



Lowanna Public School

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Week 7 Term 3 – Monday 28/8/2017

Dates to remember:

Monday 28th August-Friday 1st September:

NAPLAN online testing

Thursday 31st August: Mrs Hawken's class to movies to view 'A Monster Calls'

Friday 8th September:

Orara Valley Softball Day - Years 3-6 at Glenreagh

Book Week

Visitors to Lowanna stepped into a land of make believe on Wednesday as part of our Book Week celebrations. Cruella de Ville, Little Red Riding Hood, Crusty Demons aplenty and even a Pokemon, were just some of the characters sighted in our playground.

The Yrs 4-6 children shared their amazing story books created with Mrs Quirk and it was wonderful to see the children so proud of their achievements and their audiences so enthralled with their stories.

A big thank you to all our parents, family and friends who were able to join us on the day and share a cuppa and cake afterwards. It's amazing the difference it makes to the quality of the children's work when they know it will be shared with a real audience – you!

Special thanks to Mrs Quirk for all the work she put into making our Book Week such a success.



K-3 Class News

Our class regularly take a “Brain Break” as part of our daily learning routine. It’s a chance for the children to recharge ready for the next learning task.

Our K-3 children have made everything from wooden trucks with rolling wheels through to collage and artworks. Over the coming weeks the children are completing new “Brain Break” tasks which they submitted plans for last week, so expect to see everything from wooden houses and motorised Lego through to knitting.

With all the illnesses over the past weeks we are a little behind with our garden murals and musical fence.

This week the children are asked to wear painting clothes on **Wednesday** and **Friday** if possible.



Orara High Performance

On Friday, Lowanna Public School students travelled by private transport to the Eastern Dorriggo Community Hall at Ulong. We watched students from Orara High perform a djembe drumming ensemble and a poi light show. Ulong students showcased what they have been learning in Tai Chi this year. All performances were fantastic and a credit to the students and staff of each school.

After the performances, Lowanna and Ulong students were given the opportunity to learn how to drum and poi, coached by Orara High School. It was fantastic to watch the collaboration between the primary and high school students.

Parents and grandparents enjoyed a lovely lunch at the Hall, catered by Ulong School. We made the most of the Hall facilities by eating lunch and having a play on the equipment before walking up to Ulong School.

Despite the dreary mountain weather, a wonderful day was had by all. On behalf of us all, a massive thank you to all the parents and carers that could transport students.

Ms Corfe



Class News

A few weeks ago, Deacan bought in some very special news for the 4/5/6 class - a Witchetty Grub!

Even though he made a few kids feel squeamish with his new pet, we researched the grub and found out some extremely interesting facts. Thank you for sharing with us, Deacan.

Ms Corfe



Super-worms!



On Monday, students in 4/5/6 eagerly put together their very own school worm farm.

All their hard work and research paid off as the 'red wrigglers' seem very happy in their new home.

Please feel free to send in any unwanted kitchen scraps to school that are on the 'yes' list as we will feed them to our composting worms. If you are unsure, ask your children as they are very knowledgeable on all things worm related.

We are looking forward to lots of fantastic worm juice to use as fertilizer on our L.O.L.A. garden beds.

Ms Corfe

Principal Notes

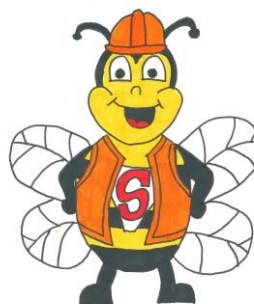
I was disappointed to miss out on the Book Week Parade and the Orara High Concert at Ulong last week, but thanks to Mrs Hoenselaars for sending me a video and photos and Jo Penhall sending photos to the school Facebook page, I could at least see a small snippet of the activities.

Thank you also to Mrs Cassidy and Miss Corfe for writing up the details below of these days last week to share with everyone in the newsletter.

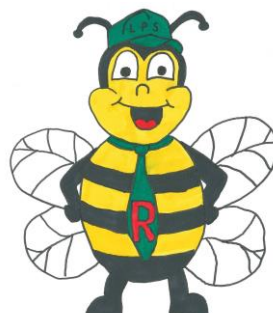
Sadly, my test results came back a positive result for Influenza A, and the doctor won't allow me to return to work until I'm no longer contagious. So I will be back at school on Thursday, and then have to attend a Coffs Harbour Principal's Meeting on Friday.

I am extremely fortunate to have Miss Corfe continue my teaching program while I am away sick, and to Mrs Cassidy for monitoring any admin and wellbeing requirements in my absence.

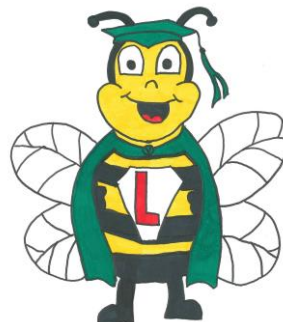
Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Learner



Over the last few weeks we have been reminding the children of the expected behaviours we would see in different areas of the school, and both the positive and negative consequences associated with displayed behaviours.



Over the next few weeks, I will add to the Newsletter some reminders about our behaviour expectations.



This week I'll begin with the playground. Please talk about these expectations with your child at home.

Kind Regards,
Alison Hawken

In the Playground

Be Safe	by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sitting down to eat • staying in boundaries • not playing roughly • not hurting others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wearing your school hat • running only on the grass • telling the teacher about unsafe behaviour
Be Respectful	by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • following instructions • using good manners • putting rubbish in the bin • taking care of property • being kind to others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • playing by the rules • being honest • being responsible for your actions • speaking kindly to others
Be a Learner	by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • listening to others • helping others • listening to advice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • letting the teacher know about unsafe behaviour • using positive strategies to solve problems

More Book Parade photos...

