



I wander around the playground at recess and lunch with Ms Edwards and it is such a nice way to spend some minutes in our day. I stood and watched Year 12 students playing handball beside a Year 9 group. I watched Year 8 organise themselves into teams for a game of touch and found small groups of students seated, sharing stories of the weekend and planning the week ahead. I saw a young lady seek out the Careers Advisor about Work Experience and Year 11 eating fresh plump grapes as part of their Study Day. Mr Christie was organising with Ms Edwards to order pizzas for Year 7 who are doing Learning Maps and a team of eleven teachers are out preparing a cross curricula unit for 2017. Some primary students were watching our new calves, Charli and Peppa.

Last week our office ladies became proper little misses and misters for book week and some were certainly living up to their names...little miss bossy! We celebrated outstanding results in surfing and zone cross country and delighted in terrific feedback about some of our dancers.

We had our Athletics Carnival last week and I want to say thank you to parents, grandparents and carers who come to support your students.

Enjoy the sunshine, crisp mornings and hints of winter coming in the air.
Janeen Silcock, Principal

All Stars Youth Ambassador

Ballina local Indigenous teenager and Southern Cross School K-12 senior student George Johnson was crowned the male All Stars Youth Ambassador for 2016.

George was a Titans' representative at the youth summit held in Brisbane as a part of the All Stars week. This is the first time a Titans participant has won this award. He is an impressive achiever that was also given the honour of the coin toss at the NRL All Stars match earlier this year at Suncorp Stadium.

George rarely has the opportunity to attend NRL games but, for the Titans Indigenous Round match against the Roosters last Monday night, he was a special guest. He was invited to the game along with his Nan, Pop and two brothers to officiate the coin toss.

"The atmosphere was amazing and my family and I had an excellent time," George said. "It was the first NRL game my little brother has been to so it was awesome to see him having fun."

Being named an All Stars Youth Ambassador is no easy feat. The NRL club representatives must submit a written application satisfying specific criteria and from there the top 10 male and females are selected to the interview stage. The interview panel included NRL staff, facilitators and corporate partners. Only two male and females advance to the presentation stage. Participants present their speech in front of all attendees to the Youth Summit and at the conclusion their peers vote the top male and female to be named the All Stars Youth Ambassadors.

After being named the male All Stars Youth Ambassador, George and his female counterpart met the All Stars captains as they took up the coin toss duties for the match. It was an experience George said he will never forget. "The youth summit was the best experience of my life to date. I really can't say enough how much fun I had during that week and being named male ambassador by all of the other students was an absolute honour," he said.

"Meeting the All Stars was just a dream come true, as a rugby league player myself, meeting those players was incredible."

George is now completing his Year 12 certificate at Southern Cross School K-12. When asked what his next big plans were after an exciting start to the year he responded: "Well for the rest of the term, the main focus is just to make sure that I get all my assignments in on time and completed to the best of my ability. "After school I am really hoping to do something in health, maybe nursing, pharmacy or a health worker, something where I can help Indigenous Australians improve their health."

He is a Titans supporter and his family, peers and the Titans club and this school are very proud of him.



K-6 Book Character Day

Last Thursday, students in Years K-6 took the opportunity to come to school dressed as one of their favourite book characters. This was held in conjunction with our K-6 Library Book Fair.

What a crazy collection of characters we had. In Kindergarten, there were pirates and princesses, cranky bears and cowboys to name just a few. The Tooth Fairy made a flying visit, but we couldn't find Wally! The teachers joined in the fun of dressing up and lots of fabulous stories were shared. We love the quote from Mason Cooley "Reading gives us some place to go when we have to stay where we are".



Congratulations to Phoenix Malaurie who has been offered the very coveted position of book reviewer for the Scholastic Review Crew. Phoenix will be reviewing a variety of books from recently published, to drafts. When you see Phoenix you could ask her what she is working on at the moment.



The following poem was written by Phoenix Malaurie from 6P as part of her Inquiry Based Learning unit - Australia as a Nation.



Kinder Students Say Thank You!

Last week Kinder students were surprised with a delivery of Dr Seuss books which were donated by Stuart Kilbourn from Ballina Newsagency.

As you can see from the photo the students love the books and they will help them on their journey to become independent readers. Thank you Mr Kilbourn and also thank you to Michelle Dowling (Distance Education Teacher) for her part in organising this.



Bronze Awards

The following students received Bronze Awards: Miah Gibson, Sistoya Warren-Ford, Dakota Craig, Max Fitzgerald, Charlie Mann, Tayla Franklin, Ivy Turner, Finn Macgregor, Eden Books, Talon Brannigan, Mitchill Fuller, Makenzi Alchin and Leah White.

School Banking!

Thanks to the fantastic efforts of our students we have raised \$153.04 for our school through School Banking commissions in Term 1, 2016. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

These funds will go towards helpful class resources. Saving regularly is an important habit to get into, whether you're saving a little or a lot. Keep up the great work and remember to bring in your School Banking deposit every Thursday.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program.

PBL – Positive Behaviour Learning even extends to using the toilets

Kinder students promoted our next PBL lesson by demonstrating the correct way to walk to the toilets, flush every time and washing hands.



CHS Girls Hockey Championships

At the NSW CHS Girls Hockey Championships held in Wollongong this month, two of our students came home with Silver Medals.

Billie King-Venn and Karina Perris represented North Coast (Tweed to Port Macquarie) with both Year 10 girls playing as Strikers. They were instrumental in scoring or setting up many of the 25 goals in the 6 games played over the three days. The team finished 2nd in their pool, going on to win their semi-final 6-4 against Western (Lithgow/Bathurst/Orange), before going down in a well fought and high quality hockey final 1-3 to Hunter (Newcastle to Taree area).

We congratulate Karina and Billie for being excellent representatives of North Coast Combined High Schools and Southern Cross School K-12.



New School Update

A series of information booths are being run by the Department of Education. The purpose of these booths is to provide parents and carers with the opportunity to view images and diagrams of the concept design as well as seeking further information about the project.

Please see the timetable below for the information booths location and times.

Thursday 2 June

2.30pm - 4.00pm Ballina High School

4.30pm - 8.30pm Ballina Fair Shopping Centre

Friday 3 June

2.30pm - 4.00pm Southern Cross K-12 School

Saturday 4 June

10.00am - 2.00pm Ballina Fair Shopping Centre

This will continue every fortnight on these days until the end of year. Please note that this could be subject to change later in the year depending on the level of interest by the community, ie: fortnightly booths may become monthly. We will provide ample notice if dates are going to change.

CHS Open Girls Soccer

Congratulations to the Southern Cross Open Girls Soccer team who advanced to the 4th round of North Coast play.

The team defeated Ballina, Byron Bay and Kingscliff before falling to Alstonville in a tightly contested 2-1 game.

Members of the team included; Kitty Aho, Kate Goodman, Mia Munro, Karina Perris, Hannah Graham, Sarah Risworth, Danika Walker, Georgia Wheatland, Samy Bashford, Lucy Croft, Emily Croft, Kiara Hartley, Lauren Johnson, Casey Sellick, Breanna Williams, Taylor Watson and Ruby Driscoll-Dyer.

Mr. Hammond would like to thank the girls for their efforts and strong play over the season!



CHS Open Boys & Girls Basketball

These teams both competed against The Rivers College to determine which team would go on to represent the North Coast in the top 20 teams in the NSW CHS Basketball Knockout.

The girls took the court and struggled to find their stride, watching the lead change throughout the match. Through some strong defensive pressure they were able to scrape away with a 2 point win, moving into the next round.

The boys came out matching their opponents point for point in the first quarter. Though the boys played well, they were no match for the combined efforts of the three Lismore schools. They eventually went down by a substantial amount, yet played with enthusiasm and skill until the final minute of the games.

The Girls team then took on Armidale High to determine who would move into the top 16 teams in the state. Our girls came out strong, never giving their opponents a chance. They dominated the game on both ends of the court leading 18 nil at the end of the first quarter, eventually easily winning 58 to 16. The team played very well, all contributing to a very solid performance.

The girls are now looking forward to playing in the finals series in Terrigal due to a forfeit from Dubbo College, which put the girls straight through to the final eight. We wish the girls the best of luck when they compete later this month.

Mr Coates

Community Donations

This term the Year 9 Commerce class is completing a unit on Community Participation. As part of this they are running a fundraising campaign and looking for donations for the homeless and Women's refuge. Items such as canned goods, tea/coffee, winter clothing, toiletries and children's toys and activities would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped into the HSIE Staffroom in the main school.

Thank you,
Robyn Sheehan, Year Adviser/ Welfare Team



K-6 Soccer Knockout

On Tuesday 24 May the Years 5/6 girls team and boys team went to a PSSA soccer knockout competition. The first girls game was against Alstonville, and unfortunately the girls lost 8-0. That meant the Alstonville team had to vs the Lennox Head Public School team.

The boys team (pictured below) also played Alstonville in a tight game with some great passes from the Southern Cross team. Alstonville was victorious and proceeded to the next round after winning 3 -1. The boys played a great game and had lots of fun.

We would like to thank our teachers Mrs Pattison & Mrs Weaver for taking care of us and keeping us sun safe, and providing us with all the soccer supplies and heaps more.

By Lily Drinkwater and Kilarni Wilson



North Coast TAFE Awards



Current Yr 12 student Daniel Johnson excelled at the Wollongbar TAFE Awards night.

He was awarded the TVET Aviation Student of the year and also the overall Aviation Student of the year.

We are very proud of Daniels achievements and also his commitment to furthering his aviation training through his lessons to become a pilot with Aussie Air at Ballina Airport.

Past student Kate Shaw has taken out the Northern Rivers Region World Skills competition for Apprentice Hairdressers who are under 21. In October she will be representing NSW in the National World Skills Competition in Melbourne.



Congratulations to Daniel and Kate.

Important Dates

June

Thu 2	K-6	AASC Basketball 3:15-4:15
	K-6	Rugby Gala Day
		New School Information Booth
		Ballina High 2.30pm-4pm and
		Ballina Fair Shopping Centre
		4.30pm - 8.30pm
Fri 3	K-6	PSSA Zone Cross Country
		New School Information Booth
		at Southern Cross 2.30pm-4pm
Mon 6	Y 11	Last Day to order Senior Jackets
Thu 9	K-2	Assembly 11.30am
Fri 10	3-6	Assembly 2:20pm

These dates are a guide only.
For updated details please refer to

7-12 Athletics Carnival

This year we were blessed with yet another great day to hold our Athletics carnival. The secondary students came dressed in their house colours ready to compete across a number of athletic disciplines, only to be matched by some well dressed staff who got in on the spirit. As students progressed through the busy program of events personal bests and the occasional record were broken, due to their outstanding efforts and skill. A highlight of the morning was Jayden McIntyre breaking the long standing open boys high jump record in front of an excited crowd who had gathered to watch the event. There were a number of other outstanding performances, though some of the most impressive were of those students who participated to earn house points, or to support a friend who wanted to have a go.

Southern Cross School 7-12 will again be sending a very strong team to the zone athletics carnival at Cudgen on the 24 June, who will as always represent themselves and their school with pride. We wish them well and hope to hear of many great achievements.

A huge thank you to all staff from the grounds men, the office staff and the teaching staff who all made the day a great success. But mostly to the students who showed great sportsmanship and strived to compete throughout the carnival ensuring a memorable day for all.
Mr Coates.





HOMework NOOK



Chill & study, tutors available to assist.

Date: Every Wednesday Afternoon

Time: 3.30pm-5.30pm

Cost: Free

Ages: 12-18

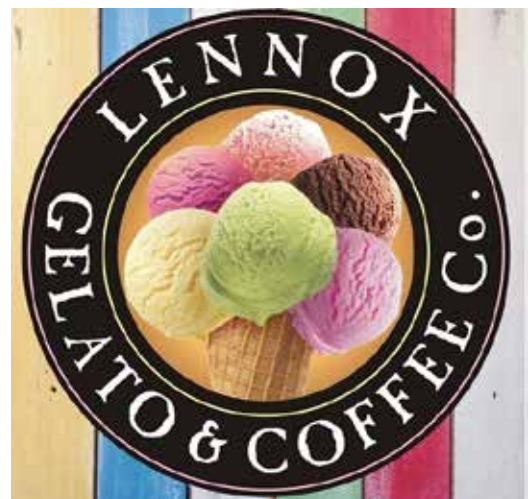
B-Space: Ballina Youth Centre 32 Swift Street
steven.bowden@fsg.org.au 0447181208

The Family Centre will be running a 4 week free parenting course for parents of children 2 - 12 years. This course assists parents to build positive relationships with their children and create a stable, supportive and harmonious family. The course introduces proven methods to encourage behaviour you would like more of from your children and deal positively and consistently with problem behaviour.

Thursday June 2 - Thursday June 23,
 9.30am - 12pm Ballina Early Intervention
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WHEN: Wednesdays 8th, 15th and 22nd June
 (these are not separate seminars)

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Lismore lantern parade ^{25 June} 2016

Newsletter Announcement

Lismore Lantern Parade 2016 is finally here our theme this year is *Australian Flora and Fauna*.

Come and join the celebration on Saturday June 25th for a full day of fun, food and music, lots of kids' activities and of course the Viking Village too. And on Sunday, more Vikings and grab a taste of Italy with the *Friendship Festival's Piazza in the Park*, Spinks Park, from 10am 26 June.

If you have not had a lantern workshop and are not participating in the parade with your school community, here are some ways to get the best out of this wonderful event!!

Oaks Oval - Tickets are on sale now! Don't miss out on all the excitement gates open at 4pm. Come & grab the best seats in the house to see the Lantern Parade show off in the arena followed by the Fiery Finale. Wrap up warm BYO blankets, camp chairs and smiles. There will be more *Winter Warmers* hot food for sale here as fundraisers for local community groups.

EARLYBIRD TICKETS are on sale until 31st May - available online at www.lanternparade.com Or the Lismore Visitors Center 1300 369 795

If you don't go to the Finale please give generously to our wonderful Donation Bucketeers, thank you to staff from *Summerland Credit Union*

Want to be involved? We are still looking for community members to carry lanterns in the parade. It is not only a lot of fun but you will receive free tickets for the Fiery Finale at Oaks Oval! Please call (02) 6622 6333 or email festival@lanternparade.com for more information.

Kind Regards and love,

Lismore Lantern Parade and LightUp Inc!

Saturday 4th June 2016
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Weekly Program

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T U E	GIRL TALK: 3:30pm till 5pm. Activities, Chats, Cooking and more. A great place for a chat and a laugh with some of the girls
W E D	YOUNG PARENTS MORNING TEA: 9am till 11am, Every Wednesday. Morning tea will be provided but please feel free to bring something to share. THE HOMEWORK NOOK: 3:30pm till 5:30pm. We have awesome new computers, free wifi and a quiet spot to surf the net or catch up on some study. We have cruizy tutors available.
T H U R	PALLET FURNITURE: 1pm till 5pm. Pull apart locally sourced pallets and build unique and interesting furniture. You can donate your creations to B-Space, or we can help you sell them and generate an income.
F R I	GARDENING AFTERNOON: 3pm till 5pm. Local Permaculture experts will lead you through the finer details of soil, seeds and tasty fruit and vegetables in our awesome garden. PIZZA FRIDAY'S: 5pm till 7pm. Bring your family and friends along for some of the tastiest woodfired pizza around. Fresh from the B-Space Woodfired Pizza Oven. Bring your favourite toppings to share, we've got the bases covered.

