hard work and efforts of Miss Rena and all students from K to 6 as all students are contributing to the garden.

Have A great Week,

Miriam and Luke

**The Channon P&C Meeting**

Due to this week’s postponement we will now be holding our next P&C meeting here at school next Wednesday, 25 November, 2015 at 3.30pm. This was due to a lack of numbers. We look forward to seeing you all there next week.

**Child Protection and Safety**

On Monday the students will be revisiting and revising some of the content taught this term about Child Protection. This is an important component and the education of this is extremely important. We are so impressed by the positive and mature attitudes that all students take into these lessons and as a result they are getting a lot out of the lessons.
School Concert

The Channon Public School would like to invite all families & community members to our School Concert to be held on Thursday, 10 December, 2015.

This will be held at The Channon Hall commencing 5.30pm
Students need to arrive by 5.15pm
Please bring a plate of food to share for supper
We are looking forward to seeing you all there!
LAKE AINSWORTH CAMP
We had a fantastic time!
STUDENT AWARDS

K/1/2
Jett-
For Impressive progress in Reading!
Eloise-
For great work in Art!
Jeremy-
For increasing maturity in class!
Milaya-
For continued improvement in Maths!
Beanie-
For great progress in Reading!

3/4/5/6
Tameeka
Always being actively engaged and listening well when learning.

Luke
Remaining resilient and trying his best in music regardless of how hard the task may be.

Bodhi
For being a supportive and kind friend to Manu which has helped him feel comfortable.

Rain
Always displaying motivation, determination and confidence when attempting any task, but especially when it is difficult or challenging.

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Week 8
Wednesday 25 November
P&C Meeting at 3:30

Thursday 26 November
Year 7 Orientation Day
at Richmond River High School

Week 9
Thursday 3 December
Year 7 Orientation Day
at Richmond River High School
Aboriginal Studies Program

Friday 4 December
Musica Viva

Week 10
Monday 7 December
Special Swimming Scheme

Tuesday 8 December
Special Swimming Scheme

Wednesday 9 December
Special Swimming Scheme

Thursday 10 December
Special Swimming Scheme

Friday 11 December
Special Swimming Scheme

Week 11
Monday 14 December
Surf School Year 6
Kinder 2016 Orientation
Year 6 Dinner
School and Community

Xmas Party & Free Family Fun Day!

Kidz Klub Active Zone
Kids Yoga
Circus Workshops
Teen Hangout Zone
Frisby Fun, Arts & Crafts
Face Painting, Santa,
Sausage Sizzle,
Monster Water Fight
& more!!

When: Sunday 29/11/15 at 9am–1pm
Where: The Channon Oval, NSW 2480

Friends & Families are welcome so...
come along and have some fun!

BYO: chairs/ picnic blankets, food & drinks, appropriate footwear, sunscreen,
sunglasses, bikes/bikes' helmets, a towel, spare change of clothes & water bottles.**** NO water bottles, pets or alcohol allowed.*****

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Young Carers Project

Are you a student with a significant caring role?
This project supports students 18 years and under who have a significant caring role to complete their secondary education.

What is a Young Carer?
A Young Carer is someone who provides significant support for a parent, partner, child, relative or friend who has chronic illness, disability, mental illness, alcohol or other substance dependence or is frail aged.

What can we do?
Support is based upon the individual needs of the young person but may include some of the following examples:
- Respite – a short break from your caring responsibilities to spend time on school work or other school activities.
- Tuition support
- Material resources such as school books or uniforms
- Support to attend school activities
- Referral to appropriate services.

What will happen if I call your service?
Young Carers or their advocates will complete a Young Carer eligibility assessment that will inform us of the scope of your caring role and help us understand the challenges that may be present.

We will then discuss what supports would best assist your situation and who may be available to help. We can then provide assistance to bring these supports into place and help you stay at school. You can contact us whenever you need.

This is a free and confidential service. Contact the Commonwealth Respite and Carelink Centre Far North Coast on 1800 052 222.