FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES A GREAT SUCCESS!
Last Friday night was a wonderful community night for all ages. The hall was strewn with cushions, sleeping bags, pillows, blankets and chairs. Everyone enjoyed an array of delicious soups, toasties, cakes and sweet treats while watching a family movie. Thank you to Kylie, Christie and our community members who organised the event and to all our families who attended the evening.

BEAUTIFUL PRINTS FOR AUCTION.
A reminder that Steven Giese’s beautiful original prints are up for “silent” auction which finishes at 3pm on Thursday 29th May at 3pm. Simply ring in or email your bid to our school office. Reserves on all prints are $50. Prints can be viewed on our website or at our office.

KADINA HIGH SCHOOL SHOWCASED
Last Monday, Principals of local feeder primary schools were invited to an information evening at Kadina High School. After being entertained by some wonderful Year 7 musical entertainment, various staff painted a vivid and exciting picture of the many programs at Kadina High School. Principal Ian Davies and his staff have worked very hard to create a nurturing and engaging educational environment. The school caters for gifted and talented students with an “Endeavour” program and there is something for every student. An impressive gym with computerised equipment and state of the art hospitality kitchen, wood work and metal work rooms are another feature. Please ensure you take the opportunity to visit Kadina High School to get a clear picture of what the school has to offer your child.

STRONG FOCUS ON SPORT AND RELATIONSHIPS NEXT WEEK.
Next week our girls and boys soccer team will compete in a Gala day at Dunoon on Tuesday under the excellent coaching of Mr Priestley. Our girls’ netball team will play against Wollongbar Public School on Wednesday at 1:30pm at our school. We again need a referee for the game and hope someone can help us out. Year 5 and 6 students will engage in a free quality program on building resilience and better relationships with “Kids Connexions”. Mr Priestley will also be attending the North Coast Cross Country tomorrow as the First North Community of Schools representative. Good luck to our students competing at this level.

HAVE YOU SEEN OUR PUMPKIN YET?
Our school is entered in the Lismore Show School Giant Pumpkin Competition. Mr Sky and his little Year One and Two helpers are taking great care with our precious pumpkin which is getting larger by the day.
LUNCH TIME CHESS GAMES
Thank you to Isabella and Wil’s dad, Graeme, who came in on his day off to help coach our children in the game of chess. Children have been enjoying playing each other at lunchtimes. Next week we will choose our teams to compete in a tournament at Modanville.

Expectation for the Week: “ALWAYS DO YOUR BEST!”

Michelle Slee
Relieving Principal

Student Assembly
Our next assembly is on tomorrow, Friday 30 May at 2.15pm. Students from the 5/6 class will be performing an item for your enjoyment. All families are welcome to attend.

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at our assembly last week.

- Kinder: Django, Katerina, Keira and Peppa
- 1-2: Rohan, Obi and Hayden
- 3-4: Kenny, Mawgan and William H
- 5-6: Maddie M, Linden and Connor

Our Citizenship Award was presented to Kenny Walker.

Engaging and authentic learning
Today students will receive a note regarding our upcoming Questacon Science workshop for all ages. Clunes does it’s very best to provide quality hands on and critical thinking activities for our students. Student centred learning is a fun and challenging way to develop our children’s higher order thinking and curiosity. Please return notes and money by Friday 30 May 2014.

Mental maths strategies
We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here: www.bit.ly/JkiUsY

Kids Connexions
Students in Years 5 and 6 will be participating in Kidsconnexions, a school-based relationship program which is run by Interrelate. The program consists of two sessions of 90 minutes on Tuesday 27 May and Tuesday 3 June. There is no cost for the program.

Too Sick for School?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Canteen
Canteen is off to a great start this term with our fabulous new menu. All recess & lunch items are made by us & are full of healthy eating options. I’d like to say a special thanks to Kim Goodrick who came in last minute last week to help me when I had sick children. Also, a big thanks to Amanda & Bronwyn for their fabulous volunteering this week. As always if you have any spare time on a Tuesday let me know on 0413 134 457 or ms.emma.cronin@outlook.com

Can You Help?
Unfortunately, canteen will not be operating in terms 3 & 4 unless someone or several someone’s step up to take over the smooth running of canteen. I will be away until next year so I am not able to continue. However, I have all the
resources & information you will need to carry on (or you can use this opportunity to re-create canteen however suits you). It may seem daunting but it is quite straightforward & it is such a wonderful service for the staff & students at the school. All money made goes straight back into the school to benefit your children. Canteen can operate on any day that suits you. If anyone is interested, please feel free to contact me to discuss the options. Thanks, Emma

COOSH

The children enjoy a great deal of choice at COOSH, and our program always reflects their learning needs and interests. At the request of one of our littlest members, on Tuesday we transformed ourselves into 'knights and princesses'. Wearing glittery crowns and wielding newspaper swords, the children engaged in compelling dramatic play. It was amusing to observe that there weren't any 'damsels in distress' but rather a number of very empowered princesses willing to engage in serious 'battle'! We had some very reluctant royalty/ soldiers leaving that afternoon, wishing they could stay in their make believe world rather than go home to bath time and homework!

On Monday the children were given the opportunity to work collaboratively on a digitally created collage of images. They absolutely loved using technology to create in this way and everyone did a fantastic job. Included in this week’s newsletter is Bodhi’s, Mawgan’s and Mitchell’s soccer themed instacollage.

Kylie and the COOSH team

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All notes are available online on our website. From our Home Page click on the event under the heading Upcoming Events in the bottom right hand corner or, if it is not yet listed in the Upcoming Events list, go to the Calendar and click on the event via the date.

Uniform Shop

Uniform orders can be emailed to Sasha Murchison at any time throughout the term. She will organise for collection and payment at the school office. Sasha’s email address is smurcho@gmail.com