**Terania District Athletics Friday 24th July** Our Terania District will have its annual combined athletics carnival at Riverview Park, South Lismore in Week 2. (Terania comprises seven local schools: Blakebrook, Caniaba, Coffee Camp, Goolmangar, Jiggi, Larnook & Nimbin). Travel to and from the event is by private transport, teachers will meet students at the park. We expect K-6 students to be there by 8.30am and the day usually finishes at 2.30pm. A permission note was sent home on Tuesday, on yellow paper – deadline is next Monday, 20 July.

**Life Education** Every second year the Life Education program is hosted at Blakebrook PS. This year students K-6 will visit the van in Week 3, Term 3. Students will take part in an exceptional awareness program focused on building personal resilience, skill development around a healthy lifestyle and for the older students, the impact of peer pressure. Each student will receive a linked curriculum booklet which will be the foundation of the School's personal development program. The cost for the van & booklet is $10.00 per student, this may seem expensive but the value is in the learning outcomes achieved. All students are required to have visited the van to receive the booklet as part of our PD curriculum. Due to copy write laws no booklet can be copied. If the $10 is not paid then students will have no choice but to hand write the entire booklet. A permission note was sent home yesterday on mauve coloured paper - deadline is next Monday, 20/7/15.

**Writers’ Festival school event Y3-6** On Tuesday 4 August 2015 Years 3-6 are invited to the Byron Bay Writers’ Festival Primary School event (BBWF) at Lismore City Hall. Featured writers are Jackie French, Jacqueline Harvey, Andy Griffiths &Terry Denton. The event starts at 9.30am so the bus will leave Blakebrook PS at 9.10am sharp. We are limited to 50 seats so 'first in, first served'. The cost is $10 per student which covers festival entry and bus fare. A permission note went home today on pink paper. Deadline for notes & money is Tuesday 28/7/15 (T3W3).
Welcome back
Welcome back to another exciting term at Blakebrook Public School. I trust you have all had an enjoyable and restful break. This term is full of exciting events including Athletics carnivals, Life Education Van visit, and the Byron Writers Festival excursion.

Thank you
I am back at work this week after an extended period of illness. Whilst not completely out of the woods, I’m certainly enjoying my time back. I would like to thank all the “Well Wishes” from the students, staff and families. I would like to thank Louise Tate for relieving as Principal during this time. Also, a special thanks to Megan Curran for teaching the 5-6 class in my absence. Both ladies did a fantastic job and their efforts are truly appreciated.

School Musical
This year our school will be putting on a major musical production. Mrs Tate has been busy coordinating auditions and preparing for this event. All students will be involved in some way. Students have been given a note regarding costume requirements and I encourage parents to assist in getting this prepared as soon as possible. It is very important that students with ‘lines’ practice these regularly to memorise their parts. It promises to be a great couple of nights. Watch this space for information regarding tickets etc.

Bonfire Night
A belated thank you to everyone involved in the Blakebrook Bonfire night last term. It was a fantastic community event with hundreds of people in attendance. Well done to all who contributed and braved the cold and rainy conditions.

Terania District Athletics Carnival
On Friday 24th July our school moves to Riverview Park, South Lismore for the Terania District Athletics Carnival. All students are expected to attend and compete in events or activities. Transport is by private car – there will not be a bus provided due to the early starting time. A permission note was sent home with students on Tuesday with more details. Good luck to all our students.

Terania District High Jump and Shot Put
Our school hosted these two events today. The top two students from Nimbin, Coffee Camp, Goolmangar, Jiggi, Larnook, Caniaba and Blakebrook in each age group per event competed against each other to determine the winners and qualifiers to the Northern Rivers Zone Athletics Championships to be held later in the term.

Soccer Knockout
The all-conquering school soccer team will play their next match against Barrington PS (A school west of Taree) on Friday 21 August in Coffs Harbour. We will train hard in preparation. Further information will be sent home once details are known. If the team wins this game they will travel to Sydney during the last week of this term to contest the State finals for the third consecutive year.

LIBRARY NEWS with Mrs McInnes

Book Fair
Our annual Book Fair will run next term in Weeks 3 & 4. Keep in mind that you can buy the books as gifts and purchasing is optional. Next week I will provide detailed information on how the Book Fair will run and the operating hours.

GENERAL NEWS

2-3 Homework
Homework will be going home to those parents who requested it last term. If you would like your child to have some homework this term, please send Mrs Skorjenko a note.

Looking for Music Stands
Does anyone have music stand(s) they would be prepared to loan the school for the percussion element of our school musical on Monday 17/8/15 & Tuesday 18/8/15? The teachers will take responsibility for the safe keeping of the stands. We are looking for a total of nine stands. If you can assist please talk to Mrs Skorjenko or Wendy.
Kinder 2016 enrolments
For anyone wanting to enrol their child in Kinder 2016 please contact the school ASAP. Term 3 is the term for parent interviews with our Principal.

We would like to know of all enrolments by the end of Term 18/9/15.

From Wednesday 15 July until Tuesday 8 September 2015 the Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion is on!

For every $10 spent at Woolworth one Earn&Learn sticker point will be issued.

We have a collection box at school as well as a marked box outside Woolworths at Lismore Central.

Stickers can be placed on a sticker sheet available from the cashier or you can download from woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

- Alternatively you can place the stickers straight in our collection box(es).
FUNDRAISING

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Will be held on the 14th August, 2015 those people available to help over any period of the day could you please let Betty 0451 394354 or Alana 0427 244318 know so we commence putting the roster together.

BUNNING’S BBQ
Blakebrook Public School P&C have been given a date for the Bunning’s BBQ Saturday 5th September, 2015 ANYONE who is available to volunteer for the day please let Betty 0415 394354 or Alana 0427 244318 know.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THIS TERM
- Please SMS your request to Alana as soon as practical on SMS 0427 224318, just suggest your preferences for either Friday morning 9.30-1pm.
- Your continued support of the canteen is appreciated.

A huge thank you to our wonderful volunteers for Term 1 & 2 your assistance is greatly appreciated.

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Any enquiries regarding canteen please contact Alana on SMS 0427 244318

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

Next meeting week 4 - Tuesday 4th August, 2015 at 5.30pm BPS Library Room

If you wish an item to be tabled for discussion at the P&C meeting and you are not able to attend you must submit your thoughts in writing 5 days prior to the P&C meeting.

Betty McPaul on behalf of the P and C Committee Mobile 0415 394354
Basketball Australia along with Lismore Basketball will be introducing a new Aussie Hoops Program commencing in Term 3 on Tuesday Afternoons. This will be a structured program aimed at developing players at a grassroots level for ages 5 to 12 year olds. Being involved with Aussie Hoops your child(ren) will participate in warm up games, skill activities, modified games and most of all have fun whilst learning the basic skills required for basketball.

To register for Aussie Hoops program go to: https://reg.sportingpulse.com/v6/MapFinder/mapfinder.cgi?r=13&s=40&type=3&aID=15515&search_value=2480&stt=pc

CLICK ON LISMORE BASKETBALL STADIUM AND FOLLOW PROCEDURES

For more information call Tanya on 0410777572
During School Terms: $25 per session

Venue: Ballina High School
Burnet Street, Ballina NSW 2478

Date: Sundays (19th July - 20th September 2015)

Times: 10:30am - 12:00pm

Age: 6-18 years

Skill Level: Beginners - Intermediate - Advanced

Head Coach: George Lazarou / Bradley Stone

Football Skills Program Sessions will include:
- First touch
- Ball Control
- Speed, Agility & Coordination
- Ball Mastery
- Passing and Receiving
- Small sided games

For more information or to register please visit our website www.ayfi.com.au
Phone: 1300 002 934 or Email: info@ayfi.com.au