

# Thursday Notice

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Term 3 – Week 3

Learning for Life



Wednesday, 15 August 2018

## Students of the Week



Austin – his growth in self-confidence and accepting challenges to succeed.



Joseph – for enthusiasm and getting on with his work.

## Calendar

### Week 3

Thursday 9th August	Tuckshop
Friday 10th August	Opals – Town Sport

### Week 4

Monday 13th– 17th August	Creative Arts Camp
Wednesday 15th August	Life Education
Friday 17th August	Opals – Town Sport

### Week 5

Thursday 23rd August	Zone Athletics Carnival
Friday 24th August	Opals – Town Sport

Dear parents and carers,

Congratulations to all our athletes for being amazing little sports people. Thanks to our parents who helped ensure our Gems got to their events. Well done to Georgia who was the 11 years girls runner up from the entire district! Our Zone representatives are Tobi, Lilly-Eva, Georgia, Chace, Johan, Austin, Tim and Brighton. They will compete in Lismore on 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Good luck.

**In the classroom**

In Stage 3 maths we have been looking at some year 7 maths Naplan questions and discovering some gaps in our mathematical knowledge. We've been converting 24 hour time to am/pm, learning definitions for 'polygon', 'horizontal', 'vertical', 'perpendicular' and 'parallel'. We've also been learning how to find the area of a triangle (half the base times the height). In our mental books we've been practising converting the mass of objects from mL to L and lengths from cm to m and m to km. Lots of fun. We love our maths groups!

In reading groups in the Diamonds room we are focussing on our comprehension skills. We look at what the character's intentions are and how they are feeling. We also look at interesting words that we haven't heard of before. Our latest one is 'vexed'. While reading Margaret Wild books we've been discovering some fantastic verbs like; tore, yanking, shoving, toppling, tumbling, tossing, catapulted, hurtled, plunged and somersaulted. These interesting words can be used in our writing. We've also been looking closely at how Margaret Wild uses things like personification and similes to make her stories 'come alive'.

Thanks to Mick Smith who has cleaned our beautiful alphabet rug in the Diamond's room.

Mrs Stroud-Watts  
Principal

**What is happening in the Opals room!**

Every week in Literacy we watch BTN (Behind the News) and discuss news issues for the week. We then go on the BTN website and complete the quiz. We have also been practising spelling words, ready to compete in our school spelling bee. We have entered the Premier Spelling Bee (this was done late so we haven't had much time with everything going on) and the Stage 2 and 3 students have been working on learning and practising the words. We will have our school spelling bee on Friday, with our two finalists for both stages going on to compete in September in Ballina.

Stage 2 have been working on Patterns and Algebra for the past two weeks in Maths. We have looked at inverse operations with

additions and subtraction and 'magic numbers' in triangles. We recognised that addition and subtraction are like 'opposites', for example  $3+2=5$  so  $5-2=3$ . We also found out what commutative property means. This is when numbers can just swap places and we still get the same answer, like  $4 + 6=10$  and  $6+4 =10$ .

Nadine Toniello  
Classroom Teacher

**Diamonds**

This term in Literacy we are continuing our group work on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, rotating around work stations covering spelling, grammar, reading, comprehension, handwriting and writing. At the moment we are focussing on persuasive text in preparation for our public speaking competition. The children are typing their ideas directly onto computers. This has been an exciting time, watching the children (particularly the Kindy) learn how to use the mouse, log-on procedures, finding the desired keys and how to save their work.

In Numeracy we have been doing lots of counting and shape patterns, flipping, sliding and rotating and finding missing parts.

Science – The Diamonds are looking at 'Meeting Needs' – of plants and animals (including humans).

The Opals will be exploring 'Heat', its sources and uses.

Sandra Close  
Classroom Teacher

**Life Education**

Next Wednesday we are having the Life Education van come to visit. Larnook Public School will come over and join us for the day. The Life Ed van is a valuable experience that helps empower children to make safe and healthy lifestyle choices now and into their adult lives. The cost is only \$10. The P&C are running a BBQ and cake stall on the day and we are asking for all families to bake either cake, slice or cupcakes for us to sell. We are also asking for volunteers to help on the stall and BBQ. Thank you.

**Public speaking**

A reminder that our in-school competition, which is being judged by the relieving principal of Nimbin Central School, will be on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September**. Parents are welcome to attend this from 10am. Students will need to have

their speeches ready for our in-class presentation on 31<sup>st</sup> August.

**Lismore Performing Arts Festival**

All our Jiggi Gems are enthusiastically practising our fantastic dance item to perform at the Lismore Performing Arts Festival. It is going to be big! We are practising every day and it is coming together nicely.

We are working on the costumes and will let you know as soon as we have decided.

Details below outline everything (at this stage) you need to know about our involvement in the Lismore Performing Arts Festival.

- Our performance night – **Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Sept.**
- Venue – **Lismore Workers Club**
- Tickets – Tickets go on sale at the **Lismore Workers Club on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August**. Tickets can be bought in person from the club, online [www.lismoreworkers.com.au](http://www.lismoreworkers.com.au) or over the phone 66217401. **Cost of tickets is Adults \$15 Child \$6.**
- Start time **6.30pm sharp.**
- Please return your signed parent agreement form.
- As we get closer to the night, more details will follow but we will need all students to be **at the club by 6pm**. On the night Mrs Stroud-Watts, Mrs Toniello and Mrs Close will be the supervising teachers. Once students are with us, they do not leave our supervision and security at the club is very tight. **NO** students leaves the room during the show, except for us to go and perform, and no one leaves until after the show has finished.

- If you have any questions or concerns please contact us at school.
- If you know you will be away during the performance week please contact us asap as we are busy practising and students are in their positions. As you can appreciate if someone is missing on the night it will change things.
- We know you will love our dance as much as we do. The kids look amazing and are working really hard to refine their moves. Exciting times ahead!

**Tuckshop**

Rostered for tuckshop duty on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018

Baking – Jeuken, Adams & Patroni-Oort  
Serving – Boyd

**Special: Sweet Potato chips with aioli \$3**

