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END OF TERM APPROACHING QUICKLY

It has been a long and busy term for both students and teachers and as we draw to the end of Term 1 we can look back and be very proud of what we have achieved in a short space of time. Students are all settled into classes and are working consistently on units of work at appropriate stage levels to strengthen literacy and numeracy skills as well as investigating a variety of areas in science and geography. Learning support groups are up and functioning well and the school library is also fully operational for 2014. We have begun the Premier’s Reading Challenge and are preparing for the Premier’s Sporting Challenge. We have conducted our Swimming Carnival and Cross Country Carnival.

The Athletics Carnival planning is also well underway for Term 2 as is our Soccer Knockout competition. Teachers too have been busy attending different professional learning activities to support the work they do in classrooms and to strengthen their skills in leadership and management. Congratulations to our students and teachers on their enthusiastic efforts during Term 1 and we look forward to another productive Term 2. All staffing is settled for 2014 with only a minor change to our School Counsellor who is taking maternity leave. We wish Mrs Thurtell all the best on her new adventure. Our new Counsellor will be in place for Term 2.

PARENT INTERVIEWS CONTINUE THIS WEEK

Thank you to the many parents that have taken the time to come along for teacher/parent Interviews at this time. It is important that we have the chance to discuss your child and their academic and social progress. It also gives teachers the chance to ask questions about individuals. It helps make understanding school and the expectations clearer and more successful for everyone involved.

Year 1/2 and Year 2/3/4 have interviews scheduled this week.

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL SPIRITS WERE NOT DAMPENED

The Lochinvar Cross Country event was washed out last Thursday morning. A gap in the rain on Friday allowed us to complete this event for the 8 yrs and over. The Juveniles had their cross country event on Monday afternoon. The Zone Cross Country Carnival will be held at Tocal Agriculture College next Thursday, 3rd April. Notes have been sent home this week to those students selected to take place in the Zone. Parents will need to accompany students to this event. Congratulations to all our students on an outstanding effort. Our 2014 Cross Country Champions are: Juvenile Champions: Lucas Johnson and Sierra Philp. Junior Champions: Cynthia Gibbs and Liam Johnson. 11 Years Champions: Dylan McCormack and Niom Crawley. Senior Champions: Ella Gidney and Noah Hogan. Encouragement Awards: Saige Williams, Holly Long, Lydia Siddens and Emmie-Lou Philp.
Easter Raffle Takes Place Next Week
Thank you to the many parents who have sent along Easter egg donations for our raffle. Tickets are priced very low so that even students can afford to purchase lots of tickets. We usually have a large range of Easter prizes so there are good opportunities to go home with a prize. The prizes will be drawn on Friday, 11th April at our outdoor Easter Assembly. Each class will share some of their Easter Craft activities and parents are welcome to come along and enjoy the parade. We usually start at 2:15pm and prizes drawn at 2:30pm. If you haven’t sent along your egg donation there is still time. Please drop them off at the office. Don’t forget to return your raffle tickets prior to the draw.

School Fees and Excursion Deposits Due at This Time
All students involved in excursions later this year have received information regarding deposits. Please ensure you have paid your deposit so that we can confirm numbers with our excursion providers and transported operators.

School Fees are also due and are set by our P&C Association each year. They are very reasonable costs and although they are voluntary, they are an important source of income for our school and assist us in providing a variety of materials for use in all classrooms and with individual students. Please consider paying these.

* K-2 students $30 per year
* Year 3-6 $35 per year.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
On Monday next week 2 teachers and a parent volunteer will join with other local schools on a visit to Habersham Public School in Sydney. We are considering becoming a PBL school in 2015 so that we are consistent with our partner primary schools. This program celebrates student’s positive approach to learning, behaviour and play and ensures that the school has a value system that is developed by all the community – students, teachers and parents. We are in the investigation stage where we find out how this program works in different schools and then consider how it could look at Lochinvar if we decide as a community to take up the program. Parents will have more opportunity to learn about this program during the next 2 terms and to help us develop our values.

Easter Scripture Service Next Week
On Thursday, 10th April at 11:45am all students will visit the Anglican Church in Lochinvar to participate in our annual Easter Service with Father Chris and Mrs Slupik. Each class performs a song or segment of the Easter story as part of the Easter service and parents are welcome to attend. Students enjoy the opportunity to visit the Church and it is pleasant way to finish scripture for the term.

Year 6 Fun Fair a Lot of Fun for All Classes
Thank you to everyone who supported Year 6 first Fun Fair on Tuesday. Students were GREEN with envy at the great activities the year 6 students put together. There were some terrific ideas for dressing up and some great Irish jigs and funny leprechauns. The treasure hunt was a great idea and lots of students searched high and low for the very well hidden shamrocks or four leaf clovers. Thanks to all the students for joining in and the year 6 students raised $230.00 for their Farewell.
## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

### KINDERGARTEN

**Tiarna Davey** - being an enthusiastic class participant.
**Lucas Coffey** - great work with sounds.
**Darcy Ellicott** - always taking care with his work.
**Jun Hee Heo** - great work with counting.
**Brooke Madden** - great work in Literacy Groups.
**Madison Sowter** - great sounds knowledge.

### YEAR 1/2

**Isaiah Gray** - showing beautiful manners.
**Hannah Cant** - improvement in her sounding out of words.
**Patrick Fletcher** - great improvement in his creative writing.
**Deegan McLoughlin** - an improved attitude to his school work.
**Ryan Swan** - working hard when sounding out words.
**Maddison Winchester** - wonderful manners.
**Kyra Platt** - great work in maths.

### YEAR 2/3/4

**Jackie Weissel** - improved application in class.
**Kiara Platt** - improved fluency in Reading Groups.
**Conner Gibbs** - an excellent effort on his Great Barrier Reef brochure.
**Joel Heiligman** - his happy and cheerful approach in class.
**Calhum Clack** - best wishes for your big move and new adventures at your new school.
**Max Siddens** - improved confidence in class.

### YEAR 4/5/6

**Matt Quinn** - welcome to Lochinvar.
**Mikaelee Grime** - active participation in practical tasks.
**Logan Williams** - great effort in Maths Groups this week.
**Lydia Siddens** - always giving her best in all tasks
**Joseph Fletcher** - excellent effort in art.
**Toby Champness** - excellent effort in Maths Groups.

### BEST BOY

**Lucas Coffey.**

### BEST GIRL

**Niomi Crawley and Mikaelee Grime.**

### BEST CLASS

2/3/4.

### ASSEMBLY ITEM PRESENTED BY:

4/5/6 - Aboriginal Campsite models.
Kindergarten - Harmony Day Balloons.
1/2 - Chinese dragons and 4/5/6 - Tall ships.
Canteen News: Recess Special TERM 1 * 1 bottle of spring water and a bag of popcorn $1.50. Wednesdays are proving to be quite busy, can anyone volunteer 2 hours on a Wednesday between 9am & 11am.

Week 10 volunteers are Chelsie Allen, Sheree Allen, Brooke Guest and Jen McCormack. Week 11 volunteers are Peter Champness and Sheree Allen.

Thank you to all our volunteers in Term 1 your help has been very much appreciated by the school community.

Wednesday, 9th April will be our Easter Special please send your note and money to the office as soon as possible for catering purposes.

THE CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED THE LAST DAY OF TERM

Please ensure your child brings a packed lunch.