I was delighted last week to have a visitor to our school comment on how friendly the children were. She was met with a smile, a greeting and an offer to carry her bags. This is an example of our Habit number 1: Be Proactive.

This week we move onto the second Habit: Begin with the End in Mind. All teachers and children started to develop one personal and one learning goal. This week a plan to achieve this goal will be developed. Beginning with the End in Mind is to think about how you would like something to turn out before you get started.

Our school promotes healthy eating and lifestyle. The P&C puts a lot of thought into ensuring they offer the healthiest possible menu by including a large range of "green" foods. We also limit the number of "red" food days. To support us to keep our school healthy please be mindful of what you put in your child’s lunch box. There are many conveniently packaged snacks on the market that are full of sugar. These are great for a treat but they should not form the majority of lunch box food.
The Leader in Me

The Habit of the week is: Begin with the end in mind
Expectation: Create your learning and personal goal. Plan the steps needed to achieve your goal.

Points of Interest

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School Fees

School fees for 2016 have now been set and are as follows: $30.00 per child or $50.00 per family.

Easter Hat Parade

The Easter Hat Parade will be held on Thursday, 24th of March at 2pm on the playground. Students will be making their hats at school. We are asking all families to donate Easter themed decorations such as feathers, plastic eggs, glitter etc to their child’s class to be shared with all children. We appreciate your donations.
Year 2

Year 2 has been working hard in Maths, learning their friends to 10 and friends to 20.

Year 2’s amazing artwork!
We have been exploring line and colour to make our work interesting.

Lake Keepit Excursion Year 3 – 6
This year we are going on an excursion to Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Park. The cost per child is $200.00 which includes all meals, accommodation and transport. This is for 3 days and 2 nights.
Payments can be made in instalments now at the school office.
Final payments must be made by Friday, 20th May, 2016. No extensions will be granted unless signed off by the Principal.

Clean up Australia Day
The school is supporting Clean Up Australia day this Friday, 4.03.16 by cleaning up parts of the school and community.

Year 2
Year 2 will be designing and making a toy using materials such as milk cartons, bottle caps, plastic bottle etc.
If anyone could help out with any of these items it would be greatly appreciated.
Thank you
K. Spicer
RFF Teacher

P and C News/Community News

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P & C Membership Fees – Membership fees have been set at $5.00 and are now due.
Easter Raffle Donations – Donations towards the Easter raffle can now be left at the school office. Tickets have been sent home today.
P & C Clothing Pool – The P & C has a limited stock of pre-loved school clothing available for sale. Please see the office or contact Kylie MacBeth (0410 545 165) if you wish to purchase.
Healthy Canteen Options – We have had a positive response to our new healthy options available at the canteen. Thank you for your support as we continue to bring new, exciting food options to our canteen.
P & C Meeting – This meeting will be held on Thursday, 17th March, 2016 commencing at 1:00 pm
INVITATION: All Welcome!

REESTABLISHMENT MEETING
LIVERPOOL PLAINS LOCAL ABORIGINAL EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE GROUP (NSW AECG Inc.)

Introduction

The Liverpool Plains LAECG would like to invite parents, carers, school staff [Principals, Executive, and Teachers], Directors PSNSW and interested community members to attend this important event!

Please note: All schools in the Liverpool Plains area are invited to attend, and it is envisaged that once established LAECG meetings will rotate between participating public schools. The NSW AECG Inc. thanks NSW public schools for their support and commitment to consultation and collaboration.

Vision

The Vision Statement of the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. is: “to provide advice on all matters relevant to education and training with the mandate that this advice represents the Aboriginal community viewpoint…”

The AECG promotes respect, employment and self-determination whilst believing that the process of collaborative consultation is integral to equal partnerships, and is thus fundamental to the achievement of social equality within educational systems.

The AECG advocates cultural affirmation, integrity and the pursuit of equality to ensure that the unique and diverse identity of Aboriginal students is recognised and valued within NSW public schools.

MEETING

Date: Wednesday 9 March 2016.
Time: 4pm.
Location: Quirindi Public School (Murro Street, Quirindi)
Guest speaker: Melinda Brown (North West 2 Project Officer) has kindly volunteered her time to attend this meeting to provide advice, support and suggested strategies to re-establish a highly sustainable LAECG for the Liverpool Plains.
Contact: Stella Lamb [Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer, Tamworth, 67556024].

Where: Quirindi High School Hall (entry via Abbott Street)
All Community members welcome from 11am until 2pm

A great opportunity to find out what services are available in your community for you and your family including:

- Transport Services
- Age Services
- Cancer Support Services
- Education Services
- Children & Family Services
- Health Services
- Youth Services
- Disability Services

“The Good Services Mob” will also be in attendance to help you with any problems with banks, credit cards, fines, loans, discrimination, health services, electricity, gas and water companies, businesses, contractors, federal government agencies.

A light BBQ lunch will be provided to all visitors.

If you are wise you won’t miss it!!!

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