SWIMMING CARNIVAL

It was marvellous to see the fun and spirit at our inaugural swimming carnival last week. Mrs McCleary certainly had a great day planned and the weather was super. After we finished the race part of the carnival, there was loads of time for great team building novelty events. Thanks to the parents, grandparents, brothers and sons that helped with timekeeping and gave us great support.

PERMANENT TEACHER APPOINTMENT

We welcome Mrs Jane Egan as a permanent member of staff. She will be a valued member of our teaching team and we certainly congratulate her on her appointment.

PARENT / TEACHER DISCUSSIONS

Our teachers have commented on how valuable yesterday’s discussions were, with a few more to come. The time taken for this type of dialogue makes the team, consisting teachers, parents and children very strong. When we’re all on the same page the job becomes very successful. Thank you for making the time for this important part of our continual communications.

UNIFORMS

Most of our students look great in their full school uniforms. The staff also look great and have embraced our corporate style uniform. Please remember that our policy guidelines, endorsed by our P & C, states that black polishable leather shoes are to be worn from Monday to Thursday. On Fridays our students may wear coloured sports shoes appropriate for sports activities.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 20 February Yellow Day
Wed 25 February LNC Swimming Carnival
Friday 27 March Blue Day
Tuesday 3 March P & C Meeting
Thursday 12 March Official School Opening
Friday 13 March Orange Day
Thursday 2 April Easter Hat Parade, (Last day of term) Performance and morning tea.

Easter Raffle – Drawn 2nd April 2015
Donations of Easter eggs to make up some fabulous prizes would be greatly appreciated.

Students return for Term 2 on 21 April 2015
SCHOOL CAPTAINS AND LEADERS

We heard well prepared and delivered 'Captains' speeches this week and the voting process will be concluded very soon. We will announce our 2015 Captains and Leaders at next weeks K-6 Assembly on Friday at 11.15am.

The team meets weekly and consists of the following members:

Jock Garven - Principal and Team Leader
Jane Egan - Learning and Support Teacher
Robin Crees - School Counsellor
Trish Gray, Katy Haste, Kelly Jesser & Hayley McCleary - Classroom Teachers
Kim McNiff & Ros Sewell - School Learning Support Officers

All of the students at Lake Cathie Public School will benefit from the discussions and planning by the Learning Support Team. A good flow of information between all staff is vital for the individual success of our students. All information about students is treated in a confidential and professional manner.

This team has significant relationships with external agencies including our Pre-Schools, Community Health, Early Intervention, Paediatricians, Occupational Therapists, and Speech Therapists etc.

SKOOLBAG APP

We are already receiving student absence notes from parents via our Skoolbag app. It is working well so far.

Jock Garven
Principal

LAKE CATHIE PUBLIC SCHOOL OFFICIAL OPENING

Our School will be officially opened on Thursday 12 March. The ceremony will start at 10.00am and take about 45 minutes. Our students will lead the ceremony and provide some great items for the entertainment of the audience.

The whole Lake Cathie Public School community is invited and further details will be provided in the coming weeks.

Our fabulous P & C will be organising the morning tea and if you can help by supplying a tasty morning tea treat or help on the day to get things ready, please let Kylee Hughes know in the office. We would appreciate your call. A BBQ will also be running on the day.

LAKE CATHIE PUBLIC SCHOOL OFFICIAL OPENING

WINTER UNIFORM OPTIONS

The Uniform Committee has ordered a full size range (4-16) of the winter options for both boys and girls.

The boys’ trouser option is the same sizing as the summer shorts.

The girls’ spandex / cotton pants will soon be available to try on for sizing

There will be an Optional tracksuit pant to match the school jacket that can be worn on sport days.

We will notify parents when these arrive for trying on.

Prices for the boys’ trousers and girls stretch leg trousers are $24.00 each. After receiving the tracksuit pants and checking its quality, we will notify you of the price.

Susie Storm - Uniform Coordinator

LEARNING AND SUPPORT TEAM

Lake Cathie Public School has a strong Learning and Support Team that plans, communicates and implements learning adjustments for many of our students.
LAKE CATHIE PUBLIC SCHOOL INAUGURAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

What a great day! Children who competed did so with enthusiasm and skill. The Novelty events were fun with lots of laughter. A special thank you to all the parents, grandparents, siblings and friends who came along to support the day. Thank you to Brooke Instrell, Jaivan Brown, Joshua Ray, Connor Short and Debra Tougher for helping out with timekeeping it was really appreciated.

2015 Inaugural Swimming Champions

| Junior Boy     | Kingsley Brown |
| Junior Girl    | Faith Brown   |
| 11Yr Boy       | Jordan Thorne |
| 11Yr Girl      | Georgia Hodges|
| 12/13Yr Boy    | Sam Tougher Wells |
| 12/13Yr Girl   | Phoebe Harrison |

The first ever winning SPORT HOUSE was the team with the teacher with the best pom-pom streamers and hat ..... Miss Jesser’s Red House. Congratulations RED!

HASTINGS / CAMDEN HAVEN DISTRICT PSSA SWIMMING CARNIVAL

We had 12 representatives at the District Swimming Carnival and they all performed extremely well. With our school flag flying high Lake Cathie PS children were well behaved and supported their fellow team mates with loud cheers. The team included Sam Tougher Wells, Kingsley Brown, Takoda Pemberton, Lachlan Ulph, Kaden Marshall, Mahali Pemberton, Faith Brown, Isabelle Leiper, Phoebe Harrison, Jemma Joyce, Georgia Hodges and Brooke Instrell. Kingsley Brown has progressed to the Lower North Coast Swimming Carnival by coming 4th in the 10 Yr Boys 50m Freestyle and 3rd in the Jnr Boys Butterfly. Congratulations Kingsley and good luck next week at Kempsey.

Mrs McCleary – Sports Coordinator 😊
RED DAY

Last Friday KG and K / 1 H took part in a number of activities relating to our RED DAY!

The children came to school dressed in an array of red. We had shorts, shirts, dresses, singlets and even tutus.

The activities that the children were involved in:

- Making jelly - following the directions on the packet and discussing how to be safe when working with boiling water. We added red frogs and red raspberry lollies just to make it sweeter.
- Outdoor games - tossing red bean bags into red hoops and playing circle games.
- Red Playdough - making models of things that are red and making shapes and letters.
- Water play - playing with red water in the water trough. Measuring, pouring, floating and sinking.
- Red binoculars - children made cardboard binoculars and went on an adventure outside exploring the playground and looking at the world through red lenses.
- Treasure Hunt worksheet - children coloured the items that are red and labelled them appropriately.
- Valentines card - children made a card for their Valentine and wrote a message to someone that they love. Lots of mums and dads were very popular!

A huge thank you to our parents and grandparents that came to help with the activities and we look forward to dressing up for YELLOW DAY this Friday 20th February and doing it all again.
Newsletter Electronic Copy

I / we would like to receive the school newsletter electronically by email.

Name: ______________________________________

Child’s Name: ________________________________    Child’s Class: ________________

Preferred email address: _____________________________________________________

School Canteen Helpers

Name: ______________________________________

Child’s Name: ________________________________    Child’s Class: ________________

Preferred day: Please tick one or both

☐ Thursday  ☐ Friday

Phone: ____________________

P & C Fundraising for our school

Please help us with some feedback and let us know if you are able to help fundraise for equipment for our school. Please fill in / tick as applicable.

Name: ______________________________________

Contact number: ______________________________________

☐ I would like to help fundraise for the school as a helper on P & C activities

☐ I would like to make a donation to the school of $ ____________________

☐ I own a business that can donate or donate a service or product for a raffle prize

☐ I would like to suggest the following ideas for fundraising for our school:

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Aussie Five Fair Rules

Lake Cathie Public School use a positive behaviour system called the Aussie Five Fair Rules. It is a system based on the premise of explicitly teaching positive and acceptable behaviour through visual and orally reinforced strategies.

All of the five positive rules are supported by posters and songs, allowing teachers a simple and clear message to teach the children about positive and acceptable behaviour. Teachers use these fair rules as a language that children understand and develop over time. Right from Kindergarten, our students will learn the messages from the Five Fair Rules program to enable them to stay in control and where appropriate, learn from their mistakes in a positive and comfortable peer situation.

The first of the Five Fair Rules we have chosen to teach is: "I can raise my hand and wait." You may even hear the children singing the songs they have learnt.

3. I can raise my hand and wait.
Minkey / Modified Hockey

Info for parents on Association Run Full-Participation Program – for Ages 4 to 7 years

- Co-ordinated as one large age group with a head coach and organiser
  - Will be separated in small groups of similar size and ability
  - Fun games, learn the skills and full involvement for all
  - Lots of Coaches, helpers – opportunity for parents to also join in & help

If you or your kid/s are unsure and want a free no obligation try, you are invited to bring them along to any one of the sessions below:

Come Try Hockey

When: Saturday – March 14, 21 or 28 – 9am-10am
Free – All equipment supplied

Where: Hockey Complex, Ocean Drive (entrance via Hockey Place)

Why Hockey:
Same Ground – Same Time Every Week – All Weather Sport
Controlled Association Program – learn all the skills
Great for hand-eye Coordination
Free Stick Pack for all New Players, including:
Stick, Bag, Shin Pads, Mouth Guard, Ball & Uniform
One of the fastest growing and safest sports for kids
Full participation, meet new friends and have lots of FUN!!

For More Information – 0423609720
Email any questions to: Derek.Arnberger@optus.net.au

CAMDEN HAVEN
REDBACKS FOOTBALL CLUB
Register online now at www.myfootballclub.com.au
Registration days are at the Sports Bar of the LUSC on Saturday 14 and 21 February from 10am – 2pm.

FREE Junior Coaching Clinics being held 23-26 February, email us for information or to register.

All enquiries to redbacksfc@outlook.com.

If you would like to advertise in our newsletter please contact Kylee in the office on 6584 8060 if interested.
Only 8 spots available.
Lake Cathie MILO in2CRICKET

5 – 12 Year Olds

Registration and Program Details –

Program continues on Wednesday’s from 4:30pm
Lake Cathie Public School (under the COLA)
4:30pm to 5:30pm

Contact: Scott Moulds on 0427 261 992

scott@3dspecialists.com.au