



MODANVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Thursday 8th August, 2013

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Dear Parents,

Upcoming events

Next P&C meeting, Tuesday September 3rd, 6:30pm

Japanese Cultural Day, Thursday 8th August

5/6 Assembly, Friday 9th August 2pm

Zone Athletics, Friday 16th August

MPS Public Speaking, Wednesday 21st August

The Channon Teams Day, Friday 23rd August

Performing Arts Festival, Tues-Thurs, 27th-29th Aug

Athletics Carnivals

Last Thursday our school joined other small schools for our Dunoon district Athletics carnival at Riverview Park. The day was a great success with many students achieving personal bests. Thanks you to all the staff, parents and administrative staff who helped to make the day so enjoyable. I would also like to extend a special thank you to Darren Smith who kindly transported our sports equipment to and from Riverview Park. On Tuesday this week we had another great day out at Dunoon for our Field Events day. I would like to congratulate all students who participated in the two days. Several students will go on to compete at the Zone Athletics carnival on Friday the 16th August. A note regarding the zone carnival will be sent out this week to those students.



Yamata Takada Cultural Day

Today, students from Kindergarten to Year 4, travelled to Goonellabah to participate in a cultural day with visitors from Yamato Takada (Lismore's sister city in Japan). The students enjoyed a variety of activities including origami making, kimono dressing and Japanese painting. It was a great day out and the students behaved beautifully.

Lost Property

We currently have a large amount of lost property in our box in the foyer. Please check that all school uniform items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Reading Recovery

This year, Diana Cantrell from The Channon School will be running the Reading Recovery program at Modanville during terms 3 and 4. Four students from year 1 have been selected for the program on the basis of need. At this stage it is expected that our allocation of students will remain the same for 2014.

Performing Arts Festival

Tickets for the evening performance go on sale this Monday the 12th August from the Lismore Workers club. We will find out which night we are performing in tomorrow (9th August) and will let students know. Please note that all students involved need to put their own costume together based on the theme of bright colours/funky/denim/. Students from Kindergarten to year 4 also need a small umbrella (please label clearly). Please send the umbrellas to school A.S.A.P so that we can practise at school.

Kinder Orientation

It is that time of year again when we start preparing to welcome a new group of Kindergarten students into our school. Our first Kindergarten orientation day is set for Wednesday the 11th September from 9.15 - 11.30am. A morning tea will be provided on the day. Please support our school community by passing this

information on to any friends or family who may have a child starting school next year.

The Channon Teams Day - Help needed

On Friday, 23rd of August we will be participating in The Channon Teams day. We need parent volunteers to be team managers on the day. We would place you with your child's team. Please let the office know if you are able to manage a team for the day.

Mr Cooper returns to school this coming Monday. I would like to thank the school community for supporting me in my role as relieving principal over the last few weeks. I have enjoyed the experience of being in charge of this fantastic school!

Geraldine Kerr
(Relieving Principal)

RECYCLED BATTERY COLLECTION: Unfortunately, Lismore City Council is no longer able to come to our school to collect used batteries for recycling. We would have to take them in to a recycling depo ourselves. Considering how to arrange this, it was felt that it would be easier for parents and community members to arrange their own dropping off in Lismore of any used batteries. Therefore, **we will no longer have a recycling box here at school.**

Thank you to all parents who have supported our school in this effort. This has meant we not only contributed to helping our environment but also received many book vouchers over the years that have added to the wonderful resources in our library.

MEDICAL UPDATES REQUIREMENT

The Department of Education has asked us to update all students' medical details using a new form they have issued. This will happen over the coming weeks and we thank you for your patience in completing yet another form!

ASSEMBLIES: 2pm Fridays
Year 5/6 Friday, 9th August
Kindergarten Friday, 30th August
Parents are invited to come and see our special assemblies.

CANTEEN NEWS:

Lunches available Monday and Friday only

CANTEEN ROSTER: TERM 3

8/8, R. Smith
9/8, S. Barnsley
12/8, E. Worts
13/8, L. Vickers
15/8, R. Smith
16/8, J. Barlow, E. Goulding
19/8, V. McIntosh
20/8, J. Joseph
22/8, L. Vickers
23/8 NO CANTEEN

COOKING ROSTER:

8/8, R. Smith
9/8, C. Nilon
12/8, L. McInerney
13/8, L. Vickers
15/8, J. Tandy
16/8, J. Barlow
19/8, T. Cook
20/8, S. Friske
22/8, K. Bright
23/8, NO CANTEEN

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Week 2

Kiera, being a responsible learner
Connor, excellent thinking during discussions
Imogen, being positive, kind and helpful
Padi, fantastic work in maths patterns!
Jarred, improved reading during reading groups
Maddy B, great participation in classroom discussions

Week 3

Christiaan, a great first week
Ryan, positive attitude to all activities
Zara, beautiful handwriting
Will Y, excellent knowledge of doubles facts
Asha, having great work habits
Reid, being a happy, helpful student

WORK OF THE WEEK - Week 2

Will R, excellent owl art work
Kaleb, beautiful 'umbrella' art
Chris, great expression during debating
Liam, beautiful piece of cubist artwork
Hannah, beautiful piece of cubist artwork

Week 3

Class 1/2, beautiful stained glass windows
Brock, fabulous poetry
Amity, fantastic penguin art work



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YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

Week 2	Week 3
Resilience , Samara Organisation , all of year 5/6 Confidence , Callan Confidence , Reid	Resilience , Josh R Persistence , Xavier Organisation , Harry Getting Along , Jack C Confidence , Rachael

Tips From Live Life Well @ School

Water:

Tap water makes the best drink!

It is thirst quenching and doesn't cost anything.

Here's what water has to offer:

It is cheap and readily available

It doesn't contain any kilojoules or sugar

It encourages optimal function of the body

We should aim to drink between five to eight cups of water a day. In the warmer months it is important to keep well hydrated. Always have water available when children are active. Encourage them to drink water regularly, even in cooler months.

Community News

Futsal sign on: 10th and 17th September at Blue Hills College, from 4 - 6pm. For more information go to www.futsalfnc.com.au

Fresh Food For Kids

Food facts:

Potatoes: are a reliable source of vitamin C, which boosts immunity against infection. Cooking potatoes in their skins helps to retain their vitamin C content. The skin and flesh of potatoes provide dietary fibre that helps prevent constipation.

Broccoli: nutrient-dense broccoli contains iron (essential for red blood cells), potassium (helps regulate sodium intake from salty foods) and vitamins, including vitamin C, a vital ingredient for healthy gums and cartilage.

(Information from the Fresh for Kids Winter 2013 issue.)

Insights by Michael Grose

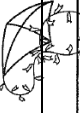
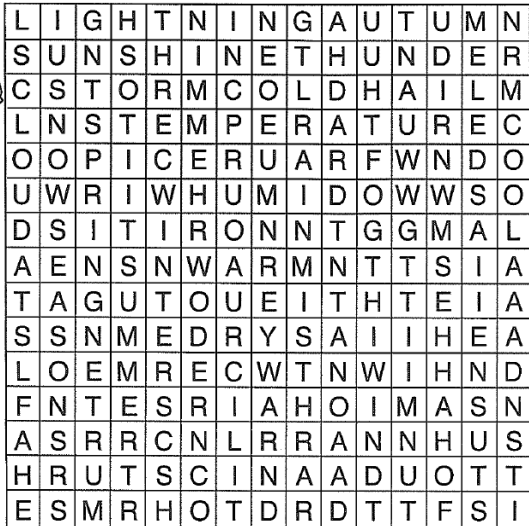
If you agree that the promotion of resilience is in the best interest of kids then check out one of the common parenting mistakes that reduce children's resilience:

1. **Fight all their battles for them:** There is nothing wrong with going into bat when kids struggle or meet with difficulty inside or outside school but make sure this is the last resort, not the first option. **Give kids the opportunity to develop their own resourcefulness.**

Year 5/6 pop art portraits



Seasons Word Search



dry cold rain cloud spring thunder
fog cool snow humid summer sunshine
hot hail warm storm winter lightning
ice mist wind autumn seasons temperature

Write these words in alphabet order:

wind hot ice snow cold cool dry hail fog mist rain warm

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Aboriginal Seasons



Aboriginal people tell the seasons not just by the weather, but also by changes in the local plants and how animals behave.

While some people in tropical Australia may only see a wet and a dry season, the aboriginal people divide the year into six seasons. Where the people live in Australia decides how many seasons there are, the signs of each season, and the names they are called.

In Alison Lester's book, *Ernie Dances to the Didgeridoo*, the seasons of Arnhem Land are:

___ d ___	monsoon season	December to March
___ r ___	harvest	March to May
___ k ___	cool weather	May to June
___ k ___	early dry season	June to August
___ u ___	hot and dry season	August to October
___ l ___	pre-monsoon	October to December
Wurrkeng Kudjewk Yekke Kurnumeleng Bangkereng Kurrung		

Use the chart above to help you match up the seasons.

monsoon season	Autumn
harvest	Summer
cool weather	Late Winter - Early Spring
early dry season	Spring
hot and dry season	Winter
pre-monsoon	Late Summer - Early Autumn

