From the Principal

Brrrr!! This morning I felt the first real bite of Autumnal chill. I have to say I always enjoy the cooler months. Maybe being born in Papua New Guinea has something to do with that. My family always enjoyed ‘going South’ for the holidays, and cool weather was a real novelty. Though I must say that when I’m standing out on duty in a biting winter wind, the novelty begins to wear thin!

I wrote the previous paragraph on Wednesday. Today feels like high summer! I feel like I’m being pasteurised!

On Wednesday Miss Rena’s class went to the Sustainability Forum. It was a great success, so thank you, Miss Rena, for all your hard work and that of your class. I especially want to thank Tamlin Mackenzie for going along to help out. We are lucky to have parents like Tamlin who add so much to the engagement and learning of our students. Thanks also to Bronwyn McNulty and Hayley Foster-O’Neill for helping out with Home Readers in the K/1 room. Your time is valuable and much appreciated!!

Our Easter Hat parade will be on the last day of school. We have invited the pre-schoolers up to parade their great hats and stay and have lunch with us. We are hoping to see some fabulous millinery creations, so please feel welcome to join us! Our new principal, Stephen Manser, will also be joining us on that day. He’s hoping to meet as many parents as possible so that he can speak personally to all our parents and care-givers. Mr Manser will be available for interview on this day from 8.10am until 5.20pm and Good Friday from 8.10am until 12.10pm. Please phone the school office for an appointment on 66886236. It will be a busy day for Mr Manser and I know the community will be eager to meet him.

On a last cheery note, we have a case of chicken pox in the school. We are including information about what symptoms to look out for, such as the sudden onset of a slight fever, a runny nose and generally feeling unwell. Please keep your child at home if you think they may have this viral illness. It is usually a relatively mild illness in children, but can make adults and immunosuppressed people very ill.

Diana Cantrell
Relieving Principal
Family Interviews with Mr Manser

Mr Manser would like to take the opportunity to meet with each family when he visits on Thursday, April 2. This is the last day of school for term one, so it will allow you to put a face to the name before the holidays begin. The meetings will be conducted at school and take about 10 to 15 minutes either in person or by phone. The meeting would allow Mr Manser to meet you, but more importantly it would provide you with the opportunity to contribute your opinions and discuss future directions for the school with Mr Manser. If you would like meet with Mr Manser, please contact Mrs Luce at school on 66886236 and select an available time. Interviews will be conducted from 8:30am through until 4pm with a break allocated for the Easter Hat Parade and on Good Friday from 8.10am until 12.10pm.

Small School Opera House Choir

This week notes went home to our students participating in the Small School Choir performing at the Performing Arts and Opera House this year. The first practice for Performing Arts Choir will be held at Modanville Public School next Tuesday at 10am transport is by private car. Students are required to pay $15.00 for the cd and t-shirt to be worn at the Performing Arts. These students are also required to pay a non-refundable $50.00 deposit for each person attending e.g. if parent going with child a deposit of $100.00 is needed; by Friday 27th March 2015.

University Of NSW Competitions for Schools

We have been informed that the close of date for the computer test is next Monday. All other entries can be submitted at the end of this term. If you wish your child/ren to participate please ensure that you return your note with money by these dates.

Harmony Day

Tomorrow is Harmony Day this the day we celebrate Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

This week students in K/1 made a poster of what they think Harmony means to them and their beautiful people chain to show that we are all special! Doesn’t it look great!
STUDENT AWARDS

K/1
Bella-
Working hard on phonics!
Jett-
Showing a great reading skills!
Panía-
Working hard in phonics!
Jeremy-
Going up another reading level!
Hunter-
Going up another reading level!

2/3
Oliver-
Huge efforts in writing!
Finn-
Great progress in non-fiction!
Jazmin-
Super Homework Slayer!

4/5/6
Mitchell-
For effort and self regulation!
Rain-
Caring for others!
Djuan-
Dedicated effort in Writing!
Izaiah-
Leadership skills!

Special Canteen
On Thursday, Miss Rena and the 4/5/6 class created a wonderful canteen. They worked so hard and made delicious food for the whole school. We had pumpkin scones and pumpkin pie, a gorgeous South American Peach drink, pesto pasta, cassava balls and so much more. It was yummy! Thank you so much to Teri for coming in and helping. Teri played us a beautiful South American song and showed us some lovely textiles from her time in South America as an exchange student. It was a very special lunch. Thanks Miss Rena for organising it!

Leaders Report
This week the 4/5/6 class went into the Waste Facility. We did water testing and water bug identifying. After that we did a teaching teachers presentation.

Yesterday the 4/5/6 class made canteen which was delicious!

Mitchell

Happy Birthday!
Saskia Whyte
26.03/15
Bella Kilpatrick
28.03.15
**Today’s Excursion**

Today we went to the environmental centre near the dump. We got to do lots of fun activities like water testing, walking through the Botanical gardens and we got to teach the teachers how to be environmentally friendly. After that we got to go roller skating at the roller skating rink in Lismore we roller skated for an hour and ten minutes then we got to jump on the bus and got back to school and had a talk about canteen and then I wrote this. The end…

*By Izzy*

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**Today’s Excursion**

Today we got to go on the waste facility and Teach the teaches of other schools that we didn’t know. We did water testing on their little dam. It had lots of water scorpions. We found a rare insect but I can’t remember what it was called. We explored a hoop pine forest that was very high.

We did a presentation that was about saving electricity. My group was Izzy, me, Tahlo and Rain. After that we got to go skating at the skating ring. I fell over lots of times we did limbo. Malaya won because she is the smallest. I had lots of fun. We got a tiny bus. The waste facility is at the dump. When we got back to school I wrote a recount about the excursion we just went on.

*By Djuan*

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**Today’s Excursion**

Today we went to Lismore Waste Facility to teach the teachers about sustainability. When got there we had morning tea. After that we went for a walk in a 30 year old Hoop Pine forest then we sat and talked in a place called Sit and Ponder, then we went back and did water testing.

*By Rain*

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**Waste Facility Excursion**

On the 18 of March the Four, Five, Six class went to the Lismore waste facility we did our teaching teachers speech. We also did water testing and also identified water creatures. We went to the hoop pine forest. We went to the skating rink. I sprained my wrist it was fun.

*By Mitchell*
Factual Recount of 4/5/6’s exertion!

18/3/2015

Today the 4/5/6 class went to the very interesting waste facility. When we got there we had a fantastic morning tea that had been put on for us by the lovely volunteers. Then we went for a walk in the relaxing Hoop Pine Forest. Then we went up to the dirty dam and did water testing with the teachers. Then we went and did our nerve racking presentation in front of the teachers. After that we got on the bus and went to the Roller Skating rink and had heaps of fun. Then we came home and wrote this. All-in-all we had a great time and are now really tired and sore.

By Malaika

Lismore Tip

Today we went to the environmental centre at the Lismore tip. We did lots of fun activities and one of them was water testing. After that we went and did our presentation on how we were becoming a sustainable school and about saving electricity. We also had recess there and it was delicious.

After that we went to the Lismore roller skating rink and had lots of fun. We had races around and played tips. After that we went back to school and talked about canteen then we went and wrote a factual recount about what we did.

By Raphael

Teach The Teachers And Roller Blading

On the 18th of March, the 4/5/4 class went to the Waste Facility to teach the teachers from other schools about how they can make their school a better and healthier school.

First we went to go for a walk in The Hoop Pine Forest, and Raphael found tongs in a bush in The Hoop Pine Forest.

After we went to The Hoop Pine Forest, we went to do an experiment on the Waste Facility’s little dam. Then we went to actually teach the teachers from other schools.

Then we went to the Roller Skating rink and everybody I’m sure, everyone had a REALLY AWESOME time!!

By Indi
P&C News

Election Day Cake Stall

What’s cooking Good looking?

Hi Parents,

Please get ready this week to bake a cake, slice, scones or collect tea coffee or milk to donate for our P&C fundraiser next Saturday 28th at the Channon Hall polling booth.

Boxes for Cakes will come home with your children next Thursday and baked goods can be delivered to the hall on Saturday from 7.30 onward of Friday evening at Tamlin's house in the Village (29 Nimbin St).

Thank you for supporting us to raise funds for our school.

Community Announcements

WORKING BEE

THE CHANNON PUBLIC HALL

SUNDAY 22ND MARCH FROM 9 AM

If you are free to help we would greatly value any extra hands!

Please help us to look after this valuable community asset so that it can be enjoyed by everyone.

Items on the “wish list” include

General cleaning and de-cobwebbing

Fixing of back gate and small areas of paving

Weeding and clearing rubbish from grounds

Kitchen cleaning and inventory

Cleaning of gutters, gurneying exterior of building

Tidying storage area under hall

Painting fence gate and wooden balustrade

Thanks from The Channon Public Hall reserve trust members

For enquiries call Jane Tierney on M: 0421 503 726
WE WOULD LIKE TO WARMLY INVITE
ALL OF OUR FAMILIES AND PRESCHOOLERS

TO

THE CHANNON PUBLIC SCHOOL
EASTER HAT PARADE
THURSDAY 2ND APRIL 2015
COMMENCING AT 12.30PM
WE WILL BE SHARING
A PICNIC LUNCH AFTER THE PARADE
PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS PLEASE
HELP YOUR CHILD/REN MAKE A HAT

EASTER
Greetings