From The Principal

On behalf of the staff, I would like to firstly congratulate all of our students on two exceptional performances at the Performing Arts Festival. We are an inclusive school as all 46 students had a significant role and responsibility in the item. I am proud to be your Principal and it was an honour to share such an amazing moment with the children.

“\textit{I believe that we learn by practice. Whether it means to learn to dance by practicing dancing or to learn to live by practicing living, the principles are the same. Practice means to perform, over and over again in the face of all obstacles, some act of vision, of faith, of desire. Practice is a means of inviting the perfection desired.}” – Martha Graham

Our involvement in the Performing Arts Festival could not have happened without the long hours in planning, preparing, designing and rehearsing that the dedicated staff put towards bringing the item together. Diana, Carol and Rena, your hard work and commitment did not go unnoticed and I know that along with myself, the students and parents will thank you in the coming weeks. We appreciate your hard work, commitment and enthusiasm!

This certainly demonstrates that we work in a collaborative and cohesive teaching and learning environment.

I would also like to thank the parent helpers that have volunteered their time leading up to PAF as well as on the night. Julie, you took the singing voices to a new level and the confidence during the performance resulted in strong voices. I would also like to thank Chrissy and fellow parent helpers for getting back stage to help with the face paint and props. Many hands certainly made light work.

The item demonstrated a diverse range of talents. I was able watch, or listen to most school items at the two concerts and I strongly believe that The Channon displayed the best array of talents. I can’t recall seeing too many other schools that had; circus, drama, instrumentation, choir and costume/prop design within one item that was inclusive to every student in their school. I’m sure many others noticed this too!

Melody and Talia—Not many people get the opportunity in life to feel that emotion at the end of a song or when they have achieved something great in front of an audience. The emotion comes from that split second of silence between the last note and the eruption of clapping and cheering. You may not know it now, but the memory of that feeling, that moment, will remain with you both for a lifetime.

Now we look ahead to three very busy weeks, not to say that the last seven haven’t been uneventful. Today the students participated in the final cricket skills sessions with Luke. Teams have been selected for the gala day that is coming up on Wednesday, 9 September, in Lismore.

On Monday, we have some students in stage 3 attending the “Moving into Teens” and “Minding Me” personal development workshops that will be conducted over the next two Mondays.

On Tuesday, Mrs Shipard will be heading to Kadina High School with 14 students to participate in a chess day. And of course we have a 46th Annual Team's Day that will be on Friday.

\textit{Stephen Manser}

\textit{A Very Proud Principal}
Community Partnerships

Our community partnerships program will commence next week. This program is in response to the success of the Sporting Schools program run in term two, as well as parental requests to provide our students with activities after school other than just computers.

All students remaining at school after 3pm will attend these workshops that will commence at 3:10, however they will be able to leave at any time before 4pm if they are being picked up by the first bus or by car. If you don’t want your child/ren to attend these workshops, please contact the school so that we can discuss this further.

If you would like to pack extra food for your child/ren to eat between 3pm and 3:10pm please do.

It has been so positive to have an overwhelming response to the after school community partnerships program. We will follow the following timetable for the next three weeks.

This program will be open to all students, but we do ask that students travelling home by car are picked up by 4pm on the workshop days.

There will be a variety of workshops running four days a week, as Rena runs her main circus group on a Thursday afternoon. This program will start next week.

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The Rivers Chess Competition

Next Tuesday, 1 September, 2015 selected students will be travelling by bus to Kadina High School to participate in The Rivers P-12 Chess Competition. This should be a wonderful day for our Chess enthusiasts, where they will be able to play chess with their peers throughout the Lismore region. Mrs Shipard will be supervising the students at this event. Students need to be at school by 8.45am as the bus will be leaving by 8.55am. The school will be covering the cost of the bus so students only need to pay $5.00 for entry.

Students need to be in full school uniform wear covered shoes and school hat. They will need to bring recess, lunch and drinks. A permission note is attached to this newsletter. Please return note with money to school by next Monday, 31 August, 2015.
Minding Me & Moving Into Teen
Interrelate Family Centres will be offering a course for students in Year 6 to prepare them for High School called “Moving Into The Teen Years” which explores a range of adolescent issues. The program runs for 90 minutes over a two day period. This will be held at Modanville Public School on Monday, 31 August and Monday, 7 September, 2015. The program will run from 9.30am to 1.00pm each day. Parents will need to transport their child to and from this event. The cost is $36.00 per child which covers the cost of the course, work book and “100+ Questions Kids Have About Puberty”.

Interrelate Family Centres will also be offering a course for students in Year 5. This fun and informative program explores the value of good communication within families and relationships, as a way of better understanding each other and reducing conflict. The program runs for 90 minutes over a two day period. This will be held at Modanville Public School on Monday, 31 August and Monday, 7 September, 2015. The program will run from 1.30pm to 3.15pm each day. Parents will need to transport their child to and from this event. The cost is $16.50 per child which covers the cost of the course and a work book. Notes went home last week.

MILO Cricket Gala Day
All students in years 3/4/5/6 will participate in the ‘Milo Cricket Gala Day’ to be held in Lismore on Wednesday, 9 September, 2015. This will be a fun day where they will play cricket with their peers across the Lismore Area. The ‘Sporting In Schools Program’ is paying for the bus so there is no cost to students. The bus will be leaving at 9am. Students need to be in full school uniform, wear covered shoes and school hat. They will need to bring recess, lunch and a water bottle. Permission notes went home last week.

Book Week Parade and Book Fair
On Tuesday, 15 September, 2015 we will be holding our Book Week Parade at 11.30am here at school. Students and Pre-schooler’s are able to dress up as their favourite book character.

We will be also be holding a book fair in the Library on this day where families will be able to purchase books from Preschool to Year 8. Parents please note that you will need to bring in the money on this day to pay for these books. Cheques are to written out to The Channon School.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C Meeting will be held next Wednesday, 2 September, 2015 at 3.30pm here at school. We look forward to seeing you all there!
Public Speaking Competition

Next Thursday, 3 September, 2015 Melody, Miriam, Malaika and Tajiria will be representing our school at the next stage of the Public Speaking Competition at Jiggi Public school. Transport is by private car. Notes went home last week. Mr Manser has given a program to these students. Parents if you have any queries please see Mr Manser at school. We wish them all the best on the day!

School Councillor

Our school councillor will be visiting next Thursday, 3 September, 2015. If any families would like to make an appointment for their child/ren please ring Mr Manser at school.

PAF Photos & Video

If anyone has any photos from the PAF, please email: Stephen.manser3@det.nsw.edu.au

If anyone recorded Wednesday nights performance, we would love a copy.

Thanks Sarah for the following photos.
**Teams Day**

This year Teams Day will be held on Friday, 4 September, 2015. This is a major fundraiser for The Channon P&C and we need all families to help in some way, whether doing a roster or donating goods.

Thank you to those families who have already handed in rosters. We still need more families to help out in some way. Please fill in the Roster attached to this newsletter and return to school A.S.A.P. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.
WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL OF OUR FAMILIES, PRESCHOOLERS AND THEIR TEACHERS TO OUR BOOK WEEK PARADE HERE AT SCHOOL
ON TUESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER, 2015
COMMENCING AT 11.30AM

WE WILL ALSO BE HOLDING A BOOK FAIR IN THE LIBRARY WHERE YOU CAN PURCHASE BOOKS FROM PRESCHOOL AGE TO YEAR 8 PLEASE BRING MONEY ON THE DAY FOR THESE BOOKS

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL THERE!
School and Community Announcements

CALLING ALL CRICKETERS

Clunes Junior Cricket Club (CJCC) invites all Boys and Girls, aged 6-16 years, to come along and play cricket this summer.

Players for MILO in2cricket, T2o Blast, Under 12’s, 13’s, 15’s and 17’s are wanted.

All new and current cricketers are encouraged to register soon.

To receive a registration form or for any further enquiries, please email ClunesJuniorCC@outlook.com.au

Dunoon Sports Club

MEGA RAFFLES

Friday 28th August 2015

Donated by Farm Moto

40 + Prizes (not just meat trays)

We are raising funds so that we can sponsor local schools’ Learn To Swim Classes

Come along and buy some tickets - you may win some fabulous prizes as well as support your club’s endeavour