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#### **Attached:**

- Room 2 & 3 Parent Interview Information
- School Stream App Information

Please note school swimming is on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please ensure children bring their swimming gear.

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).



## LUMSDEN SCHOOL

Newsletter Issue 34 - November 11<sup>th</sup> 2016

Dear School Friends and Families



Monday was a peticularly good day (re-read if you missed that ☺). Thanks to all of our helpers – judges; BBQ food preparers and cookers (approx. \$400 raised from this for school resources);

agrikids tutors; dog obstacle course creators (Andy Denley and Sheril Jones). Also to bagpiper Nikolai Whelan and sponsors Agrisea and ANZ bank. We were also very grateful to the support from parents, helping children with their Pet Day preparation, bringing pets to school, and taking the time to come and join us. It was great to see the pride children were taking in their pets (and soft toys!) and the very positive 'school family' atmosphere, as the children engaged so positively together in all of the activities. And I must make mention of Mrs Hailes who did a great job to organise and co-ordinate this successful event.

I forgot to mention in last week's newsletter that some of our children visited the Limehills Pet day recently. We were invited to send some children there to watch multi-world champion David Fagan do a shearing demonstration. Farming fanatics Jack Walling, Toby Patterson and Maisie Mitchell were selected, and while they were there, took part in an agrikids competition and won. They also received information about adopting a country to support during the world shearing championships to be held at Stadium Southland early next year.

As the term rolls past its half way point, many of you may be starting to wonder about classes for next year. We are currently working out how these will look. One thing we do know is that given the large number of Year 6 children moving onto High School at the end of this year, our roll is like to be at around 78 to start 2017, which lends itself to 4 acceptably-sized classes. At this stage I'm also able to let you know that Lana Mackay has accepted the offer of becoming a permanent teacher on our staff. We're very fortunate to be able to retain Lana's excellent skills and attributes which add much to our teaching team. Parents will be informed 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.

Congratulations to Troy Fowler, Fynn Mitchell, Mitchell McLachlan and Mackenzie Herrick, one of our Lumsden School golf teams which has qualified for the Southland Champs at Drummond on November 25. A very good achievement considering they were up against Year 7 and 8 teams at Mossburn during the Northern round.

Looking forward to Touch coaching sessions being taken across the school next Thursday by Scott Eade. Speaking of expert coaching, many thanks to Paulette Leach who has continued her ball skills programme this term, taking sessions with the senior children. Paulette has put lots of time and work into taking these sessions voluntarily, which is much appreciated.

Finally, we farewell Madeleine Walker and Kim Allan, our College of Ed Teacher Trainees who have been with us over the past three weeks on their end of year posting. As a College lecturer said to me after she'd come out to observe them, "If this is the future of teaching then the future is bright". We've really enjoyed having them on board, and wish them both all the best as their training continues.



Have a good weekend. Will hopefully see lots of you at the 'Cycle and Celebrate' event on Saturday, where some of the children will be biking and quite a few

performing a school kapahaka item (1.50 pm) during what is shaping up to be a great family community event. Ka kite ano,

Andrew Watson Principal

Looking Ahead 2016						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
14	15	16	17 Scott Eade Touch Rugby sessions	18 FoLS Coffee and Chat 1.45 pm	19	20
21	22	23	24 Southland Primary Golf Tournament, Drummond	25 Room 2 & 3 Reports home; Year 6 NSC Orientation Day	26	27
28	29 BOT Meeting; Room 2 & 3 3-way Conferences	30 Room 2 & 3 3-way Conferences	1 Dec	2 Last day for Bible in Schools	3	4
5	6	7 Mitre 10 Mega Tough Kids Event Invercargill (Year 6 attending)	8	9 Assembly 1.30 pm; "Ice Cream" Afternoon 2.00 – 3.00 pm	10	11
12 "Lumsden's Got Talent" 1.30 pm (note change of date)	13 End of Year Ceremony 7.00 pm	14 End of Term 4	15	16	17	18

#### **Welcome to School**

This week we are pleased to welcome Crew and Carlyn Wilson, along with welcoming back Tyrese Gemmell, to our school. We hope you enjoy your time at Lumsden School.



#### **Financial Contribution**

Financial donations for the fourth term are now due. The BOT ask for 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 as soon as possible. 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). Thank you to those families who have already paid.

## **Announcing the arrival of SCHOOL STREAM**

This is a new app for parents to download to receive school information instantly and directly to smartphones, e.g. Alerts and reminders, consent forms, newsletters. Please see attached information about how to download the app, and there's also a form to return if you still require information to be delivered via traditional methods (Note: Hard copy of Newsletter will still come home each Friday).

#### **Art Fundraiser – FoLS**

Children's art has been sent home this week – please make any cheques out to Friends of Lumsden School. All orders to be returned to school by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Thanks.

## Watch out for ..."Molloscum Contagium"

This is a common viral skin infection, which can be mistaken for chickenpox. The spots (usually small and shiny in appearance), are painless, disappear on their own and rarely leave scars. They present anywhere except on palms or soles. In most cases, treatment is unneccesary.

## **Lawnmowing Roster**

The roster for the next 3 weeks is:

12/13 November Wilson Family
 19/20 November Woods Family
 26/27 November Abella Family

<u>NB</u>: The key to the mower shed is at the Lumsden Four Square, there is a map of the area to be mown in the mower shed. If the petrol container is empty or low please contact Mackenzie Aitken phone 022 391 3152. If you are unable to mow the lawns on your rostered weekend please organise to swap with another family yourself.

## **VIP of the Week**

Congratulations to Ruby Menlove last week's VIP recipient for sharing nicely on the playground.



### Awesome Independent Pet Day Writing - Room 1

'I liked Luke's Guinea Pig and Oscar's lamb.' By Saige

'I had a Dinosaur at Pet Day.' By Shreesti

## **Swimming**

Class swimming:

- Wednesday: Room 1, 4 and 5 swim 1.30 2.15 pm
   Room 2 and 3 swim 2.15 3.00 pm
- Friday: Whole school swim 1.30 2.30 pm

If any parents are able to help with supervision please contact the school. Thanks.

SEASON TAGS: Families \$130 + \$20 bond, Singles/Seniors \$80 + \$20 bond For further information or queries, please contact Paulette 021 1211723.



The whole school enjoying their first school swim for the season.

## **Duffy Book \$5 Orders**

Orders are due back at school by Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November. Cheques to be made payable to Lumsden School. If you want to collect your order from the office please note on the order form or your order will be sent home with your child.

## Persuasive Writing – "I think animals should not be kept in cages"

In my opinion it is cruel because they don't get fed enough and don't get their exercise. I feel it is unfair because they don't get to live their normal life and have fun.

I believe that there is no point in having an animal or pet if you only keep it in a cage. When I got my dog she had been kept in a cage. She was bony and wasn't used to commands so she wouldn't come to you. It's important to give your pet lots of room to move so they can behave like they're supposed to.

I know that when animals are kept in a cage their bones don't grow properly and their muscles don't develop. When we picked up our new dog Izzy she had no muscle and she was very bony.

This is why I think animals shouldn't be kept in cages because it's cruel and you don't deserve an animal if you're just going to keep them in cages.

Written by Troy Fowler

#### **Football Results**

Lumsden Wasps vs Lumsden Stingers 1 all. Lumden Wasps vs Drummond Demons 3-1, Lumsden Stingers vs Hillside Speedsters 4-0. Great teamwork from everyone!

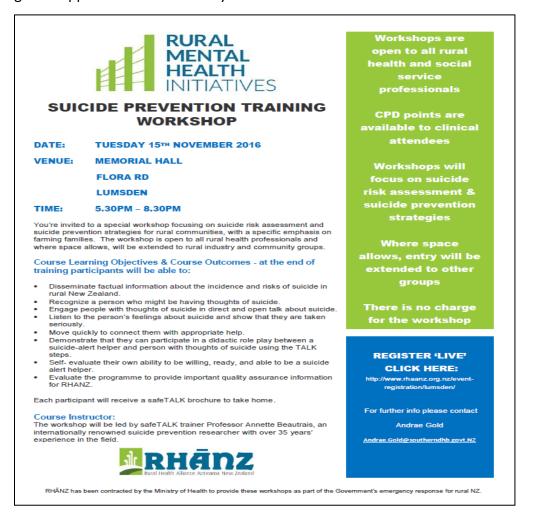
## Northern Southland's Cycle and Celebrate – a cycling event and community fun day!!

We have 2 bikes to give away on the day

- 1) Added Energy best dressed bike bikes to be in Lumsden by 1.00 pm for judging
- 2) Crossroad Cycles Gore fill in a quick simple survey about the event, be there for the draw at 2.00 pm to win another bike!!

Market stalls, food and entertainment around the railway station – also at the Lumsden Memorial hall there are additional stalls.

Come along and support a local community event!!



# Spetacular Day





















Dear	Parents/	'Caregivers,
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**Three Way Conferences** 

This notice only applies to parents of Year 4-6 children (Rooms 2 and 3) 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 **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November** 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 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

We will	confirm	your	appointr	nent on	Friday	25"	November.	

Kind Regards			
Andrew Watson Principal			
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(Tick the box with preferred time & day)

Tuesday	3.15 – 6.00	6.30 - 8.00
Wednesday	3.15 – 6.00	

(Teachers you wish to see)

Teacher	Please Tick
Chloe Madden	
Lauren Hailes	
Andrew Watson	

## Your school now has a FREE app

Receive school information, instantly and directly to your smartphone



## How to download your FREE app

- 1 From your mobile device go to the App Store (iPhone/iPad) OR Google Play (Android) search for School Stream and download the app to your phone
- 2 Make sure you agree to push notifications
- 3 Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type your school name into the search **THEN** select your school

For more detailed instructions go to schoolstream.com.au/down





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- Are your children attending different schools? Tap the school selector, type the school name' into the search then add. Jump between your children's schools d≡lect add a school, by touching the school name/logo in the top blue bar, or switch schools from the slide-in menu.

  \*Any additional schools will need to be licensed users of School Stream to appear in theapp.

Choose what notifications you receive

- Open the School Stream app on your mobile device
  From the slide-in menu, go to Settings
  Under Edit/Alerts select My Schools and select your School to open the Notifications page
  Toggle notifications on or off individually (e.g. Alerts, Events, Newsletters, etc.)
  When you have finished, use the Back button to return to the Settings page, then select Done to return to your School

Return at any time to change the notifications you receive.

If you don't have access to a smartphone and require information to be delivered via traditional methods (printed

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## Instructions for installing & deleting the School Stream app from your device

#### Installing

- From your mobile device go to the App Store search for School Stream
- 2. Tap the FREE button to the right of the
- 3. Tap the INSTALL button
- 4. Enter your Apple ID and password & tap OK
- 5. Wait for the install icon to change to OPEN
- 6. Tap the OPEN button
- 7. You will be prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select OK
- 8. Start typing your school name into the search then SELECT your school

#### Deleting

- From your device press and hold down the School Stream icon until the icon begins to jiggle.
- Tap the little x in the upper-left corner of the School Stream app. (A dialog appears, informing you that deleting this app also deletes all its data)
- 3. Tap the Delete button.

#### Installing

- 1. From your mobile device go to the Play Store search for School Stream
- 2. Tap the School Stream listing
- 3. Tan the INSTALL button
- 4. Tap the ACCEPT button
- 5. Wait for the app to install then tap the OPEN button
- Start typing your school name into the search then SELECT your school
- 7. Tap the DONE button in the top left

#### Deleting

- 1. Tap on the Menu button

Tap on
 Settings: Applications: Manage applications

- 3. Tap on the School Stream app
- 4. Tap on Uninstall