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Linville State School Newsletter

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Term 1, Week 4, Wednesday 17th February 2016

Upcoming Events

- No Praise Parade this Friday, due to Mr Mac & Mrs Corcoran being at training from 2-7 pm.
- Mr Mac on Long Service Leave 26th February—8th March.
- Praise Parade Friday 26th and Year 6 Badge presentation
- Sporting Schools—Cricket starting on Mondays 22/02/2016—14/03/2016
- Praise Parade Friday 4th March
- Praise Parade Friday 11th March
- Halogen Young Leaders Day for Year 6 Students Monday 14th March.
- Swimming Carnival at Kilcoy Pool Friday 18/03/2016
- Good Friday 25/03/2016 & School Holidays begin.
- School resumes Monday 11th April 2016
- Cross Country—Tandurgingie State School Thursday 14th April

From the Principals Desk,

Classes are underway and we are beginning to establish some routine after a disrupted start to the school year. Homework has begun to go home and most importantly Home Readers. I cannot stress enough the importance of reading just a little every night with your child. We do our utmost to ensure that students are reading a text at a level that provides enough challenge for them to continue to learn and develop their reading strategies. Both classes use a homework diary or reading diary. Please use this to record your child's nightly reading, last year we had over 5 students record more than 200 nights of reading across the year—a great effort that pays off!

School Arrivals and Departures

Just a gentle reminder that there are no staff supervising children before 8.30 am, unless a prior arrangement has been made with staff. Recently some students have been arriving around earlier than 8:30 am on a regular basis.

School finishes at 3:00 pm. Please contact the school if you are not going to be at the school on time to pick up your child/children. Students who are still at school after 3:00 pm are supervised outside the office.

Lock Down Drill

Today we conducted one of our compulsory drills for the year. The Lockdown Drill can be confusing and stressful for some children. There are a large number of reasons why a school may go into a Lock Down situation, but the main reason is to ensure the safety of students.

School Leadership 2016

Our Year 6 Boys have received their Leadership packs. We were going to hold speeches this Friday, but one of the boys will be away. Therefore we will hold the speeches on Monday morning at 9:00am. Year 3—6 students and staff will vote later on that day with the positions to be announced next Tuesday.

This Year

Attendance
Target is

93%

For All Students!

***Attendance is
Important—
Research has
shown that
there are
strong links
between
attendance and
academic
achievement***

We also have a goal to keep our unexplained absences down this year.

Please call, email, send a note or talk to a staff member if your child is going to be absent from school.

Thank you for your help!

Kitchen Update

The repair work is almost over! This week has seen the painting and electrical work completed. Today Pete the Plumber was here re-connecting the water and waste pipes. Then we are waiting for the Kitchen area to be given a final clean and have the safety barrier removed.

After all of that has occurred we can move everything back into place again and then the kitchen area will be back in use—just like the termites were not there at all!

A chemical termite barrier has been installed around the kitchen area providing ongoing protection against this type of damage occurring again. Staff and students alike are looking forward to having the kitchen space and the resources behind available for us to use again!

Staffing & Leave arrangements

This Term I will be taking some long service leave to attend my sister's wedding in New Zealand. I will be away from school from Friday 26th February until Wednesday 9th March. Mrs Corcoran will be Acting Principal in my absence and Mr Ian Williams will be teaching the Emu's class for while I am away.

We have come through the Day 8 census with no substantial changes to our staffing. I am currently still looking for a teacher for the 1/2 day a week, which enables me to teach HPE to the Junior & Senior classes. I am hoping to have someone for this role shortly.

Cleaners Position

The cleaning position vacated by Mrs Gerhardt has been advertised for almost a fortnight. Application packages for this position are available from the school office until the end of school this Friday 19th February. Applicants will be notified next week regarding their application and who will be interviewed for the vacancy.

Sporting Schools—Term 1

The Cricket Sporting Schools coordinator is having some difficulty finding a coach to run their program at our school this term. If you know of someone who might be interested in this paid role (through Cricket Australia—not the school) please let Mr Mac know.

Swimming Carnival Friday 18th March

We will be competing against Harlin State School on this day. We will have limited seats on the bus, so if you can help us by taking your own student/s to the pool it would be greatly appreciated.

As in the past the competitive races are for students aged 9—12 Years. Younger students will take part in novelty races and fun activities in the smaller pool. This year it is our school's turn to organize and cater at the Carnival. We look forward to a great day and a fourth year in a row of holding the trophy.

Tanduringie Cross Country

With the shorter Term this year I have approached Tanduringie State School and arranged for Harlin and Linville State Schools to compete at their Cross Country on Thursday 14th April.

This means that this year we will not be hosting Harlin for a Cross Country at Linville in Term 1. Students will begin training for the Cross Country in the next couple of weeks. All students from Prep to Year 6 are eligible to run at Tanduringie. The course is hilly so our school is ideal preparation for it.

For those students who are setting themselves sporting goals this year it is a good time to start preparing and training.

Bat Expert

The Somerset Regional Council has organized for a bat expert to come to our school and talk about the bats from a zoological perspective. We are waiting for confirmation of the exact date that

P & C AGM & General Meeting

All members are invited to the Linville P & C AGM which will be held on Wednesday 9th March at 9am in the school library. This will be followed by a General Meeting.

PBL FOCUS for the Fortnight

WEEK 4 — Be Respectful in All Areas

WEEK 5 — Be Safe in the Playground

Improvement Agenda 2016

Reading Everyone reading, every day	all students to be reading at DDSW benchmarks for their year level and above. is to increase number of students in Upper Two Bands (U2B's) in NAPLAN testing in 2016.
Writing Creating texts for different purposes & audiences	all students to develop their knowledge of writing and their ability to construct different text types. students in Year 3-Year 6 to use paragraphs and increase their knowledge of text structures.
Grammar and Punctuation Nouns, verbs, adjectives and more	all students to increase their understanding of Grammar and Punctuation. students to become more consistent with their use of Grammar and Punctuation in their work.

Save the Children Mobile Playgroup

The Mobile Playgroup run by Save the Children is at Linville State School on Tuesday afternoons, from 12—2 pm. It is a free service for anyone with children in the pre-school (0-5 years age range). The facilitator will bring a fully equipped van with activities and morning tea for everyone who comes along. The van will park in the school grounds, on the driveway near the stairs to the senior classroom. If you know of anyone in the community who has pre-school children please pass on this information about the playgroup to them.

For more information, please contact 0411 668 852.

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Hi! What a great start to the year! It is so lovely to see such great new preps at Linville. It is also so fantastic that Linville has such dedicated teaching staff and teacher aides. As a Chappy, I hope to be able to continue to provide social and emotional support, mentoring and role modelling, educational support, and be involved in extra-curricular activities within the community. As well, I am available for spiritual support as

children explore their world and values.

I have listed some of the programs that run after school that are great for the kids! Please see at School if you want more information.

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SUPACLUB starts March 3 followed by March 17.

For those new to SUPACLUB, it stands for Scripture Union Primary Aged Club. The purpose is help build supportive friendships and to learn important skills to assist in social development within a Christian environment. We have a short story, play games and have a brief time of craft.

This year the program will run from 3.15 pm - 4pm AT LINVILLE SCHOOL

We aim to have fun!!! If you would like to assist me, please let me know as it would be really appreciated.

Kid's Activity Day

Linville Hall.

March 12th 9am-Noon

We provide some craft activities and some fun games. It would be great if you can stay and join in the fun too!

Cost is \$2 per child

Kid's Games

28th-30th June 2016

Toogoolawah

Don't miss a fantastic week!

Holiday Youth Program

1st week of Easter Holidays

Toogoolawah

Focus on Arts such as music, dance, art & sport

This is to be run by YWAM

(Youth with a Mission)

See if you can work these out and let me know!

WHAT WORDS END WITH KEY...some may drop the E!

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|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
| 1. Popular at Christmas | | 6. Soft to Touch | |
| 2. 4 legged animal | | 7. Getting mad! | |
| 3. Describes a Galaxy | | 8. To take a chance | |
| 4. A mischievous child | | 9. Hard to get on with..... | |
| 5. A wild animal | | 10. Sometimes you win..... | |



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Community News

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Toogoolawah PICTURES

Sat., 20th Feb - m

Doors: 7.00 pm Movie: 7.30 - 9.40 pm



Sat., 27th Feb - m

Doors: 7.00 pm Movie: 7.30 - 9.30 pm



Child to High School: \$6
Adult: \$8 Family: \$25
Snack Bar. Hot Dogs & Pop Corn



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