



# LUMSDEN SCHOOL

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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)

Dear School Friends and Families



Lots of 'Out and About' experiences going on this term, as the summer kicks in. Great to see 24 of our children enjoying being involved in a Touch competition at Mossburn this week, run by Touch Southland. The Year 1/2 team will play again next week, while the older children will have a bye due to being at Camp. Superstar Cricket starts on November 1<sup>st</sup>, and we have quite a few children registered for this too. Good to have these sporting organisations being prepared to come out from larger centres to provide our children with these opportunities, which are so good for them socially as well as physically.

Cycle and Celebrate is another fun recreational activity coming up for families to enjoy, on Saturday November 10<sup>th</sup> (see enclosed flyer for details). Along with the 15km cycle ride, there will be lots of stalls, live music, and activities for kids – A great community day to enjoy.

Speaking of Cycling, we enjoyed the visit this week by the Tour of Southland Road Show, which didn't simply promote interest in the event, but included important safety messages about biking, and promoted cycling as a healthy and enjoyable recreation option. The school will certainly be out there to support all the Tour cyclists as they come flying into the finish line in Lumsden on Monday at approximately 2.40 pm.



This time next week there will no doubt be many a story being told about Stewart Island adventures! Mrs Hailes and Miss Madden have organised a great programme (and have booked good weather ☺), and we are fortunate to have the number of parents we need who are keen and able to support the children and staff to make the most of this amazing environment.

Thanks for the returns of Pet Day forms we have had. We would appreciate all forms being **returned by Monday**.

Wonder whether you've spotted the Lumsden School page in this week's Advocate. We really appreciate the support of our sponsors for making this opportunity of celebrating Lumsden School happenings via this widely-read newspaper possible.

*Thank You*  
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Have a good week. Ngā Mihi,

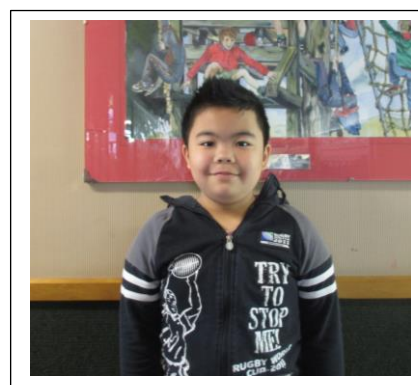
Andrew Watson  
Principal

## Looking Ahead 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29 Tour of Southland, Stage 1 finishes at Lumsden	30 Yr 5 & 6 Camp to Stewart Island	31	1 Nov	2	3	4
5	6 Eileen Ryan PHN here; Photo Orders due	7	8 Armistice Day Special Presentation by the Hankey's	9 Pet Day (no Bible in Schools today)	10 Cycle and Celebrate	11
12	13 BOT Meeting	14 Matt Randall, Olympian, here 9.30 – 10.30 am	15 NZEI Strike Day	16 Outreach Singing Workshop	17	18
19	20	21 NSC Orientation Day	22	23	24	25
26	27 Eileen Ryan PHN here	28	29	30	1 Dec	2
3	4 BOT Meeting	5 Mitre 10 Top Kids, Year 6's, Invercargill	6	7 Bike Park Opening	8	9
10	11	12 Lumsden's Got Talent	13 Graduation Ceremony 6.30 pm	14 End of Term 4	15	16

### Welcome to School

We are pleased to welcome Andrei Raga to Room 3. We hope you enjoy your time at Lumsden School.



### Whanau Clubs

We are going to be having Whanau Group Clubs this term on a Thursday afternoon. These will be based on beautifying the school.

We need your help in working with Whanau Groups. Ideas could include Concrete Wall Murals, Planting, Sculptures, Tennis Court Designs, Signs, Painting Games and Shapes on the concrete and any other ideas that you can think of.

They will run the 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> November and the 6<sup>th</sup> December.

We are looking for coloured bottle tops for one of the activities so if you have any milk bottle tops please send them along.

If you would like to be involved helping a Whanau group, please let me know at school or by email [mhoughton@lumsden.school.nz](mailto:mhoughton@lumsden.school.nz).

Regards

Michelle Houghton

### Headlice

A couple of cases recently please be vigilant in checking your children's hair. Thanks.

### School Photo Orders

Please return any photo orders to school by Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Thanks.

## **Update re Principal/Teacher Industrial Action**

New Zealand's principals and primary teachers have just voted about what to do to get government action on the current crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

We're agreed - we can't in good conscience accept the Government's latest collective agreement offer because it does not begin to address the crisis.

We have therefore voted for an unprecedented second strike, to be held next month. There will be nationwide rolling principal and teacher strikes over a week, and our region will be striking on **Thursday November 15<sup>th</sup>**.

While we regret the inconvenience we know this will cause families, we need to send a clear message to the Government that we are standing strong for our students.

Already children's education is suffering because of the difficulty in recruiting teachers and relievers, and we must take bold steps to turn this around. The Government recently announced a \$5.5 billion surplus, so there is no reason to make our children wait while the situation deteriorates further.

Through our union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, we are asking for:

- Smaller classes, so our children can get more one-on-one attention
- More resources and staffing to adequately support children with additional learning needs – this will benefit all children because teachers will be freed to spend more one-on-one time with every student
- A significant increase in teachers' salaries so that they are properly valued for their qualifications and responsibilities, and as a country we can recruit and retain teachers.

We appreciate your continued support on this important issue. For more information, please go to <http://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/> or talk with your child's teacher.



### **The Fiordland and Northern Southland Community of Learning**

**(FiNSCoL)** is a group of nine schools and seven Early Childhood Centres. These are: Lumsden School, Northern Southland College, Balfour School, Garston School, Waikaia School, Te Anau School, Mararoa School, Fiordland College, Mossburn School, Lumsden Playcentre, Riverstones Playcentre, Balfour Playcentre, The Blue Duck, Southern Stars, Fiordland Kindergarten, and The Key Playcentre.

The vision of the schools of FiNSCoL is to support all students to become independent, self-directed learners. We acknowledge that working together (rather than in isolation) will lead to greater success for our students.

We are aiming to raise achievement at identified transition points - From ECE to Primary School and Primary School to Secondary School.

We would like your perspective regarding how you find transition as a parent or member of your schools BoT in our Community of Learning. Please fill in the Google form using the link shared on our school Facebook page or, or type in this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/WXhRbB2yzQVKInnN2>

### **Thank You**

Thanks to Lukas Hejzlar for all his time and work to help shift the bags of coal from our school down to the College in the weekend. Also to Maurice Graham who came and spent another couple of hours working on the construction of our new sandpit toy shed (almost finished!).

## Lawn Mowing Roster

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 few weeks is:

- 27/28 October Walling Family
- 3/4 November Ware Family
- 10/11 November Wilson Family

## Pet Day BBQ Roster

11.30 am	Holly McBride, Tash Muir, Mariette Geldenhuys
12.00 pm	Cowie, Kington, Leach
12.30 pm	Amanda Russell, Sarah Cooper, Linzi Keen
1.00 pm	Kirsty Bryan, Selbie, Hoffman
1.30 pm	Holly McBride, Jacky Liu, Ware

Thank you to all the parents who have put their names down to help with our school BBQ's. anyone who is not on the list and wishes to help please feel free.

Many hands make light work!

Also we will be selling : Bottled water \$1 each; and Ice Blocks \$1 each.

Thank you

*Holly McBride*

## Riding with the Stars

On Sunday at 2.00 pm, kids have the opportunity to ride with the Tour stars. Lots of fun, and spot prizes to give away. Also kids have the opportunity to win one of four bikes. Download the Southland App, click the Tour of Southland button and enter.

## Tour of Southland Roadshow



Constable Marty Lohrey and Junior Cycling national representative Natalie Green check out Xavier's technique during the Tour of Southland Roadshow on Wednesday.



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# Cycle & Celebrate

## Saturday 10th November

11am to 3pm



**Jennian**  
HOMES  
*Your personality Our expertise*



**Register  
Online!**

[www.cycleandcelebrate.co.nz](http://www.cycleandcelebrate.co.nz)

Market stalls,  
entertainment  
& lots more!

15km Race from  
Five Rivers to  
Lumsden.  
Suitable for the  
whole family  
and avid cyclist!



**Northern Southland Amateur Swimming Club** is taking registrations for this term. 6 weeks from 29<sup>th</sup> October. Monday and Wednesday nights from 4.00 – 6.00 pm. Here's the link to the registration form: <https://goo.gl/forms/IIYOwPXm2Yq1JWsh2>  
Or email nsasc.[lumsden@gmail.com](mailto:lumsden@gmail.com)



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## Let us help raise funds for Lumsden School

This spring, PGG Wrightson and Ballance Agri-Nutrients will again run Cash for Communities. For farmers who nominate your school, we will donate \$1 per tonne of qualifying Ballance fertiliser purchased.

### Plus, give your school the chance to win iPads.

The school with the highest amount of nominations in both the North and South Island through the Cash for Communities 2018 programme will receive three Apple iPad Pros each. The school with the second highest amount of nominations in both the North and South Island will receive two Apple iPad Pros each.

Over the next few weeks, we will be encouraging our customers to get involved in this year's Cash for Communities and we suggest you do too.

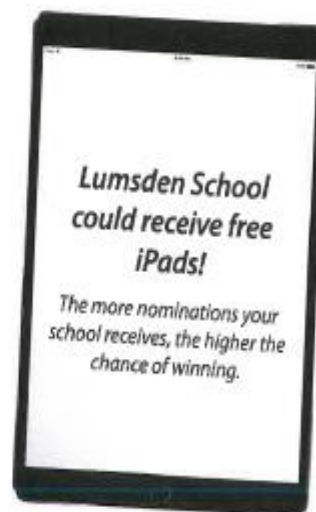
We have included a poster and flyer to help you get started raising awareness of this promotion at your school to encourage nominations towards your school. A range of other resources including posters and advertisements for your newsletter or website are available at [www.cashforcommunities.co.nz](http://www.cashforcommunities.co.nz) as well.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [cashforcommunities@pggwrightson.co.nz](mailto:cashforcommunities@pggwrightson.co.nz) or phone 03 372 0965.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Weightman  
National Sales Manager  
PGG Wrightson Limited



\$1 for every tonne of Ballance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser purchased (excluding Lime and Gypsum) will be donated. Open to PGG Wrightson account holders only. Once a \$25 donation total is reached for Lumsden School, you'll be guaranteed to receive a cheque for the funds nominated at the conclusion of the campaign. Apple iPad Pro 10.5inch, 64GB models will be given away. For eligible products and full terms and conditions see [www.cashforcommunities.co.nz](http://www.cashforcommunities.co.nz).