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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW HOUSE & VICE CAPTAINS.

Last week students elected their new House Captains and Vice Captains. We would like to congratulate these students, they did an excellent job leading their teams at our swimming carnival on Wednesday. The presentation of badges and induction for these students will be held on Friday 26th February at our next whole school assembly. We would also like to congratulate Alison Kalverla who is our new Vice-Captain.

Hungerford: Captains- Indea and Matt; Vice Captains- Chelsea and Jaydan
Atkins: Captains- Peter and Amy; Vice Captains- Andrew and Grace
Morris: Captains- Kiara and Pat; Vice Captains- Taylah and Rory
Mills: Captains- Callum and Jackie; Vice Captains- Shianne and Lachlan

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Well done Lochinvar on a fantastic day. Students, parents and teachers had a great day on Wednesday at our swimming carnival. Team spirit was high and it was terrific to hear the teams cheering on their friends. Thank you to the parents that assisted with time keeping. Ribbons and the winning house will be announced at our next assembly. Special thanks to Mrs Jackson and Miss Russell for organising this event. Best of luck to our successful swimmers as they head off to zone.

P & C AGM MEETING

On Tuesday 8th March we are holding our Annual General Meeting for the P & C. During this meeting, positions will be open for election and members will vote. We will also be discussing fundraising plans for the year. Everyone is welcome to attend. Meetings are held in the 5/6 classroom from 2:15pm. Thank you to all our new parents that joined us for the last meeting, we look forward to seeing you again.

P & C CADBURY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

The first P & C fundraiser for the year- Cadbury Freddo Frogs! Yummo! Chocolates sell for $1 each and come in cartons of 50. If you are interested in supporting this fundraiser, cartons can be collected from the School Office. All money needs to be returned to school by Friday 4th March. Funds raised will be used to purchase literacy and numeracy resources for the school.
**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY FRIDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY**

4/5 will be hosting our next School Assembly. School Assemblies will be held *every second Friday* under the COLA. Each class will have a turn hosting an Assembly and parents and carers will be advised when it is their child’s class turn. We look forward to having you join us for the Assembly.

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**PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL**

We've had a number of concerns reported to us about parents parking and driving unsafely around the school. Our students' safety is our priority, so please abide by parking guidelines and road safety rules in order to keep our kids safe.

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**LIBRARY DAYS**

Mrs Howard will be working in the Library this year. Library will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday as outlined below:

- **Tuesday:** 1/2H; 4/5 & 5/6
- **Wednesday:** KM
- **Thursday:** 1/2M, 3 & KH

Your child will need a library bag in order to borrow books from the library so that we can ensure our books remain protected between school and home.

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**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

School photos will be taken on Monday 29th February. Please ensure that students are wearing full school uniform including black shoes and white socks. Photo envelopes have been sent home and can be returned to the office. **There are additional photo envelopes available at the school office for any extended families requiring additional copies.**

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**SKOOLBAG**

Just a reminder for our new parents & families, Skoolbag is a free app that can be downloaded to your phone. We use this app to communicate what’s happening at school. I have trialled setting up folders for each grade so that parents can opt to just get notifications regarding the grades their children are in. If you are experiencing any difficulties please let me know.

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**RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSION**

On Wednesday 24th February, Michael Whiting, Principal of RTHS will be hosting an information session for parents of current year 6 students. It will be held from 3-4pm in our school Library. Rutherford High School provides a range of outstanding programs and experiences for students and this will be a terrific opportunity for parents & carers to get more detailed information about the school. I would encourage all year 6 parents to come along and join us for this information session.
ASSEMBLY AWARDS

K/H
Harry - excellent listening.
Lucy A - excellent participation in dance.
Tiana - excellent listening.
Isabella - being kind and caring.

K/M
Haydan - always demonstrating his 5L’s.
Hope - being a great helper.
Kaide - always trying his best.
Lucy O - always being an attentive listener.

YEAR 1/2H
Blake - excellent effort when working with short and long vowels.
Toby - excellent contribution to classroom discussions.
Jett - displaying a mature and settled approach to term 1.
Molli - excellent results when working with ones, tens and hundreds.

YEAR 1/2M
Chayne - a great start in all areas at his new school.
Tiarna - her great attitude towards improving her learning.
Miley - an awesome effort when sounding out.
James - his great enthusiasm for all classroom tasks.

YEAR 3
Tanner - being a responsible and co-operative class member.
Isabelle - taking pride in the presentation of her work.
Jessica - presenting an exciting ‘news’ story about a snake.
Shorno - being respectful and always amongst the first ready to learn.

YEAR 4/5
Jaydan - always being ready to start his work.
Sam - excellent understanding of place value.
Chelsea - her very persuasive speaking and listening task.

YEAR 5/6
Cynthia - awesome power sentence writing.
Joseph - excellent bookwork presentation.
Taylah - great participation in class discussions.
Callum - excellent participation in class discussion.
2016 REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!!!
Cost - $90
U6’s (new players only) – FREE
BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME!!!
Players required for U6’s – 1st Grade
Also, Girl’s League Tag U13/14
Ladies League Tag 15+
For more information contact;
Jaime on 0400 119 024
or email djth@bigpond.com.au

Keeping Children Safe

This free 4 session information & awareness program is designed to help parents & carers understand how abuse and neglect affects children and what they can do to prevent it.

The aim of this program is for participants to develop:
A greater understanding of child abuse & neglect.
A better understanding of the effects of abuse & neglect on children.
An improved capacity to prevent child abuse & neglect.

Where: Real Life Church, Cinema Complex
Ken Tubman Drive Maitland
When: Friday 19th February, 26th February,
Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm
Cost: Free
Childcare available – limited spaces bookings essential

To enquire or register your interest in attending this group please ring
49 140 444
Bookings essential

Respect
Responsibility
Pride

Maitland FAMILY SUPPORT

REGISTRATION DAYS:
SUNDAY 14th February at Max McMahon Oval Rutherford 10:00am - Noon
SUNDAY 21st February at McDonalds Rutherford 10:00am - Noon

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