NEWS FROM LAST FORTNIGHT

LISMORE PERFORMING ARTS I would like to thank my amazing staff once again for their enthusiastic approach to this year’s PAF. The time, work and effort that they put in was, as in past years, way beyond normal expectations. The result was outstanding and was reflected in the comments made by so many people. At the recent Waste Wise Performance Jenny Dowel made mention of Larnook’s performance at the Workers Club. I must also mention some of the standout individual performances from Cameron, Heaven, Jazz and Elkan. Jenny mentioned Cameron, the boy who lead the medical corp, when praising the performance as a standout leader of his group.

Well done kids! Once again you make us proud! You did a fantastic job on the stage in Lismore, you looked fantastic and I think you all enjoyed yourselves. Thank you all for putting up with lots of counting from 1 to 8 with dance moves. We will perform it again at the assembly next Tuesday and perhaps at the Lismore Show next term- Mrs Spackman

WASTE WISE From humble beginnings to late nights and quick thinking on our feet, the Waste Wise performance came and went in a flash and what a flash it was. Jenny Dowel and Danielle Hannigan from the council came to Larnook to see what ‘we’ had done for our waste wise challenge. Thanks to the staff’s efforts everything was completed, including a journal of our waste journey that completed the challenge here at Larnook. Special mention must be made to Mrs Spackman and Sam who put in a huge day on Monday and Tuesday to finalise our entry. We wait with bated breath to see how we went. The rewards for our efforts will hopefully result in some...
grant money to undertake a couple of environment activities at school. The fingers are crossed.

Some of the tasks that Larnook undertook as part of the challenge include:

- Becoming a satchel drop off centre for ink cartridges, cds, xrays, reading glasses, batteries etc
- Creating a bagged recycling bin for soft plastics (cling wrap, plastic wrappers), that cannot be recycled unless they are bagged up together
- Adding an additional recycling bin close to the teacher’s desks
- Creating new bin signs to educate and assist everyone on new recycling developments
- Having a Nude Food day and encouraging less packaging everyday
- Creating a roster for year 6 leaders to assist a different year group each week to monitor bins, empty compost bins, collect/clean apple slinky
- To be more environmentally responsible!
- Perform a creative act to the Mayor Jenny Dowel and Danielle, to promote the 12 Rules of the Yellow Bin
- Create a journal of our efforts, with before and after photos!

NEWS ABOUT NEXT FORTNIGHT

P& C MEETING The next P&C meeting for the term is next Friday 11th September. Everyone is welcome to come along.

PUBLIC SPEAKING Today is the next stage in the Public Speaking program. We have four students going to Jiggi to present their speeches. Ryan and Djinn will represent the school in the stage 3 event while Joseph and Liam will be representing the school in the stage 2 event. I know that all the students have been practising with one student rewriting his speech this week in preparation for the event. I wish them well and I look forward to hearing how they all went.

ASSEMBLY The final assembly for the term will occur on Tuesday morning beginning at 10.00a.m. We will have our normal morning chat while everyone is preparing for the assembly. Following our chat the children will go for our morning walk/run around the school. You are more than welcome to come and join us on our walk. Following the walk, the children will start to prepare for the assembly. While the children are preparing the assembly a tour of the school will happen that will show what ‘we’ did for the Waste Wise adventure. When the children are ready for the assembly, we will adjourn to the library or the undercover area to enjoy the assembly. Following the assembly a special morning tea will
begin as a thank you to everyone for their efforts in preparing for this year’s PAF. Everyone is asked to
bring in a plate of food that will be put on the table to share. I am sure that there will be a few surprises
for everyone as well. This assembly is also about raising awareness of the plight of the koala. As part
of the program, Djinn’s group have organised the singing of a special song during which we will pass a
hat around to raise money to buy koala food trees. If you are unable to attend the assembly but would
like to send some money into school in the envelope attached to this newsletter. Come along and help
us celebrate our performances and achievements.

**SPELLING BEE** On Tuesday 15th September, the last week of school, the regional finals of the
Premier’s Spelling Challenge will take place. The four students representing our school are Amy and
Elka, stage 3 and Jazz and Liam representing the stage 2 students. We wish them well and I hope they
are continuing with the practising of their words. Dianne has kindly volunteered to take the students
into town to Wyrallah Road P.S. If you require Dianne’s services, can you contact her and suitable
arrangements for your child to attend.

**KOALA PROJECT UPDATE** The Koala Activities are drawing to a close. Thanks to everyone
who drew logos for the competition. Next week will have a badge making day. The cost will be $2.
The money raised will go to the Friends of the Koalas, a local koala group in town. We will make the
badges next Wednesday 9th September. Please send the badge orders along with the money where
Elkan will collect and collate. The orders need to be in by the Tuesday of next week.

**GENERAL NEWS**

**HOMEBAKE** Next Wednesday there will also be another homebake day for the Sydney Opera
House Choir fundraising. The students are nearing the departure date so please help them out.

**SYDNEY CHOIR** In regards choir, the dates for the remaining practices are: Wednesday 9th
September, Term 4 Wednesday 7th October, Monday 12th October (bus trip to Murwillumbah),
Wednesday 14th October, Wednesday 21st October. The bus trip to Sydney leaves on Wednesday
21st October. Not that far away. This is a reminder to all who are attending that thought needs to be
given to finalising the payment for the excursion. If you are unsure of the cost, please check with Mrs
Ryan to see how much you have left to pay.

**SPORTING NEWS**

**SOFTBALL** Amy and I had a great week in Wagga Wagga. Amy and I were a part of the North
Coast softball team which played in very wet and sometimes trying conditions. All up we played 5
games, winning two and losing three. This was a great result for the North Coast team as we played
against some very strong Sydney teams that have way more experience than we did. Amy thoroughly
enjoyed the experience and I think she’s looking forward to trying out again next year.

**SATURDAY SOFTBALL** I still need a firm commitment from a few more people. Thanks to those
who have said that they are keen to try out. Please let me know as soon as possible.

**ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT** Active After schools will continue to the end of term. This
means that the last afternoon session will be on Tuesday 15th September. The last Friday during
school tennis session will be on the very last day of school.

**SWIMMING SCHEME** In week 2 next term (12/10-16/10), Larnook will participate in a week
long swimming program in Lismore. We will complete 2 lessons per day (10:30 to 11:30 and 12:30 to
1:30), and I’m sure the improvements in water safety and swimming ability will come along in leaps
and bounds again. We will travel to and from the pool on Rose’s bus at a cost of $3 per day and pool
entry will be $3.70 per day. For students living in Lismore, you may avoid the bus cost and meet us at the pool at 9:45am and collect them at 2:20pm. Please complete the permission note attached to this newsletter and return as soon as possible. There will be no students staying at school that week, as this is a compulsory school activity. Students will require swimmers, a swim shirt (compulsory), goggles (optional), towel, sunscreen, water and lunch box each day. Those with long hair must tie it back. Could students please come to school/pool in their school uniform, as we have time to change when we arrive and this will avoid the common occurrence of forgetting our dry clothes that are needed at the end of the day.

KYOGLE BILLYCART BONANZA - Stratheden Street, Kyogle. Fathers Day

Program  7:15–9.00am Scrutineering & Registration  8:00-9:30am Practice Runs
          9:30-1.00pm Billycart Racing Commences    Junior 5-7 years Heats
          Junior 8-11 years Heats                Junior 12-15 years Heats
          Junior Professional & Novelty          Open Heats
          Open Novelty                           Fathers Day Classic
          Girls/Ladies Races                     Tag Team Races
          Clash of the Clubs Races               Battle of the Business Races
          1.00pm Junior & Open Finals            2:30pm Presentations &
          Closing Ceremony                      3:00pm Clean up Street

Jumping Castle, Pony rides and show n shine.  More information contact Ron Allen 0400050238 or kyoglebillycart.com.au

KID’S FISHING WORKSHOP: Kids 8 - 14 years, Cost $40 per child, includes rod & reel combination, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag - all to take home. Faulks Reserve, Riverside Dr, West Ballina. 25th September. Booking Essential. Contact Milan Duwenhogger-Lange 0458 274 876 or milan.duwenhogger@dpi.nsw.gov.au

LAKE AINSWORTH SPORT & RECREATION CENTRE have a number of Holiday Programs for children aged 7-15 years. Programs include Residential Camp, Kids Club, Sailing, Surfing and Laser Skirmish. Further info visit website www.sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au or contact 13 13 02

AIA VITALITY MINI ROOS FOR GIRLS is an introductory football program for girls aged 5-11 years starting in October. Visit the website to find a location nearest your www.northernnswfootball.com.au/miniroosforgirls