The Bulletin is sent via email to parent/carer email addresses on file, as well as published on our website. Paper copies are available on request.

Diary dates:

Week 5
Thu 5/11 Deadline for payment & permission note for Intensive Swimming Scheme
Fri 6/11 Double awards assembly 3pm

Week 6
Mon 9/11 Swimming school starts
Tue 10/11
Wed 11/11 Remembrance Day assembly 11am
Thu 12/11
Fri 13/11

Week 7
Mon 16/11 Wendy away
Tue 17/11
Wed 18/11 2nd Kinder 2016 Orientation 9.30-11.30am
Thu 19/11
Fri 20/11

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

Double awards at assembly this week, Friday 3pm (Weeks 4 & 5)

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD: Beth for being a great leader in Peer Support Saphire for excellent behaviour
CAPA: Angela & Sharmeeka CITIZENSHIP: Ashlee & Rani ENVIRONMENT: Kaitlin & Ryan
SPORT: Sam & Sidney GOOD FRIEND: Elijah chosen by: Jaden
BLUE AWARDS: Dante & Joss Congratulations to these students who are awarded a Blue Award after receiving 10 Yellow awards in their class.

ACADEMIC
K-1 Huxley for writing a great spell to turn Mrs T into a princess!!
2-3 Georgia for her dramatic oral descriptive recount
Y4 Banjo for his persistence in learning long multiplication
5-6 Indi for excellent work in all areas

GO FOR IT
K-1 Dean for sensible behaviour during the national anthem
2-3 Brayden S for applying himself to 4 figure addition trading algorithms
Y4 Deana for being a good team member in continuous cricket
5-6 Blake for creative work in film making

THINKING SKILLS
K-1 Amber L for speaking kindly to others
2-3 Simon for sensible responses when learning about taking & storing medicine
Y4 Jessica & Jasmine T for showing cross-sections in maths
5-6 Tiamikia for creative work in film making

LIBRARY
K-1 Sapphire & Melanie 2-3 Ryan & Rorie Y4 Deana & Ivy P-W 5-6 Indi & Sam

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT with Allan Duroux

BBQ Area
The BBQ area near the canteen has recently been concreted underneath with a ramp leading to the canteen. I would publically like to thank Adam Essery and his family for making this happen. It will provide a weather proof area with no mud for our P&C members and students to use for activities and functions. On behalf of Blakebrook PS, Thank you Adam. Special thanks also must go to the P&C for contributing funds to pay for this refurbishment.
P&C Greyhound Fundraiser
The P&C held a fundraiser at the Lismore Greyhound track on Tuesday night. Despite the storm, there was a good turnout of people who had an enjoyable night. On behalf of the school I would like to thank the sponsors of our races and the raffle prizes. Your support of Blakebrook PS is truly appreciated. Thanks also to Betty McPaul and her P&C committee for their organisation of the event.

School Swimming Scheme
This program commences next week and will run for 10 school days for students in years 2, 3 and some year 4 students. All levels are catered for at the pool by the qualified instructors. Thank you to the families who have returned the expression of interest note and payments. 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 you send the required items each day for your child to participate.

2016 Kinder Orientation
The Kinder Orientation program commences in week 7. Our new students will experience ‘BIG’ school as they prepare to transition to Blakebrook Public School.
This program is running differently from previous years. All three days will be held in the one week.
Monday 16 November - 9:30 – 11:30am with a parent information session at 11am.
Wednesday 18 November - 9:30 – 11:30am
Friday 20 November - 9:30-3:30pm (whole day)
➢ New Kinder's to bring a packed lunch, recess, water bottle & hat on the Friday
Please pass this information to any parents who may be deciding on which school to send their child to next year. Enquiries can be made by contacting the office or to arrange an interview.

Remembrance Day Assembly
Next Wednesday, the 11th of November, our school will hold a Remembrance Day Assembly. This special event will be led by our year 6 students. This is our chance to remember the soldiers who fought for our country, the soldiers who gave their lives for our country and the families who were left behind. Thank you to Year 6 and Mrs Perren for coordinating this special assembly.

High School Orientation visits for Year 7 in 2016
The Rivers Secondary College including the three campuses; Richmond River HS, Lismore HS and Kadina HS will hold two orientation days for our year 6 students transitioning to High School in 2016. These dates are Thursday 26th November and Thursday 3rd December 2015. These are full days and families must organise how students will travel to and from the High School on both days. These promise to be action packed days and will provide students with an opportunity to become familiar with the school, staff and general routines.

Student items brought to school
A reminder that any item a student brings to school they do so at their own risk as it may get lost or broken. Some children are coming to school with numerous toys etc so we request that it be limited to ONE item only.
Ipods, MP3s, Iphones, DS etc are to be placed in the “Office Box” container each morning for safe keeping. The item can be collected at the end of the day. It is recommended that expensive items be left at home.

Weekly Assembly
The weekly assembly and awards resumes this week. Week 4 and 5 awards will be presented the assembly. Parents and friends are invited to attend. Assembly commences at 3pm

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.

PEER SUPPORT at BLAKEBROOK PS - Week 5 update
This week in the Peer Support session, children will be focussing on the importance of support networks and the role that friends play in each other's lives. Children construct a visual representation of this during the session.
Encourage your children to identify friends who can provide support to them if the need arises.

BPS 2015 Year 6 Obstacle Cup Results with Mrs Perren
Congratulations to all the Year 6 jockeys and their horses that all competed and survived the 2015 Cup! In very hot and humid conditions the riders ate and ran their best around the course (twice) except poor Hayden who mistakenly did 3 laps. Captain Jack Spink and his fine cotton looking steed, Black Pearl, led the field from start to finish.
He was closely followed by the colourful rainbow warrior Josh Weir, riding Rainbow Unicorn. A sparkling Erica Higgins came a very credible third on Twinkle Toes. A big thank you to our SCU prac teachers, who bravely volunteered as the Mystery riders for the event. Thanks to the students and staff for cheering on our riders and supporting the fun Year 6 fundraiser. Mrs Perren is already plotting & planning for next year’s race.

GENERAL NEWS

Year 6-7 Transition
The Rivers Secondary College campuses are holding their Transition 6-7 over two days for students starting Year 7 in 2016: Thursday 26 November and Thursday 3 December. All three campuses have the same start time of 9am and finish time of 3.15pm - Lismore High Campus, Kadina High Campus and Richmond River High Campus.

All current Year 6 students have received a flyer today, plus it has been uploaded to our school website.

Kinder Orientation at Blakebrook PS
2016 Kinders need to have their Enrolment Form, Birth Certificate & Immunisation Status to school by Wednesday 18th November.
Please hand to Wendy in the Office.
**DVD For Sale**

The DVD of our school production *Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies* is now ready for sale at a cost of $2.

Mrs Skorjenko has worked long and hard to make this available and stresses that the DVD would be best viewed on a computer, due to the sound inconsistencies. At this stage we have only 3 DVD’s remaining however additional copies can be made on request. Deadline for copies is **Friday 13th** November. Look out for ghoul school!!

**Stars on the local news**

On Tuesday Lucy and a cameraman from Prime 7 News Lismore came and recorded a little news item about the SS Soccer stars. It was aired on Tuesday evening. If you missed it you can search on the Prime 7 website for it - https://au.prime7.yahoo.com/...../small-school-wins-big

**2-3 Class News with Lois Skorjenko**

Due to the Intensive Swimming Scheme in Weeks 6 & 7 there will be no spelling or homework set. There will be a homework grid covering the fortnight both Years 2 & 3.

**Halloween at BPS photos**
Blakebrook Public School P & C Newsletter
Thursday 29th October 2015 – Week 4 Term 4

CANTEEN
Canteen has commenced again if you are able to assist please sms Ali 0420 946407

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FUNDRAISING
Greyhound Night will be held Tuesday 3rd November, 2015 at Colemans Point Lismore. Tickets are available now. Are available in the office now for $5 each. Please purchase before the night. Thank you to all our sponsors for the night please ensure you have your payment with you on Tuesday if not before.

DATE CHANGE IN BUS TRIP
Shopping Bus Trip is NOW Saturday 5th December, 2015. 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: ___________________________

Masters BBQ is on Sunday 6th December, 2015. Volunteers needed for the day please contact Betty with your availability!

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

Next P&C meeting Tuesday 24th November, 2015 – Week 8, Term 4
COMMUNITY NEWS

Still desperately seeking a local rental property
Preference for a rental close to Jiggi Road area,
but will consider anywhere in the local area of
Pinchin Road, Blakebrook, Boorie Creek, Goolmangar, Jiggi,
Keerrong, Leycester, Rock Valley, etc.
Working mum, non-smoker, one child, clean & tidy, good references
Phone Bobbie on 0421 786 216

...and the winner is....

We have drawn the winners of the ‘shredded book’ competition
which has been running on the Mobile Library.
The book that we ‘shredded’ was ‘Emu’ by Claire Saxby and Graham Byrne.
Congratulations goes to:
Alice Woods - Bangalow Public School
Padi Hansen-Lo - Modanville Public School
Amelia Newcombe - Pottsville Beach Public School
Thankyou to everyone who participated in our competition.
The winners may collect their book prize from the Mobile Library.

Richmond Tweed
Regional Library

Brea, Eden, Megan & Sophie would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU!
to the students, staff, P&C & the Blakebrook Community who have
supported their fundraising efforts throughout the year.

Through your generous support, the girls and will be able to fund and work with their peer
travel group to provide fresh drinking water and much needed teaching resources to a
community in Vietnam. All proceeds made from the Halloween day ($344) will be donated by
the girls towards the Vietnam community project.

We couldn’t have done it without you!

Thank You!
Blakebrook PS is:

- Listening to instructions
- Letting others play
- Sitting quietly
- Taking turns
- Putting bags in lines