Students who walk to School
Student safety is paramount to us at Lismore Heights PS, and we want to ensure that our students arrive at school safely each morning. Recently, there have been a number of reported incidents of students from our school crossing roads on their way to school without paying due care and attention. Thankfully, there have not been any accidents. There are two main areas of concern, the first relates to students crossing the Bruxner Highway without using the underpass. As you are aware, the Bruxner Highway is a busy road, please reinforce the importance of students using the underpass to cross the Bruxner Highway. The second concern relates to children crossing High Street near to the Bruxner Highway junction, please remind your children about the need to cross the road at a safe place, well away from the junction. These messages will be reinforced at school.

Parents’ Information Evening
Thank you to all those wonderful parents who attended the Parents’ Information Evening last Thursday. It was a great turnout and reflects the high levels of support within our parent community. We had lots of positive feedback on the information provided, and we intend to organise a similar event with a different focus next Semester. Anyone wanting a copy of the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) brochure that we handed out on the night can collect one from the school office. Thanks again for your excellent support.

Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
A reminder to all families that this weekend coming is a long weekend. Monday 9th June is a public holiday to celebrate the Queen’s Birthday. School resumes on Tuesday 10th June 2014.

Multicultural Public Speaking
The Multicultural Public Speaking Finals are being held at Lismore Heights PS on Thursday 12th June. We would like to wish the LHPS students lots of luck as they take on other primary schools from across the Region in this highly competitive event.

NAIDOC Week Celebrations
We will be celebrating NAIDOC week during Week 9 this term (23–27 June). On Monday June 23 we will hold a special assembly which will include Welcome to Country, Aboriginal Dancers, native tree planting and an exhibition of Aboriginal Art created by the students (time to be confirmed). On Thursday June 26 a significant number of our students will be attending the NAIDOC celebrations at the Show Ground from 10am – midday. And our celebrations will conclude with a FREE BBQ and Aboriginal activity afternoon on Friday June 27 from midday – 2pm.

We would like to invite parents to join us for these events. We especially require help with supervision during the NAIDOC celebrations at the Show Ground. Please contact Mrs Clarke if you are able to help out with this event. Without sufficient parental support we will be unable to take as many children as we have planned.
**Week 7 Focus Rule**

**BE SAFE, BE RESPECTFUL, END OF DAY ExITS**

Could you talk to your children about ‘Being Safe’ and ‘Respectful’ whilst leaving the school grounds. LHPS expects all students to exit the school in a safe and respectful manner. Ask your children about what they think that would look like. Some hints could be, walk and be kind to each other.

The PBL team thank you for your support at home and reminding your children of the importance in following our core rules.

Be SAFE, Be Respectful and Be a Learner

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**P&C News**

This term we have had several successful fundraisers. The Mother Day stall raised $320 and the Woolworths BBQ raised $308. Thank you to Benjamin Gordon and his team at Woolworths Goonellabah for their help with the donation of all groceries and the use of their equipment for the BBQ during their Fresh Food Fair held on the 18th May. The information night made a profit of about $240 dollars and the Bunnings BBQ raised $1281.30. Thank you to the committee and our volunteers who helped out on these events without your help we would not be able to raise all this money for our school community. The contract for the cover on the Junior playground has been signed and we are awaiting dates for construction to begin. The P&C and school has combined to raise around $35,000 as a joint venture towards this project.

The next P&C meeting is on Wednesday, 25th June at 7pm in the staff room. One of the topics for discussion will be to survey parental opinion on a new school shirt. Please come along to have your say and support our school community.

Regards, Stacey Yates, P&C President.

**Sport News**

The LHPS girls basketball team played on Wednesday at Lismore Basketball Stadium. They are a strong team and played extremely well. Unfortunately they lost the first and last game but won the two games in the Middle. Well done girls for all your efforts.