General Messages

General News — On Display — Parent Notice Board (Outside Library)

WOMENS SOCCER PLAYERS NEEDED
For the past two years Mum’s from St Finbarrs have formed a womens soccer team for the Bangalow Summer 6’s and this year we need more players. A desire to have a go and have some fun is all thats needed!
If interested please contact Fran Taylor on 0411359775

Tutoring available in all aspects of English — spelling, reading, handwriting, text types, creative writing, public speaking. Tutoring also available in all strands of mathematics. Help with organisation particularly in relation to projects, and assertiveness training for children is also available. Lyn 0415419387

SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL
Holiday fun for the kids! 3-on-3 Tournament — Register your team or as an individual.
Wed/Thurs (1st & 2nd of Oct), morning skills/shooting clinics followed by an afternoon of games, 3 on 3 Tournament.
Ages 10-18yrs, enquiries: info@byronbasketball.com, or Ph: 66872246 a/h
Info + Registration forms: www.byronbasketball.com (under-Comming Events)

Byron Youth Service will be running a free school holiday craft workshop for young people in the Suffolk Park Hall on Saturday the 27th of September from 1 till 3pm.
All welcome, there will be a range or activities for all age groups, including beading, looming, t-shirt printing and much more.

Bravestyle sleepout
A Beach Sleep on the 10th of October 2014 at Main Beach Byron Bay. Raising much needed funds for the local homeless as well as depression and anxiety research. We need your support either come and sleep out Dob-in a mate to do it, or donate. Several on the school’s parents are already signed up to do it. Why not you? For more information go to bravestyle.org.au

The BEGINNING EXPERIENCE:
A personal encounter weekend for those who are grieving the loss of a spouse/partner through separation, divorce or death will be held from 17th— 19th October, 2014 at “Arabella Garden Inn Motel” in Woolgongbar. It offers participants the opportunity to turn the pain of loss into growth. Bookings are essential and applications close on 3rd October 2014.
For further details call Judy 66241549, Jan 6624 5175 or 0437 112031.
or visit our website: www.belismore.org.au for more information.

Principal’s Message
Dear Parents and Guardians,

Sunday’s Gospel
Luke 15:1-7
“Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.” Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.”

We have come to the conclusion of a very busy term and there is much to celebrate. Our students have been involved in high levels of learning, sporting events and cultural activities and have represented our school community wonderfully. Once again, thank you parents, for the time and effort you put into your children and the school. It is very much appreciated. When the school, parents and families work in partnership, the children’s learning and wellbeing is enhanced.
On behalf of our school Principal Mr Wilson and our staff we wish every family a relaxing and enjoyable break and look forward to seeing you again in Term 4.

First Holy Communion
First Holy Communion was celebrated on Sunday morning at St Kevin’s Catholic Church in Bangalow. This was a very special moment in the Sacramental life for the following students in our school, Thomas Chatterton, Jackson McCabe, Joseph Fullerton, Oli Wilson, Lavender Phillips, Angus Wilkie, Suri Phan, Monique Anderson, Luca Scionti, Olivia Keast, William Keast, Marco Millar, Caspian Tuckwell and Scarlett Steward-McInnes.

A very big thank you to Mrs Jones for her outstanding work in preparing our students for this wonderful celebration. I would also like to thank Mr O’Dwyer and Miss Hurley for the music, the beautiful choir for their singing and the wonderful chefs for providing the morning tea for the parish community to share. It was lovely to see the smiles on the faces of our children and their families as they shared this special moment together.

Proclaim Lismore Parents 2014 Gatherings
What will effective partnership between families and schools look like in the years ahead? The Catholic Schools Office, in partnership with parish schools, invites the co-operation of parents and caregivers in the exciting program of building a stronger parental partnership for the 21st century.
The first steps in building this stronger partnership are to listen to parents and enter into dialogue so that we can build common understanding around where we are at and where we want to be in time with partnership. In this commitment to listen to parents, the Catholic Schools Office currently is conducting a survey which all parents are invited to participate in. The next step in this process of listening and entering into dialogue will be the Proclaim Lismore Parent 2014 Gatherings which will be held from 5.45pm — 9.00pm including dinner in the following regions:

- 28 October Lismore
- 29 October Ballina
- 30 October Kingscliff

We know how busy you are, but it’s never been more important to put in the time and effort to foster open and honest communication with each other. So, please register your interest in attending these meetings — only 10 parents can represent each school. Registration closes 19 September 2014. To register go to: http://proclaimlismore.com.au/parent-proclaim gatherings-2014

With best wishes for the week ahead.
Regards,

Michael Piccoli
Acting Principal

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nurturing dancers inspiring dreams
DANCE LAB AU
www.dancelabaustralia.com

Term 3 16 September 2014 Week 10

Loving. Growing. Learning for Life
**Evangelisation News**

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“How in the world did you know that?” asked Plumb.

“I packed your parachute,” the man replied. Plumb gasped in surprise and gratitude. The man pumped his hand and said, “I guess it worked!” Plumb assured him, “I hate sure if your chute hadn’t worked, I wouldn’t be here today.”

Plumb couldn’t sleep that night, thinking about that man. Plumb says, “I kept wondering what he might have looked like in a Navy uniform: a white hat, a bib in the back, and bell-bottom trousers. I wonder how many times I might have seen him and not even said ‘Good morning, how are you?’ or anything because, you see, I was a fighter pilot and he was just a sailor.”

Plumb thought of the man hours the sailor had spent on a long wooden table in the bowels of the ship, carefully weaving the shrouds and folding the silks of each chute, holding in his hands each time the fate of someone he didn’t know.

These holidays, let us each take a moment to recognise and thank those who pack our parachutes.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday,
Kind regards,
Kate Jones
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**Important Dates**

**September**

17 DIO Gala Sports Day
18 5.30-7.30pm School Arts Showcase
19 Last day of term 2.30pm School Assembly

**October**

6 Public Holiday
7 Pupil Free Day
8 First day term 4
15 9.00-10.00am Learning for Life
17 St Finbarr’s Day 2.30pm School Assembly
20 6.00-8.00pm School Forum
21 Zone Summer Trips
24 4.30-7.00pm Kinder Parents Orientation
29 5.30-9.00pm Proclaim Parents, Xavier Finnie’s Idol Begins
31 2.30pm School Assembly

**November**

3 Kinder Students Orientation
7 Surf Safe Stage 2 & 3
14 Surf Safe Stage 2 & 3 2.30pm Xmas Fair Launch
17 6.00-8.00pm School Forum
21 Summer Sports Trials Surf Safe Stage 2 & 3
28 2.30pm School Assembly Surf Safe Stage 2 & 3

**December**

1 & 2 Surf Safe Kinder & Stage 1
6 Christmas Fair
8 & 9 Surf Safe Kinder & Stage 1
11 Surf Safe Kinder & Stage 1
12 2.30pm School Assembly
19 Last day of School

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**St Finbarr’s Natalic Trivia Night**

Are you interested in attending the Natalic Trivia Night?

If so, please express your interest before the end of term so we can confirm numbers.

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**Student Awards**

Congratulations to the following St Finbarr’s students whose achievements will be recognised at our next whole school assembly on Friday.

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**School Drop-off**

Parents please note that we have had a number of complaints from bus drivers about parents parking in the bus drop-off area at the front of the school to let their children out of the car. To ensure the safety of both children and traffic, could you please drive on into the U-turn bay at the end of the bus zone and stop there to let your child out.

**This week’s value: Give Everyone a Fair Go**

Unity is working and living together peacefully.

**Signs of success**

- Dealing with conflict by listening, talking and working out a solution
- Appreciating the ways in which we are different to each other
- Acting as a peacemaker wherever you go

**CHRISTMAS FAIR MAJOR RAFFLE**

**DRAWN CHRISTMAS FAIR LAUNCH ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 14 NOV 2.30PM**

Additional ticket books available from the office

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**BYO drinks & nibbles and enjoy a great night of entertainment!**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the following 5 girls who performed at the Music Eisteddfod in Lismore earlier this month with their violin teacher Rebecca Britton:

Melody Phillips
Amelia Wilson
Mia Leishman
Olivia-Jade Greenslade
Camille Neighbour

Together the group performed 2 songs. A great experience plus they received first prize in their category.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to all the students who went to Newcastle earlier this month for Polding. Including:

- Masa Leichman
- Will Amos, Thomas Chatterton , Jude Taylor (Jnr Boys Relay with Masa)
- Lola Neale
- Lucas Macree
- Levi Leisland
- Oscar Murdoch
St Finbarr’s Primary School is seeking community support for our Christmas Fair to be held on Saturday 6 December from 10-3.

Our 2014 Fair fundraising target is to raise funds to provide more flexible and interactive learning environments for our children. Together, we can make this a reality.

If you/your business are in a position to make a donation, we would gratefully accept! All small and large donations will be credited.

YES! I would like to make an IN KIND donation to the St Finbarr’s Christmas Fair

☐ PRIZE DONATION such as an item/voucher/service to AUCTION or RAFFLE

☐ Business/Individual Donation and Value: ......................................................................................................

☐ Colour PRINTING of POSTERS/Flyers

☐ FOOD STALL (Thanks to Fish-heads, Earth ‘n’ Sea, The Cyprus Tree on board already)

☐ HAND MADE CRAFT ITEMS (Toys, Xmas Decorations etc) for the Craft Stall

YES! My Business will place an Advertisement in the Echo Shire News Christmas Fair Double Page Feature Ad Lift Out in late November

☐ 6cm x 2 columns $150

☐ 9cm x 2 columns $225

☐ 12cm x 2 columns $300

YES! I (or my Business) can make a CASH DONATION to sponsor a Stall/Activity.

☐ $50-$249 Sideshow Alley (prizes, games, photo-booth)

☐ $250-$349 Craft Materials for hand-made toys and Christmas decorations

☐ $350-$449 Pony Rides

☐ $450-$649 Mechanical Surfboard

☐ $650-$749 Performers, Staging & Audio Operator for Main Stage

☐ $1000+ Waterslides & Jumping Castle

Business/individual name and Donation amount: ......................................................................................................

PTO for Payment Options
PAYMENT FORM

Please complete your details below and give to Class Teacher or Office

Name:.............................................................. Phone:..............................................................

Email:......................................................................................................................

Child & Class:...........................................................................................................

Or can and email to Gabby - gabby.lebrun@tyrgroup.com

I WILL MAKE MY DONATION BY

☐ CASH/CHEQUE/MONEY ORDER ATTACHED

☐ INTERNET TRANSFER: St Finbarr’s Parish School Forum

☐ BSB: 032-573 ACCOUNT NO: 146951
   (Description/Reference: Christmas Fair)
School Holiday Kids Program

Help your child build confidence, discipline & respect while having fun in a safe & challenging environment!

Monday
• X-Ninjas
Grappling, Games and Jiu Jitsu Techniques.

Tuesday
• X-Tigers
Striking, Games and Muay Thai Techniques.

Wednesday
• XMMA-Kids
Mixed Martial Arts, Games and Techniques.

Thursday
• Active Kids & Yoga
Movement, Stretching Games and Techniques.

Friday
• X-Fun & Fitness
Obstacle Course, Games and Movement Techniques.

Book Now
6685 7001

Runs for 2 weeks
• 22/09 till 26/09
• 29/09 till 03/10
9:30am-12:00pm

$40 per child/day
$180 for the week

Bookings Essential

Please bring snacks for your children, make sure they wear things to the Academy and bring a water bottle.

EXTREME
MIXED MARTIAL ARTS

12/74 Centennial Circuit, Byron Bay Art & Industrial Estate.

• 2 hours of training
• 2 x 15min snack breaks
• Limited Availability
Since the beginning of time, human beings have learnt and practiced fighting skills for ultimate survival and supremacy. **Martial Arts** however go much beyond physical skills, as through the control of the body they aim at the control of the emotions and the control of the mind. *There is no serious teaching of Martial Art without dedicated work on Energy* (ki in Japanese, chi in Chinese, prana in India and vital breathe in the West), and training does focus upon the fluid circulation of energy throughout the physical body: as in any holistic discipline, the transmission of the energy is like clear cool water (blue) although the energy itself is burning fire (red). **What is the Way of Martial Arts - the traditional Do - if not the Path of Truth** on which the practitioner advances all his life long? Training with a partner, training alone: both are the same for we move with and within the Energy and come thus closer to a clearer understanding of the Divine.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ol19xdVHyDE A 3rd Dan Black Belt in Karate Do which he has been practicing since his teens and a 2nd Dan in Taekwon Do with four years spent in Korea, **Jean Boussard Sensei** has been initiated to many other Martial Arts : Vietvodao (black belt), judo, aikido, kendo, nunchaku, taichi, capoeira and thai kickboxing; he has trained and taught in many countries and even introduced Shotokan Karate International ( S.K.I.) in India from 1985 to 1987 with an Official Letter of Mission signed by Hirokazu Kanazawa Sensei. **Jean teaches efficiency as Martial Arts are lethal knowledge**, but above all, with a holistic approach that incorporates meditation in every session the understanding of one’s own vital energy: children love it and their bodies become stronger and flexible, their emotions calm and serene, their mental focused and as clear as a limpid lake (the Japanese “Kokoro”).