HAVE YOUR SAY!
This week the school is asking everyone in our school community to complete a survey. This information is an essential part of our data collection, reflecting on school practices, reviewing our achievements and areas for development while providing clear direction.

The P & C is also seeking your opinion on changes to the school uniform.

We have also tentatively booked a trip to Canberra and Sydney for our Year 4, 5 & 6 in November 2015. Although the itinerary provides an amazing educational experience, the cost is quite high and we need to know which of our students are interested in attending.

The University of Sydney has also requested that our school be part of a state-wide survey on physical education which will be sent to you in the near future.

While we know everyone’s time is precious, we value your input and hope that you will take the time to complete and return the surveys.

YEAR 3, 4, 5 & 6 CAMP INFORMATION EVENING
Parents and students are invited to attend an information session regarding our camp from the 1st September and 5th September. We will discuss any relevant information regarding the camp and answer any questions you may have. The session will be held on Monday 18th August at 5pm in the Year 5 & 6 room.

PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION
This week our students demonstrated their public speaking skills and all children participating should take pride in the way they have presented their speeches with growing confidence.

Finalists in each year will present their talks at our Clunes Public School competition on Tuesday 19th August. All finalists competing in the Clunes School competition will be notified on Friday. Family and friends are welcome to join us in the hall at 9:30am.

BOOK CHARACTERS FOR BOOK WEEK ON WEDNESDAY
Next week is book week and to celebrate we will be holding a Book Fair. Families can visit our book fair from Monday 18th August to Friday 22nd August. Students will also be able
to purchase books on Wednesday during their library lesson. Students are asked to dress in their favourite Book Character and donate a gold coin donation to raise money for Oxfam. Isabella and Abbey have researched the charity and provided the following information.

‘One person in three in the world lives in poverty. Oxfam is determined to change that world by mobilizing the power of people against poverty. Oxfam works directly with communities so that poor people can improve their lives and have a say in decisions that affect them. Examples of the aid Oxfam provides include vegetable seeds, medicines, education, tools and wells.’

We look forward to next Wednesday’s dress up day!
Michelle Slee

Expectation for Weeks 5 and 6
‘Consider those around you’

**Performing Arts Festival Update**
Thank you to all the parents who are keeping up with the many notes being sent home.
More notes are coming home -
- Consent notes for students in the dance, band and choir items regarding rehearsals are going home today and
- A note for the matinee performance on Thursday 28th August will go home early next week for students in years 1-6.

**COOSH News**
Major construction was underway again in the hall as yet another awesomely complex and intricate cubby house took shape. A few sheets, pillows, a couple of chairs, a table and there you have it! Obstacle courses were also painstakingly designed before the challenges began. We made friendship bracelets, played card games and our drop kicking skills were improved through a competition.
The children have all completed a survey designed to help us determine how to spend our hard earned car wash money. Suggestions from parents are also encouraged. Call us on 6629 1750 if you have any ideas!

**Student assembly**
Our next assembly is Friday 15th August starting at 2.15pm in the hall. The 5/6 class will be presenting an item for your enjoyment. All families are welcome to attend.

**Athletics Carnivals**
Good luck to all our competitors in tomorrow’s zone carnival at Riverview Park. Hopefully the weather does not hinder proceedings.
The following information was sent through regarding the Zone carnival tomorrow.

The Northern Rivers Zone Athletics Carnival is scheduled for this Friday (15th August 2014). The long term forecast is for some wet weather.
Please note that unless Lismore City Council closes the grounds, these championships will continue as planned.
Carnival organisers will determine any associated risks posed by the wet weather and make adjustments as necessary. For example: If it is too wet and unsafe for an event such as high jump, this event may be postponed until the following week.
Such announcements will be made at the carnival.
Event order may be altered on the day if required due to the weather. Students are encouraged to be at the grounds all day in case of program changes to ensure they do not miss events.
If in the event of Lismore City Council closing the grounds, Cancellation notices will be emailed to schools and announcements made on the following radio stations from approx. 7am on the morning of Friday 15th August. ZZZFM, 2LM, 2GF and local ABC. The back-up date for the whole carnival is Monday 18th August at this stage.

**Lake Ainsworth update**
Our camp excursion is now only a little over 2 weeks away!
- Parent information evening is Monday 18 August at 5pm.
- Payment needs to be finalised by Friday 22 August.
- Total cost for Year 3 is $165 plus $3 bus fare
- Total cost for Years 4-6 is $320 plus $6 bus fare.

**COOSH AGM**
You are invited to attend the COOSH AGM to be held this coming Monday 18 August at 6.30pm at 1 Bencluna Lane, Eureka.
We particularly invite COOSH parents to come along and have a say in how this very important service operates.
Please advise Joan on 0409 362 351 or joanie@the-end.com.au if you will be attending.

**Art vs Science**
There is a Riverside Festival on Sunday 24th August – Arts vs Science - with live music, fun, food, workshops – a day of exciting activities that will engage participants in the wonders of science and then push the boundaries of art.
Riverside Park from 10am to 4pm.
“Celebrating creativity, sustainability and environment”