NEW PRINCIPAL ANNOUNCED

It is with great pleasure that I announce the appointment of Lochinvar’s new Principal. The interviews were conducted early last week, and following a 10 day appeal time, Mrs. Elizabeth Cantwell was officially appointed as Principal of Lochinvar Public School commencing January 2015. Mrs. Cantwell will be an outstanding leader for our school and I am sure you will join me in congratulating her on her appointment. She is very excited at the prospect of Lochinvar becoming her school and she has some wonderful ideas for its future. During the remaining weeks of this term I will be spending time with Mrs. Cantwell on planning for 2015 and sharing the many aspects of our school that make it so successful and enjoyable.

So I am confident that you will see her from time to time during term 4 and of course she will be here full time at the beginning of 2015. Mrs. Cantwell did a wonderful job as Relieving Principal during my recent leave of absence. It gave her the opportunity to get to know students and parents and she is now well positioned to take over. I thank her personally for her management of my class as well as the capable management of the school. It has made my return to school a lot easier as many tasks were undertaken during that time. Thank you Mrs Cantwell, your efforts were appreciated.

YEAR 6 FUN DAY FUNDRAISER IS ON FRIDAY

Our final fundraiser for the year will take place on Friday, 31st October. Students have planned a variety of fun things to do and be involved in. Students are invited to dress up in fantasy or make believe costumes for the day. The fun begins at 12:15pm and runs through till 1:30pm. You are welcome to come along if you are game!!! There are many things to do and see including a haunted house, donut eating competition, creepy critters, jellies, broomstick race. Please make sure you send students to school with plenty of 20c pieces and a $1 for out of uniform.
QUESTIONNAIRES SENT HOME THIS WEEK
All families are being asked to complete the survey included in this weeks newsletter. We are asking for your input into our planning process for the next 3 years. In 2015 the school will commence activities that aim to help move the school forward and to provide greater opportunities for student success and achievement. Please complete these and return them to school. They are short and offer you an opportunity to tell us what you think. All are anonymous. As families return the surveys students will receive a lollipop at the office. Please contribute to our 3 year planning process.

GRANDPARENT’S DAY A WONDERFUL SUCCESS.
Last Friday over 50 grandparents and parents spent time at Lochinvar Public School visiting students and classes. It was wonderful share what we do at school with those special people in our children’s lives. They enjoyed some delicious homemade scones from Natalie Hoover for morning tea and mingled and mixed with students in and out of the classroom. Some lucky grandparents got to join in with a rugby league skills workshop with their grandchildren. That was certainly different. We thank the many grandparents that took the time to visit with children and share their experiences with us. I know that many grandparents travelled distances to join us on Friday and we do appreciate that. We have included some photos and a poem that you might like to share with them. We look forward to seeing you again next year or at other Lochinvar family events.

LATE ARRIVALS INCREASING IN FREQUENCY
Over the past few weeks there has been an increase in the number of students arriving late to school on a regular basis. The key learning time for all classes is the first 3 hours of the day. Important teaching and learning take place during this time and students that are often late can miss important instructions or key lesson focus. We understand that things can happen unexpectedly and it cannot be helped that students are late. However, it is also important that students develop a regular routine for mornings and that they follow it so that they are on time to school. Attendance at all NSW public schools is closely monitored by the Home School Liaison Officer. This includes full day absences as well as late arrivals or early finishes. Please try to ensure that your children are attending school on time each day of the week so that it does not impact on their learning opportunities.

P&C TRIVIA NIGHT
This is your last chance to secure a table at the Trivia Fun Night. There are some fantastic prizes on offer during the night and it promises to be a lot of fun. See if you can try to organise some of those wonderful grandparents to do some babysitting or send the grandparents along for the night. I commend the P&C on their efforts in trying to organise interesting fundraisers. We just hope you can try to support these.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION NEXT WEEK
We will be welcoming 24 new Kindergarten students to school in 2015 and parents and students will be joining us next Thursday for our first Orientation Day. We look forward to meeting our new students and their parents. The Kindergarten teacher for next year will be Mrs Harwood and we are confident that Miss McCutchan will also be part of the Kindergarten team.
Year 4 and 5 students will be allocated their buddies for 2015 next week. This is an important role for these students as they are the key to a successful start for our new students.

END OF YEAR DATES
Mrs Legge has including a number of dates for activities that are important events on our school calendar. Please make a note of these so that you have early notice of these activities. Many of these activities are only days apart so it is important you are aware and don’t miss out.
**LAMBS VALLEY ROAD CLOSURE**

Part of Lambs Valley Road will have **full road** closure from approximately the 11th November till the 22nd November. This will effect the Coffey bus route. Mr Coffey will continue to run and collect students from a different route and will advise parents by note shortly. If you have any questions please contact Mr Coffey on 0408631527.

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**ASSEMBLY AWARDS**

**KINDERGARTEN**

Ethan Kokins - a wonderful effort in all areas.
Riley Halson - a fantastic effort in all areas.
Saige Williams - working well independently in literacy time.
Lucas Coffey - a fantastic effort in his reading.
Sarah Brazier - a fantastic effort in her reading.

**YEAR 1/2**

Sonny Sales - his increased confidence when solving maths problems.
Patrick Fletcher - always using beautiful manners.
Holly Long - great work in comprehension groups.
Josh Heiligman - great work when chunking words for spelling.
Blake Pearce - great work when sequencing numbers.
Lahtia Platt - great work with numbers in the ‘100’s

**YEAR 2/3/4**

Joseph Regan - being a polite and respectful member of 2/3/4.
Peter Perry - his enthusiasm in the NRL coaching.
Hannah Hazell - her excellent creative writing piece.
Ryan Carson - excellent effort with his times table.
Grace Cant - an excellent explanation in mathematics.

**YEAR 4/5/6**

Joseph Fletcher - excellent group work in Literacy.
Liam Johnson - excellent group work in Literacy.
Brittany Moy - terrific effort in classwork.
Dylan McCormack - excellent work in maths (mass).
Jasmine Smurthwaite - excellent work in maths (mass).
Reef Stocks - working well in maths lessons this week.
Oli Allen - working consistently in maths lessons.

**BEST BOY**

Ryan Carson, Stirling Strachan, Luke Ralston and Lachlan Davies

**Best Girl**

Sarah Moy, Sierra Philp and Amy Whalan.

**BEST CLASS**

Kindergarten.

**ASSEMBLY ITEM PRESENTED BY:**

4/5/6 - Bali-Kinder artwork.

Kindergarten - Koala artwork.
**GRANDPARENTS DAY**

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**Grandparents’ Day Acrostic Poem**

Write an acrostic poem about your grandparents. Begin each line with a word or phrase that starts with the letter at that line.

- G: Grandparents are the best
- R: Really, I don’t think you’ll dissent
- A: A cup of tea or a cup of coffee
- N: No, they don’t let us eat much sugar
- D: Dear grandma and grandpa, or mom and pop
- P: Practically spent because they led you to the top
- A: And we all get spoiled eaten
- R: Filling my clothes with eaten
- E: Every day, every where
- V: Never do they have less care
- T: Till my grandparents, I love you!

*By Sienna*
*Ellie*