

Lismore Public School

NEWSLETTER



Principal's Message

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all had a wonderful break. Thankfully the weather was kind to us for most of the time.

Thank you for attending our Easter Celebrations on the last day of term. The students had a great time and there was a lovely school community vibe. We have lots of great photos to share with you!

Next week, our K-6 Assembly is being run by our school captains. There will be no class item, however, you are always welcome to join us if you wish.

Our next P&C Meeting will be next Monday, 5th May. It is held in our staffroom from 5:15pm - 6:15pm. Please feel free to join us. We'd love to see more parents involved.

All students, aged 8 years and older, will head to Nesbitt Park next Thursday for our annual Cross Country Carnival. If you wish to cheer on your child/ren, we envisage a 9:30ish start and believe we will be back at school by 11:00ish. Carnivals are always hard to gauge, time wise.

Our K-2 students will be holding a lovely Mother's Day afternoon tea next Friday. This will be held under the K-2 COLA. I wish all our mums, and Mother figures a wonderful Mother's Day!

Jenica McDonald will be escorting some of our Indigenous students to participate in an Aboriginal Art Day at Goonellabah PS next Friday too.

Principal's Message Cont...

The student's finished artwork will be displayed at Lismore Square towards the end of term. We are looking forward to seeing what their joint artistic skills produce!

I will be taking some long service leave beginning on Monday. Ms Fallon Campbell will be the Relieving Principal during my absence. Mrs Carissa Walmsley will return to Lismore PS as the classroom teacher for 1/2C and Mrs Heather Cole will relieve as the ES1/S1 Assistant Principal. I shall return to school in Week 9.

Samantha Rowsell

Principal

Cross Country

The Cross Country Carnival will be held at Nesbitt Park on Thursday, 8 May 2025 (Week 2). The races will start at 9.30am and finish at approximately 11am.

All students in Year 3 – 6 are expected to attend the carnival and no alternate arrangements will be in place at school.

Please note, Year 2 students who are currently, or will turn 8 during 2025 are able to participate in the event. For younger Year 2 students, this will be a normal school day.

To ensure safety, students will wear school uniform.



We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Elders past and present of the Wijabal Wiyabal people and other peoples of Bundjalung Nation. We acknowledge that they are the first peoples of this land on which our school stands.

PSSA Cricket Team

Congratulations to the Lismore Public School cricket team who recently played two fixtures in the statewide PSSA knockout competition. They won their first round match against Lismore Heights Public School by 42 runs and then played a very close match against Kyogle Public School, narrowly losing in the last over of the match. Well done to our students who represented the school with pride!

Mr Peachey



Lismore Lantern Parade - 21st June

This year's **Lantern Parade will be held on Saturday 21st June 2025**. Specifics such as the start time and march route will be advised as we get closer to the event. Please monitor the newsletter for updates. If you are interested in having your child / children participate, please complete and return the attached note and money to the office by **Wednesday 7th May 2025**. **As we need to preorder the lanterns, the office will be unable to take late orders.** Lanterns are **\$14.00 each**. We will be decorating these at school during the week beginning 9th June 2025. Parents / Carers will need to march with their child / children and be able to pick the lanterns up from Lismore Public School before 3:00pm on Friday 20th June 2025.

Hoping to see you there,

Jennifer Lumley



Salvation Army Donation

We have partnered with Donna Sutcliffe from The Salvation Army, who has kindly donated 'lunch pack' resources for our students. These 'lunch packs' contain foods such as muesli bars, fruit packs, cheese and popcorn. The 'lunch packs' are available to our students who may not have brought their lunch for the day. The 'lunch packs' can be picked up from our lovely SLSO Jenny Brophy from the canteen during breakfast club of a morning. The Salvation Army is a not-for-profit organisation, whose goal is to help our school and the wider community thrive.



P&C - Mothers Day Stall

2025 Mother's Day Stall



Friday 9th May



All Gifts \$10ea

Lismore Public School P&C is holding their Mother's Day stall on Friday 9th May 2025.

With time quickly getting away from us, we kindly ask that all donations be sent in by Thursday next week.

For students who would like to take part in the stall, they are asked to first donate a gift (such as coffee mugs, chocolates, slippers, candles, books, bath products, or perfume). Alternatively, you can send in a \$10 donation, and we'll do the shopping for you!

All donations can be dropped off to the office.

On the day of the stall, students who have donated will be able to choose and purchase a gift for \$10 (cash only).

If your child would like to buy two gifts, please send in two donations (two gifts or \$20).

Thanks for supporting this fun event!



Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

K-2 students are hosting
a Mother's Day afternoon tea
for the special women
in their lives.

Date: Friday 9th May
Time: 2:15pm-3:00pm
Location: Infants COLA

Join us
for some yummy treats
and fun games!



School Bytes

Lismore Public School uses School Bytes for various things, it is a simple and efficient way of handling notes, payments, attendance and communications. Families will easily be able to see their accounts and pay online through the Parent Portal.

The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and process payments for multiple siblings in one transaction, even if they attend different schools (assuming all of the schools use School Bytes!).

IMPORTANT – To ensure that the registration process works smoothly and you can link your account to your child (ren), make sure that you use the same email address that you have provided to the school or if using a different email address, an SMS verification code will be sent to the mobile phone number on record for you at the school.

User Guides

Helpful user guides cover everything you need to know about School Bytes and your parent portal. Visit

Parent Guides – School Bytes

If you have any trouble setting up your Parent Portal, or receive a notification saying you need a linking code, please contact us at the school office on 02 6621 5366, or email lismore-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and we can assist you.

You can also contact the School Bytes help team at **p:** 1300 211 438 **e:** support@schoolbytes.education

To Create or Login to your Parent Portal account - Parent Portal - accessed via this link:

<https://portal.schoolbytes.education>

Or

School Bytes Parent App

- App Store - <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/school-bytes/id6463097826>
- Google Play - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=education.schoolbytes>

School Bytes has released their parent app for Apple and Android devices.

This app is designed to complement their existing parent portal and will make it easier for parents to use School Bytes on their mobile devices.



School Bytes - Detailed steps

1. Open the parent portal link – <https://portal.schoolbytes.education/auth/login>
2. Select the create a new account link.
3. Enter your first name as it appears on your student's profile at the school.
4. Enter your last name as it appears on your student's profile at the school.
5. Enter the email address that you use for school communication.
6. Enter a password.
7. Confirm the password.
8. Select create account.

An email will be sent to the email address nominated so that you can verify your access to the email address.

Once you have created your account, log in to the School Bytes parent portal.

You can now link your account to all students in schools that use the School Bytes platform.

1. Select link other student.
2. Search for the school's name.
3. Enter the student's first name.
4. Enter the student's last name.
5. Select the student's current grade.
6. Enter the student's date of birth.
7. Select search.

If all student information matches with parent information according to the student's official enrolment stored at the school, the system will add the student to the parent account automatically.

If you are unable to link a student to your account or if you have any questions relating to this process please contact the school.

Activating the Parent App

1. Access the app store on your phone and search for School Bytes.

If you can't find it, here are the direct links:

Apple: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=education.schoolbytes>

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=education.schoolbytes>

2. Download the School Bytes App.
3. Use your username and password created previously to log on.
4. If prompted, allow notifications.

You are all set to go!

Easter Hat Parade



Easter Dioramas



Community Notice

Family Support Network is offering three free parenting programs in Term 2, designed to support caregivers in fostering strong and healthy relationships with their children.

- **Circle of Security** – A research-backed, relationship-based program focused on enhancing attachment security between parents/carers and their children.

4 workshops, running **Thursdays from 8th May to 29th May, 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM** at **1/73 Magellan Street, Lismore.**

- **Bringing Up Great Kids** – A program centered on building positive, nurturing connections between caregivers and children.

5 workshops, running **Wednesdays from 28th May to 25th June, 10:00 AM – 2:30 PM** at **1/73 Magellan Street, Lismore.**

- **Tuning Into Kids** – An evidence-based, emotion-focused program offering a fresh perspective on parenting, emphasizing the emotional bond between caregivers and children.

6 workshops, running **Tuesdays from 13th May to 17th June, 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM** at **1/73 Magellan Street, Lismore.**

All parenting programs are completely free, please feel welcome to share the flyers with families that you support.

Bringing up Great Kids

FREE PARENTING PROGRAM

Bringing Up Great Kids emphasises building positive and nurturing relationships between parents and children, while helping parents reflect and improve their communication patterns to foster more respectful interactions and encourage the development of children's positive self-identity.

What you will learn

- Learn to build positive, respectful relationships with children.
- Identify healthy responses to children's needs.
- Understand your parenting styles.
- Source relevant information and support on effective parenting.



- 5 x workshops
Wednesdays, 28th May to 25th June
- 10:00am - 12:30pm
- 1/73 Magellan Street, Lismore CBD
- To register, please call 6621 2489
- <https://fsn.org.au>
- admin@fsn.org.au

Recommended for
parents/caregivers with
children 2 -12 years old.



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Circle of Security

FREE PARENTING PROGRAM

Circle of Security employs a relationship-based approach that focuses on enhancing attachment security between parents/carers and their children. Backed by research, this program assists parents and carers in making better sense of their child's behaviour and needs, while strengthening connections with them.



Participants will learn the following

- Understanding their child's emotional world by learning to read their emotional needs.
- Supporting their child's ability to successfully manage emotions.
- Enhancing the development of their child's self-esteem
- How to honour the innate wisdom and desire for their child to be secure.

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Recommended for
parents and carers with
children of any age.

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Tuning in to Kids

FREE PARENTING PROGRAM



Tuning in to Kids is an evidence-based, emotion-focused program that offers a fresh perspective on parenting by emphasising the emotional bond between parents and their children.

What you will learn

- Increased self-awareness and emotional regulation
- Strategies to recognise and respond to children's emotions
- Stronger emotional connections with children through empathy
- Guidance for children to express and manage their feelings
- Development of collaborative problem-solving skills

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Term 2 Calendar 2025

2	5th May 2.20pm K-6 Assembly No class item	6th May	7th May	8th May 9:30-11am Cross Country - Nesbitt Park	9th May Mothers Day Afternoon Tea 9:30am-2:30pm Aboriginal Art Day - Goonellabah PS	10/11
3	12th May 2.20pm K-6 Assembly 2/3C Item 12pm-2pm PSSA Netball	13th May	14th May 10am-2pm Town GALA Sports Day - Netball & Soccer	15th May	16th May	17/18
4	19th May 2.20pm K-6 Assembly 1/2C Item	20th May	21st May	22nd May	23rd May	24/25
5	26th May 2.20pm K-6 Assembly PBL Bronze Award Ceremony	27th May 3/4M Cake Stall	28th May Bundjalung Language & Culture Camp	29th May Bundjalung Language & Culture Camp	30th May Bundjalung Language & Culture Camp Canteen Meal Deal	31/1
6	2nd June Compass Music Festival (Primary Choir) - Coffs Harbour No Assembly	3rd June	4th June 9:10-11:10am The Rivers Secondary College - Year 5 Roadshow	5th June FNC Dance Festival - Twin Towns	6th June	7/8
7	9th June King's Birthday - Public Holiday No School Today	10th June	11th June	12th June	13th June	14/15
8	16th June 2.20pm K-6 Assembly K/1B Item	17th June	18th June	19th June	20th June	21/22 Lantern Festival
9	23rd June 2.20pm K-6 Assembly KH Item	24th June Year 2/3 Cake Stall	25th June	26th June	27th June School Disco	28/29
10	30th June 2.20pm K-6 Assembly Support Class Item	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	4th July Canteen Meal Deal NAIDOC Smoking Ceremony & Rotations	5/6
	7TH July SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	8th July SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	9th July SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	10th July SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	11th July SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	12/13