POSTPONEMENT  Due to a number of factors way beyond our control the concert, which we were hoping to be well on the way by now, has slightly stalled due in the main to the fact that we are still working on our Performing Arts item. The PAF item is coming along well now and with a bit more practice, we will have a great item ready to perform in Lismore in a couple of weeks. The plan now is to start rehearsing for our concert straight after the PAF item, ready to perform sometime near the middle of next term. Keep an ear out for dates.

PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL  Our “Peter Pan” performance and small school’s choir will take place in Week 7 this term.

**Tuesday 26th August** - Night Performance-Small School’s Choir only (Act 7)

**Wednesday 27th August** - Daytime Rehearsal (ALL)

**Thursday 28th August** - Matinee (daytime) Performance - Act 1: Small School’s Choir, Act 3 Peter Pan


Small School’s Choir will be performing on Tuesday night, Wednesday rehearsal day, Thursday night and matinee - please wear choir shirt provided. Night shows will commence at 6:30pm and be completed at approx 8:30pm and
the matinee will commence at 10:30am to 1pm. The doors will open at 6pm. Please be seated by 6:15pm which is 15 minutes before the concert is due to start as Standing Room only tickets (at the same cost) will be sold after this time.

PUBLICITY CONSENT Throughout rehearsals and performances, participating schools and students may be photographed and filmed for the promotion of the festival.

PERFORMING ARTS - SMALL SCHOOL’S CHOIR REMINDER - Please make sure your child/ren has returned the SSC permission note and $10 fee to Mrs Ryan otherwise they will not be able to perform in the choir or receive a SSC 2014 T-shirt.

A huge THANK YOU to Di Alberth for kindly volunteering her time, car and petrol to drive our students to the SSC rehearsal last Tuesday at Goonellabah Public School’s Hall. The students reported that they had a good experience and it was wonderful to get together with students from the other schools and rehearse the songs they will be singing at the Performing Arts Festival. I am sure they sounded fantastic! Unfortunately the T-shirts were not ready but as soon as they arrive at school, I will hand them out. Keep practising your songs – Ms Moy

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES We have had a few activities happen over the past two weeks. Last and this week, we had several year 5 and 6 students attend special overnight camps at Dorroughby for creative arts workshops. From all reports, great experiences were gained from attendance at these camps. One was for budding artists and the other was for creative musicians.

RECYCLING On Tuesday of this last week, Danielle visited the school and introduced the new recycling program being introduced by the Northern Rivers Waste Services. Please take note of the flyer attached and the services that they now offer and make the most of them. We learnt something from her visit as well. Upon showing her our ‘new’ bins she noted that we had a heap of shredded paper in the recycling. Apparently this is no good for the new system as it ends up with the sand glass at the end of the line. With this in mind, we are now offering bags of shredded paper to those families who have little critters to look after. It does make good bedding. At present we have two big bags of shredded paper here ready to be picked up. Contact Linda and she will make arrangements to collect or get it to you. Each family has received a satchel to recycle items such as batteries, glasses, x-rays etc. This can then be sealed up and placed in a recycling bin.

NORTHERN RIVERS ZONE ATHLETICS Good Luck! I suppose I should say I hope the weather holds off for you. Tomorrow, we have Cameron, Liam, Elka, Úrsi and Tara representing Larnook at the Northern Rivers PSSA Athletics Carnival at Riverview Park. We wish them well. Run fast, throw far and jump high is the motto for the day.

BOOK WEEK ACTIVITIES Next week, on Thursday, we have a huge day lined up to celebrate this year’s book week. We have asked that all the children come dressed as a book character and then participate in a parade of their favourite book characters. The P & C have organised a special luncheon of pizza and a frozen milk on the day. Stage 3 students have been asked to provide a ‘homebake’
day for recess. We will also be running our spell off to find our contestants for the Premier’s Spelling Challenge to be held later this term.

On the Wednesday 20 August your child/ren will be able to view the books at the Scholastic Book Fair in the Library and fill in a book "Wish List" with the book title and cost (there is no obligation to purchase from this list). If you would like your child/ren to purchase books at the Book Fair, please send them to school with some money or alternatively, you can pay by credit card. It should be a fun day and I can’t wait to see what everyone’s favourite book character this year －Ms Moy

POSITIVE AND PROMOTE Next year sees our proposed school numbers slip under 30 from the start of the year for the first time. I am asking all of our school friends and parents to be really positive and promote the many virtues of our great little school within the wider community. Speak up and be heard extoling the features of Larnook. Mrs Spackman and the staff have strategies and plans in place to promote the school in the wider community. Ajita and the Centenary celebrations of the Rock Valley Hall are providing another opportunity. Remember to help us, we need to help ourselves by being positive and making the most of any opportunity that comes our way. Our doors are always open.

BAZZA’S NEWS Unfortunately a few of us were away this week with a terrible winter virus so Mr C and Sandi kept the Bazza’s busy. I hope anyone who has been sick, feels better soon and I’ll see you next week! Ms Moy

LORIKEET’S NEWS This week is the final week for our Prac Teacher Linden. The children have enjoyed his time with us and we wish him all the best with his continued study and future as a teacher.

Water
• About two thirds of our body is water
• It carries food around our body
• It carries away waste
• It keeps our temperature steady

Drink plenty of clean, plain water: it is THE thirst quencher!

COMMUNITY NEWS

NORTHERN RIVERS SCIENCE HUB ARTS VS SCIENCE RIVERSIDE FESTIVAL

Sunday 24th August, Riverside Park, Lismore, 10am - 4pm. Live music, fun, food, workshops. A day of exciting activities - experience the wonders of science and push the boundaries of art.