

LUMSDEN SCHOOL

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- Three Way Conferences Interviews Information (Year 4-6 children)

NB: There will be no Newsletter next week



Reminder: text follow lumsdenschool to 8987 so that you will receive immediate text notification of alerts and reminders via our twitter account (e.g. snow days, cancellations).

Dear School Friends and Families



Happy Birthday to Mrs Hailes, whose birthday falls on the very same day as Billy the Kid, Danny DeVito and Earl Foran!

And congratulations to Miss Mackay who achieved two second places at the South Island equestrian championships in Ashburton last weekend. Teachers will be attending Lana's Registration Ceremony next Thursday, which acknowledges her becoming a fully registered teacher.

Speaking of competing, best wishes to Mrs Waller who is playing for the Southern women's hockey team competing at a national tournament in Auckland next week. A cautionary 'heads up' that the standard of secretarialship will take a significant drop while I am at the front desk!



The Year 5 and 6 children enjoyed an excellent (by all accounts) Science Road Show visit on Tuesday which included all kinds of high-interest and interactive demonstrations and experiments.



Please remind the children to bring their **togs to school every Monday and Wednesday afternoon**, which is our allocated time for the pool. They may not necessarily go swimming on these days, but at least they will be prepared should teachers schedule in a swim on either or both of those days.

We have the opportunity for older children to participate in and Outreach Singing visit again this term. This is a heartwarming experience, where the interactive (as opposed to 'performance') nature of the singing allows all elderly residents to join in, even those with dementia and other age related problems. The children will be visiting the Idea Services day base, along with Rose Lodge on November 29th. Interested children will have brought a notice home this week with more information.

Scott Eade from Touch Southland will be doing Touch skills sessions with each class on Wednesday next week.

Some of you may be wondering about classes for next year we are currently working out how these will look and will inform you about finalised class structures in a couple of weeks' time. Meanwhile if there are any particular circumstances relating to your child which you believe should be considered in their class placement please feel free to discuss this with me by the end of next week.

Remember to keep the evening of Wednesday December 13th free, which is our end of year break-up ceremony. It's a time not only to farewell our leavers, to celebrate 2017 achievements and successes, and to acknowledge the support we have had during the year.



Have a great weekend...The days seem to have grown faster wings these days! Hei konā mai,

Andrew Watson
Principal

Looking Ahead 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
20	21 Eileen Ryan, Public Health Nurse here	22 Touch Rugby sessions with Scott Eade; NSC Orientation Day	23	24	25	26
27	28 Touch Rugby sessions with Scott Eade	29 Outreach Singing, Invercargill	30 Cricket Southland session 1.30 pm	1 Dec	2	3
4 3-Way Conferences	5 Room 5 Adventure Day, Invercargill; BOT Meeting	6 3-Way Conferences	7	8 Lumsden's Got Talent	9	10
11	12	13 End of Year Ceremony 7.00 pm	14 End of Term 4 at noon	15	16	17

Start Date for 2018: Tuesday 30th January

Teacher Only Day: Monday 5th February

Lumsden School FOLS Garden Roster 2017/2018

November	Wendy Burgess	Cara Metherell	Judy Jamieson	Herrick Family
December	Rye/Marsh Family	Beks Ware	McLachlan Family	Hejzlar Family
January	Jeanna Rodgers	Sheat Family	Yvonne Muilwyk	

The gardening areas are mainly at the front of the school and the planter boxes – mainly just weed pulling and removing dead leaves, etc. (approx. 30 mins).

NB: If the month doesn't suit please swap with someone else. Thank you for your support.

Financial Contribution for Term 4 now due

The Board of Trustees respectfully ask for financial donations from each family to the value of \$100 per child for the first two children and \$70 for the third per annum.

We ask that you pay \$25 per child (for the first two) and \$17.50 for the third child for the fourth term. Alternatively you may wish to pay the full annual donation as a lump sum. Please make payment to Sharon in the office at school or directly into the school bank account 030960-0112624-00 (child/ren's name as reference). Thanks to those families who have already paid.

Bible in Schools Reminder

Thanks to those families who have paid their donation for Bible in Schools throughout the year – if you have not already done so could you please send any donations along to school in a named envelope. The approximate cost for each child is \$7.50. We can then forward these on to the LBK Presbyterian Church who provide the books.

Please note that school is officially closed during this time and parents are responsible for supervising any children not attending Bible in Schools with the exception of some bus children.

Lost Property

Please name your children's clothing – it would be a great help when trying to find the owners of miscellaneous items!

Garston School presents a drive-in Movie screening of 'Grease' at the Athol Domain on 25th November. The fun kicks off at 5.00 pm with market stalls, bouncy castle and a live band to jive to. So be like Grease Lightning and call 248 8802 or 027 221 8374 to buy a ticket at \$50 per vehicle (4 or more people) or \$15 per person. Food and drinks can be purchased from our BBQ and bar facilities.

2017 Annual Parent Survey

Our annual Parent Survey is currently being carried out. This is always a great opportunity for the Board of Trustees to receive feedback and ideas about what we are providing for children in terms of their education here at Lumsden School.

If you haven't had a call yet a Board of Trustees member will be phoning you to ask the following questions:

1. What is Lumsden Primary School doing well for your child / children?
2. What do you think Lumsden Primary School can do better for your child / children?

Please consider your answers to these questions and expect to hear from a BoT member in the next week. If you would rather complete this survey online, please copy this link into your web browser:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DG3V5N7>

We value your feedback and look forward to speaking to you. Thanks to all of you who have already contributed to this survey.

School Lawns

Here are the guidelines to follow;

- Pick up the school mower shed key from the Four Square Supermarket
- Check the mower has fuel and fill from can in shed if necessary. Please let the school know if petrol can is low and we will refill
- Check the map attached to the mower showing which areas to mow
- Catcher loads of grass can be emptied around the back of the school next to the sports container. Wheelbarrow next to shed or in vege garden area available if required
- Top mower up with fuel, when finished and return key to Four Square Supermarket.

The roster for the next 3 weeks is:

- 18/19 November McFadzien Family
- 25/26 November McLachlan Family
- 2/3 December McLean Family

National Science Roadshow



Year 5 and 6 children soaking in their science experience at the Roadshow this week.

Mid Northern Southland Toy Library Fundraiser - Catering items

Foil / wrap / baking paper - household items and just in time for the busy baking season :-)
Catering pack size - great to have at the crib/bach and your own kitchen. Please contact Trish if you wish to order or for further information trishy.mike@gmail.com

The Toy Library is at 33 Pluto Road, Lumsden. Great games, toys, equipment, outdoor toys, puzzles for 0yrs to 8yrs. Come and visit us on Tuesday afternoons 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Swimming Stories – Room 4

When I go swimming I like to do front flips into the pool. I like swimming. I want to learn to tread water.

By Frank Cooper

When I go swimming I jump into the pool and start swimming. I want to learn to swim a width of freestyle.

By Parker Maclean

When I go swimming I like to do jumps. When I go swimming I like to do dolphin dives. I want to learn to do backstroke.

By Seneli Wathukarage

When I got swimming I like to swim to the bottom of the pool and back up again. I want to learn to do backstroke.

By Riley McBride

When I go swimming I want to do the dolphin dive and shark attack. I want to learn to do breaststroke.

By Saige Cambridge

When I go swimming I want to do dives into the pool and sit on the bottom of the pool. I want to learn to do butterfly or breaststroke.

By Amelia Leach

When I go swimming I love my Dad swinging me around in the swimming pool. I want to learn to do backstroke, it would be fun.

By Meg Sheat

When I go swimming I want to do dolphin dives. I want to learn to do backstroke.

By Shreesti Sunar

When I go swimming I want to do a bomb dive in the deep end and stand at the bottom of the deep end. I want to learn to do a back flip bomb dive, and swim freestyle with breathing.

By Levi Scott

When I go swimming I like doing freestyle. I want to learn to do backstroke. I want to do a length of backstroke.

By Lachie Gill

When I go swimming I like to do front flips under water. I want to learn to do a back flip under water. I like jumping in the pool.

By Oscar Adams

When I go swimming I love to do overarm and then I breathe, and also backstroke. I want to learn to go under the water for nine minutes.

By Lara Muir

When I go swimming I like to do freestyle and backstroke. I want to learn to do a starfish on my back.

By Grace Walling

When I go swimming I like to do overarm and then I breathe and also backstroke. I want to learn to kick my legs.

By Angus McFadzien

When I go swimming I like to dive in the pool. I want to learn how to do a handstand in the pool.

By Luigi Santelli

When I go swimming I want to do a back flip and dive. I want to learn to do overarm.

By Lewis Chen

When I go swimming I like jumping off the side and belly flopping. I want to learn to go to the deep end.

By Ranae Lewis

When I go swimming I like to do a cannonball and overarm. I want to learn to do back float and backstroke.

By Cedric Abella

When I go swimming I love to do freestyle. I want to learn to do backstroke.

By Xanthe Saunders

When I go swimming I like jumping into the pool at the shallow end, it is fun. I want to learn to do breaststroke.

By Bella Clark

When I go swimming I want to do overarm and kick my legs. I like to swim but not a lot.

By Olivia Collins

When I go swimming I like to go down in the pool and get a ring in the pool. I want to learn to stay under for five minutes.

By Tayla Clearwater



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Three Way Conferences

This notice only applies to parents of Year 4 – 6 children (Rooms 3 and 5) as Year 1 – 3 children are now on an anniversary reporting cycle, and their 3-way conferences align with the timing of these throughout the year.

The staff welcomes you and your child along on **Monday 4th December and Wednesday 6th December** to discuss your child's progress. This is an opportunity to discuss in detail your child's attainment, attitudes and future learning needs. You will receive a written report prior to the interview.

Opportunity will be given to discuss/clarify aspects of your child's learning. Interviews will begin at 3.15pm. Each interview will last 15 minutes. We would appreciate your co-operation in observing this timeframe. You are welcome to arrange another time to discuss issues in more depth. **NB: There will not be interviews after 6pm on Wednesday.** Please indicate below your day/time preference and the staff member/members you would like an interview with.

Please return this form by Wednesday 29th November.

We will confirm your appointment on Friday 1st December.

Kind Regards

Andrew Watson
Principal

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Pupil's Name/s _____

(Tick the box with preferred time & day)

	3.15 – 6.00	6.30 – 8.00
Monday		
Wednesday	3.15 – 6.00	

(Teachers you wish to see)

Teacher	Please Tick
Chloe Madden	
Sarah McLean	
Lauren Hailes	
Andrew Watson	