Diary dates:

Week 2
- Mon 12/10
- Tue 13/10
- Wed 14/10
- Thu 15/10: Canteen lunch orders due in by 9.30am
- Fri 16/10: Canteen lunches served (pre-ordered only)

Week 3
- Mon 19/10
- Tue 20/10
- Wed 21/10: Mrs Tate @ L3 training from 12.30pm
- Thu 22/10: Grandparents Day 2-3pm
- Fri 23/10: Canteen lunches served (pre-ordered only)

Regular P&C days:
- Tuesdays: 3-3.30pm Uniform shop
- Thursdays: Lunch orders by 9.30am
- Fridays: Canteen lunches served (pre-ordered only)

Awards will be presented at tomorrow’s assembly, 3pm

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD: Josh Weir for always being a great Peer Support leader
CAPA: Avril
CITIZENSHIP: Georgia
ENVIRONMENT: Emillee
SPORT: Lian F
GOOD FRIEND: Luke C chosen by: Mr Duroux

Congratulations to the following students who are awarded a Blue Award after receiving 10 Yellow awards in their class.

BLUE AWARDS for Weeks 1 & 2: Ayla, Jasmine T

ACADEMIC
- K-1: Hayden J for excellent recall of events in 'The Wizard of Oz'
- 2-3: Willow for his positive engagement in all guided reading activities
- Y4: Jaden for his isometric dot cubes
- 5-6: Rani for great effort in writing

GO FOR IT
- K-1: Ivy R for developing clear explanations about 3 digit numbers
- 2-3: Ashlee for her understanding of a 'quarter to' & 'quarter past' the hour, using digital time
- Y4: Josie for her complex black and white line art
- Charlie for entertaining the class with her group’s Procedure
- Luke C for the biggest hit and the highest score in continuous cricket
- 5-6: Jemelia for excellent work in art

THINKING SKILLS
- K-1: Baylie E for contributing thoughtful ideas during friendship activities
- 2-3: Wendell for his contributions to a group discussion on healthy lifestyles
- Y4: Avril for identifying the key words in maths problems
- 5-6: Luke S for creative thinking in maths and computers

LIBRARY
- K-1 Tanisha
- 2-3 Nat
- Y4 Jaden
- 5-6 Indi & Rani

NSWPSA Athletics
Jessica is currently in Sydney competing at the NSW State Track and Field Championships. She is competing in the long jump. Discuss and shot put events. We wish her all the best. Well done Jess and Good Luck!

Staffing
Mrs McInnes is taking some well-earned Long Service Leave starting today for three weeks. Mrs Liz Kelly will be replacing Mrs McInnes during this time.
Uniforms and Hats
All families and students are asked to wear the school uniform to school. Shirts should either be the ‘Turtle’ Blakebrook shirt or a plain yellow shirt with no logo. Navy shorts, skirts or skorts are also the preferred option. Sensible shoes should be worn - no sandles, thongs, gumboots or high heels. A sun safe hat must be brought to school each day. We have a ‘No hat play in the shade’ policy but hats are required for students to participate in Physical Education (PE) lessons. I understand that sometimes uniforms are in the wash or are not dry but I thank you for your intended cooperation with this matter.

Grandparents Day
Our school will host a day for Grandparents on Thursday 22nd October starting at 2pm. This will entail an afternoon tea, the whole school singing a couple of songs and informal interactions with staff and students. Families are asked to provide a plate of goodies to assist with the afternoon tea. Please spread the word - it is always very exciting to have many friends and families visit our school.

Tell Them From Me Surveys
Last term you were invited to participate in a survey to gain your thoughts about certain aspects of the school. The window for this has been extended. You can now access the survey in your own time until Friday 23 October. I encourage you all to have a say if you wish.
Follow the link below on your computer or tablet:
1. Log in – www.tellthemfromme.com
2. Your School's Parent Username: parent17775
3. Your School's Parent Password: Bla1254

School Swimming Scheme
This program will run during weeks 6 and 7 of this term. It is expected that all students in years 2 and 3 attend regardless of swimming skill or experience. All levels are catered for at the pool by the qualified instructors. Year 4 students have also been invited to attend. An expression of interest note was sent out last week and was due back at school this week. This is an invaluable program that not only teaches students how to swim but also how to rescue themselves or others if they are in danger in or near waterways. The cost is far cheaper than pursuing private lessons outside of school. Please ensure notes and money are returned promptly.

P&C Meeting
The next general meeting of our P&C is on Tuesday 27 October (Week 4) at 5:30pm in the library. Meetings generally last about 1 hour. I encourage all families to come along to ask questions or to have a say in the school's running. Children are welcome to attend provided they are quiet and do not disrupt the meeting. Games and books are available to keep them occupied.

Bus Zone Parking
Each school morning and afternoon the front of our school becomes a mini-Bus Transit Centre with numerous buses arriving to drop off and collect students from numerous schools. Parents and visitors are reminded not to park in the Bus Zone at the front of the school during the following times: Morning 8:15 - 8:45am. Afternoon 3:45 – 4:15pm.
Bus companies and drivers advise us that the Police will be patrolling these areas and issuing infringement notices.

2016 Kindy Enrolments
We are currently taking in zone enrolments for 2016 Kindergarten. If you know of a family with a child ready for ‘Big’ school, encourage them to contact the school for an appointment to discuss enrolment or to have a look at our wonderful school.

School Assembly
The weekly assembly and awards recommence this week.

2-3 Class News with Lois Skorjenk
A reminder to students that they will be presenting an oral description of a character from a film or television show to their peers during their class news time. A note will go home today explaining in detail what is expected. Thank you to parents for helping their child be prepared for the explanation task. If you have any problems please speak directly to Mrs Skorjenko.

GENERAL NEWS
Grandparents Day - reminder
Next Thursday 22 October from 2-3pm we will be having a mini concert and afternoon tea to celebrate Grandparents Day. We are asking all families to supply a plate of food = biscuits /cake / slice etc. (No chips or lollies)
- NO NUTS in products please, if possible
- Ingredients listed - due to allergies & intolerences
- Items pre-cut into serving sizes
Halloween
Halloween will be celebrated on Friday 30 October at Blakebrook (Week 4) 11.30am - 3.30pm. There will be a one off cost which will include coming out of uniform, BBQ lunch/drink and activities. The event will be the final fundraiser organised by the 'Vietnam girls'. Students can come to school dressed in their Halloween costumes/outfits. There will be NO assembly on this day, double awards will be presented in Week 5.

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Thursday 15th October 2015 – Week 2 Term 4

CANTEEN
Canteen will commence NEXT WEEK roster is below if you are able to assist please sms Ali 0420 946407 or Betty 0427 216802 ASAP to ensure canteen runs for the full term.

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FUNDRAISING
Greyhound Night will be held Tuesday 3rd November, 2015 at Coleman’s Point Lismore. Tickets will be available shortly. Any businesses willing to sponsor a race on the night $120 for the main race and $60 for each other race.

Shopping Bus Trip has been booked for Saturday 14th November, 2015. We are commencing collecting names and money now. The costs will be $30 per person and we are looking at heading to Robina Town Centre. There are only two pick up points Blakebrook Public School 7.30am and St Carthages Cathedral, Leycester Street, Lismore 7.45am returning to the Cathedral approx 5.30pm and Blakebrook 5.45pm. Remember to bring boxes or bags for your shopping so it doesn’t slide around under the bus.

Money raised will support our representative students and purchase equipment for the playground.

Name: ________________________________________ Contact Number: _________________

Number of Seats required: __________________________ Pick up point: ___________________________

P&C QUERIES - please contact Betty to assist on 0415 394354 not Wendy in the office thank you!

Next P&C meeting Tuesday 27th October, 2015 – Week 4, Term 4

Betty McPaul on behalf of the P and C Committee Mobile 0415 394354
We are commencing our Peer Support lessons this week. The whole school participates in Peer Support for 30 minutes each week. Two Peer leaders facilitate a small group of 8-10 younger students, who work together through a number of structured activities. Each teacher will supervise 2-3 groups in their classroom. We are working on a module called Keeping Friends helping us explore the concept of friendship, build relationships and develop skills in empathy and critical thinking. The module runs for 8 sessions. Our first session enables the children to get to know everyone in their group, agreeing on how they will work together and interact cooperatively with others. They will also begin to think about the meaning of friendship. We encourage you to talk to your children about Peer Support every week as it will help to reinforce the concepts learned in each session.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Aikido for Kids!

Wednesday & Friday 4:30 – 5:30pm
Two places left for term four!

Aikido is a non-aggressive and dynamic martial art. It is renowned for its peaceful approach to conflict resolution, emphasizing staying calm and relaxed at all times. Students learn to direct the energy of their partner towards a safe outcome for both parties. It is great for building self-confidence without building aggression.

Inner Light Centre
131 Keen st, Lismore
0448 364 850

Ages 7 to 11 welcome

The Instructor, Ken Wakeman, has been practicing aikido for over 20 years. Term begins Wednesday 7/10

Great celebrations: Fuel them up with the right kind of energy!

- Grate carrot & other vegies into lean mince for healthier sausage rolls or burgers.
- Try delicious kebabs made with lean meat, chicken or pork pieces and lots of vegies.
- Simple cheesy vegie muffins packed full of favourite vegies and reduced-fat cheese. Kids love the combination of flavour and colour of corn, capsicum & grated zucchini.
- How about sandwich sushi made with popular vegie fillings? Just cut crusts from wholegrain bread, spread thinly with low-fat cream cheese, add colourful vegie fillings, roll & slice into 2 or 3 pieces.
- Mini pizzas of half a wholemeal muffin topped with a range of fresh chopped veg, a little ham, tomato sauce and some grated reduced-fat cheese, place under grill for 5 minutes.