From the Principal
Captain’s Assembly
We would like to express our sincere congratulations to the many students who were inducted as school leaders during our Captains’ Assembly this week. As Asia, our Girl School Captain, reminded us in her acceptance speech, the role of our school leaders is to ‘Aim High’ and be ‘Stronger and Smarter’. We are confident that all of our School Captains, Class Captains, House Captains and Vice Captains will rise to this challenge, and represent their school with honour and pride throughout 2016.

Our Leaders for 2016 are:


Class Captains: Tyler (K/1J); Toby (1/2C); Charlie (1/2U); Miles (3/4L); Ayla (3/4Le); Jesiah (3-6A); Sienna (4/5EB); Samantha (5/6Ra); and Jemelia (5/6Ry).

House Captains and Vice Captains: Clay – Reshawn, Lola, Lachlan and Emily;
Stapleton – Aaron, Lily, Jayden and Charlotte;
Wilson – Connor, Samantha, Ethan and Alicia.
Rous – Joshua, Sophie, Blake and Taiya.

Milo Cricket will now begin next week, 3 March and continue for 4 consecutive Thursdays.

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Our breakfast club is supported by Nimbin Bakery

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Baseball Clinics in School

We were fortunate that Queensland Baseball Association members attended the local FNC Baseball AGM this week. They were able to offer Lismore Heights students in Years 3 and 4 a series of baseball clinics to promote the sport. It was great to have a trained coach in the school working with our students, running through basic drills and helping the students to develop their batting and fielding skills. Thank you QBA for sharing your time and expertise. Primary students interested in having a go are invited to attend the ‘Come & Try Day’ on Sunday 28 Feb at Albert Park from 10am.
P&C News

This week’s P&C meeting was our first of the year. At the meeting P&C members reviewed the School Plan and school finances and ratified an updated sports procedures document which outlines good practice for those very hot days. This is a timely time to remind parents that all students need a brimmed hat to participate in sports activities. A P&C fundraising BBQ at Bunnings has been scheduled for 30 July, a request for volunteers will come out from the P&C nearer the time. The P&C have also requested that we ask parents to be respectful of neighbouring properties and driveways when visiting the school. Parents are requested to please use the parking spaces available on High Street and Milton Street to avoid blocking driveways or parking on grass verges. Our next P&C meeting will be the AGM on 23 March at 7pm in the school staffroom. All parents are invited, and we would especially like to invite parents of new Kindies to our meeting.

P&C Canteen Notice

It is important that children have their canteen orders written on an envelope or brown paper bag, with the money inside, BEFORE they arrive at school. The order should then be placed in the lunch order box in the child’s classroom. This allows your child to be in class on time, and that helps with their learning. Valuable learning time is being lost with children arriving at school unprepared and wanting to write out their orders during lesson times. Also, please note, students should NOT be asking for food orders from the canteen if they do not have money. If your child requires a canteen lunch, please write out the order in advance on an envelope or brown paper bag, and place the money inside. Thank you.

Learning to Lead

Richmond River High Campus are running a Learning to Lead program for older students in leadership positions in our local primary schools. The program is being run on Friday 11 March and will be held at Richmond River High Campus. Students involved in the program will receive a letter outlining the details of the day. Whilst we recognise that the students involved in this program will miss out on our Pirates and Princesses Dress-Up Day, we know that the students involved in the leadership day will find the experience both extremely rewarding and fun! This is yet another example of how our community of public schools work together to provide enrichment opportunities for our wonderful students.

Dress-Up Day

All students are invited to come to school dressed as a pirate or a princess on Friday 11 March – just for fun! Please, No swords, wands or play weapons – these are good princesses and pirates. Arrr!

Road Safety

It has been reported that a small number of students are not being safe when it comes to crossing the road near the junction of Ballina Road and High Street. If your child takes this route home, please remind them of the need to observe the Road Safety rules. Let’s make sure that that everyone remains safe travelling between home and school.

PBL rule

Be Safe by;

Walking on Hard Surfaces

Parents, could you speak to your child that for safety reasons, it is always wise to walk on hard surfaces.
In the Classroom

“We scored a goal with my head and I scored a few more after that.”
Toby – Year 2

“I kissed a girl and she was pretty and I said “Yes first kiss.”” – Gavin Year 1

The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will ministered during school hours between 14 March and 8 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

Consent form and a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students.

If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the consent form to school by 14th March. The FAQs and copies of the consent form, including translated consent forms, are available from the website above.