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### **Reminders:**

- Download the School Stream app to receive texts and updates - Go to [schoolstream.com.au/](http://schoolstream.com.au/) download to download
- For Bus transport information go to [www.dome.easybus.nz](http://www.dome.easybus.nz)

# LUMSDEN SCHOOL

Newsletter Issue 17 – June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018

Dear School Friends and Families



These Fridays are here again so quickly. As this goes to print, hopefully the Waimumu mud isn't impeding the quickness of Travis, Cooper, Tilly, Freddie and Benjamin as they compete at the Southland Primary Schools Cross Country.

A group of children were out and about on Monday, too, singing with Rest Home residents and adults with intellectual disabilities in Invercargill. It was wonderful to see the way the children interacted and engaged with the people there so positively. Thank you to Amelia Duthie, Amy Edwards and Jeanna Rodgers who provided transport.

The support from parents who were able to pick up their children at lunchtime yesterday was much appreciated – Thank you. This enabled all of the teachers to attend the NZEI paid union meeting to discuss and address important issues around their profession, which are largely related to the teacher recruitment and retention crisis that the country has at the present time.

Internet Safety expert John Parsons had invaluable advice for children for keeping themselves safe while using the Net on Tuesday when he spent time with all children, followed by sessions with staff and parents. Hopefully the children have talked with you about things they learnt. It's much about protecting their identity, and not opening the door to people they do not know and trust while on the internet.



Looking forward to holding auditions next week with Senior children for our School Production which will be performed at the end of next term: 'The Not Completely Kiwiana Show'. Children are able to audition for lead speaking parts or to be singing soloists, or both. We'll give some practice scripts to children who are interested early next week.



El Gregoe visits on Monday, bringing his magic and positive behaviour messages – Always a hit with the children.

Meanwhile, have a good weekend. Over the shortest day hump, so on the way to summer again!

Ngā mihi

Andrew Watson  
Principal

## Looking Ahead 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
25 Elgregoe Show 1.40 pm	26 BOT Meeting	27	28	29	30	1 July
2	3	4 Sir Peter Blake Leadership Award Assembly 1.20 pm	5 St John in Schools sessions; FoLS AGM 5.30 pm; Bingo Night 6.00 – 7.00 pm	6 Duffy Books presented by Hamish Walker, MP; End of Term 2	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Start of Term 3; St John in Schools	24 St John in Schools	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1 Aug	2 E Pro8, Winton	3	4	5
6	7 BOT Meeting	8 PB4L Parent Information Session	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 Polyfest, Invercargill	30	31	1 Sep	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 BOT Meeting	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 School Photos	26	27	28 End of Term 3	29	30

### **SchoolDocs**

Our school has been working with SchoolDocs to create a website for our policies and procedures. We are excited to announce that the site is now live and available to our school community.

The school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies which have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines. The policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, etc.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. Our board of trustees has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented. We will advise you when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review.

We invite you to visit the site at <http://lumsden.schooldocs.co.nz/> (note that there's no "www"! ). Our username is lumsden and password maria .

### **Current Review for Parent Input: Reporting to Parents**

1. Visit the website <http://lumsden.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (Lumsden) and password (maria)
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed
4. Read the policy
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent"
7. Enter your name (optional)
8. Submit your ratings and comments.

If you don't have internet access, the school can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

## FoLS News

- AGM to be held Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 5.30 pm here at school. The Chairperson position will be becoming vacant as well as the BBQ Co-ordinator position. All are welcome to attend, held in school staff room.
- Family Bingo Night following the AGM on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July from 6.00 – 7.00 pm in Room 2/3. Cards a \$1 each. Each family please bring a prize to the value of \$5.00. Thank you for your

## Parent Donations

We are extremely appreciative of the support given to the school via parent donations to help us provide high quality learning experiences for our children.

This is to let you know the high degree of benefits which these donations have, in terms of enabling the school to meet children's needs beyond what our Ministry of Education funding allows.

Currently, without other funding streams such as fundraising, parent donations, grants, and sponsorship, we would be operating under a significant funding deficit.

We have also been able to provide high quality resources, such as ready access to technology for children to support and enrich their learning, which our MOE operations grant does not stretch to. Special programmes, such as Duffy Books in Homes, and visiting performers, are also able to be budgeted for, thanks to external funding streams.

In summary, your donations contribute significantly to Lumsden School being able to sustain and improve a high standard of teaching and learning conditions for our children.

With thanks,  
Andrew

## Financial Contribution

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 second term as soon as possible. Alternatively you may wish to pay the full annual donation as a lump sum before this date. 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).

Please feel free to discuss this with Andrew or Michelle Mitchell (BOT Chairperson 248 7080) if you have any other questions or concerns about this request.

## Absences Reminder

If your child is absent from school you are able to send an email via the school website (Contact us → Report an Absence), alternatively a phone call to the office before 9.00 am if possible would be much appreciated. Thanks.

**Entertainment Memberships** - it's that time of year again. Book or digital (on smartphone). A Lumsden School fundraiser for our own sail flags (at front entrance with school values on them) and an easy way to save \$\$ when eating out, grabbing food on the go, accommodation, families activities and so much more - all throughout Southland and Otago. Savings to be had right here in Lumsden.

Please visit <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/26143w9> to order online or you can purchase at the school. Thank you for your support! Contact Trish if you have any questions [trishy.mike@gmail.com](mailto:trishy.mike@gmail.com)

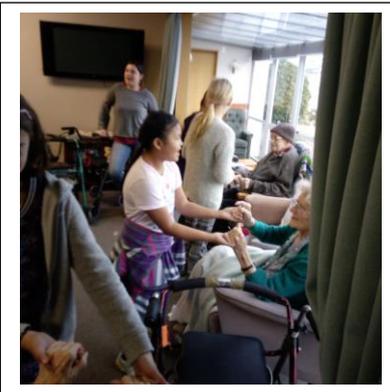
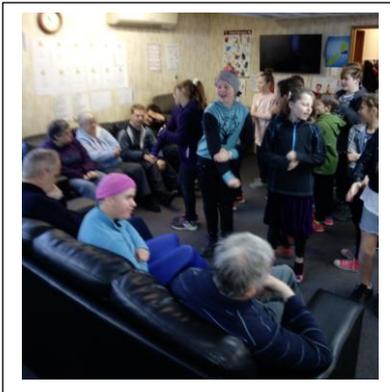
## Lost Property!

Come and check out our bin of lost property before we have a clean out at the end of term – everything from jackets, hats, socks, tops and trousers. **Please name clothing that comes to school.**

## Help for Ollie Beaumont

Thank you for the kind support we have had with the gold coin donations which children have brought to school this week. As a result of this \$137.80 has been raised to put towards Ollie's 'Give a little' page to help him recover from his dog attack ordeal. Thanks again to Cooper Leach who initiated this thoughtful idea.

## Outreach Singing



Children having a wonderful sing-a-long with residents of Rose Lodge, Calvary Rest Home and the Idea Services day base in Invercargill on Monday.

## Lumsden Wasps Football Grade 12

Players of the Day: Cade McLachlan and Caleb Hellewell  
Made top four Cup round. Well done.

## University of Otago Science Expo

Corner of St David and Cumberland Streets, Saturday 7 July 10am – 4pm and Sunday 8 July 10am – 2pm. All welcome – Free entry.

## eXcesS Enterprises Handiwork for Sale



Samantha and Xavier have carry bags (\$5), tog bags (\$15), aprons (\$20 large, \$10 small), and lip balm (\$2.50) for sale which they have made at home to help cover their school camp costs. Do check them out when you are next popping into school!

Northern Southland Community Swimming Pool Trust Presents:

The Midwinter...  
**HULLABILLOO**

...Bill love it or not, the ex-Prime Minister is coming to Lumsden! Join Bill as he shares light-hearted memoirs of his time in politics, then chill out or hit the dance floor as local band Elbow Junction crank up the tunes.

Saturday 30 June, 7.30pm, Lumsden Memorial Hall

**\$45**

Ticket price (p.p.) includes:

- Guest speaker Bill English
- Live music
- Nibbles and supper

Courtesy van available at \$5 per couple  
**CASH BAR ONLY**

Tickets available from Lumsden Primary School or Northern Southland College

**Numbers are limited, be in quick!**

A fundraiser for the Northern Southland Community Swimming Pool