Hi everyone-

Thank you for a lovely first Term. Well done Ava on completing your very first Term of Kindergarten and with such enthusiasm and confidence.

The students are currently putting together a small booklet of work that they feel they have tried hard at or achieved well in, from this Term. I’m hoping to have these ready for Friday to bring home.

This week we have had Jeff visiting us from Maine, USA. If you received the note last week, Jeff is completing his thesis for Uni on our Kitchen Garden Program. If you have not sent in your survey yet, Jeff will be visiting again at the beginning of Term. It would be great if you could help him with his studies.

On Friday we will be spending a few hours at The Channon Hall. We will be watching a performance by Ninja Hoop Circus. They are over here from America touring at the moment. I have had a quick look at their website- amazing talent!

Thank you to Brie for taking some time to tidy up around the front of the school- much appreciated. It’s great to have everyone involved in our school.

Don’t forget to collect items for the Mothers’ Day Stall at The Channon markets in May. It can be left here or at Jo’s the day before the market.

Have a very safe holiday if you are travelling over this break. Look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday, 29th April. Happy Easter.

Regards

Alison Bath

Upcoming Events

April 11
Ninja Hoops Workshop The Channon Hall

Last Day Term 1

April 29
Students return Term 2

May 8
Dunoon PSSA Cross Country Corndale PS
School holiday kids and family camps
It's not too late to book your child into a NSW Sport and Rec holiday camp. There are also family camps available year-round, for an active, family-friendly (and pocket-friendly) getaway. Find out more: [http://bit.ly/1hWxTra](http://bit.ly/1hWxTra)

Managing screen-time
Helping kids find the right balance between activities, homework and screen-time is a challenge that only gets harder as they grow older. Common sense Media has lots of useful resources to help – from movie and game ratings to articles like this one on setting screen time limits that are realistic enough that your children will actually follow them. Read the article here: [http://bit.ly/1pBIfmk](http://bit.ly/1pBIfmk)

Books to boost brains
Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It’s also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (for adults too!). If your child hasn’t found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier’s Reading Challenge list? Here are top suggestions for all ages, including young adults: [http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0](http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0)

Kik, Vine, Instagram – are they safe?
It’s no contest – kids discover and understand new social media long before we adults do. If your child is thinking about creating a new social media account – or complains that “everyone else is doing it”, you can get the facts a glance from School A to Z’s technology glossary. You’ll also find information about age restrictions and things to watch out for: [http://bit.ly/188OerY](http://bit.ly/188OerY)

Essays due soon?
Learning how to plan, write and polish an essay is a skill that takes a long time for most people to learn. Different types of essays follow different rules of structure. If your teen is currently working on an essay, you’ll find this video (and the links to fact sheets on the right hand side of the page) really useful in explaining the “how to” of essay writing as it’s taught in NSW public schools: [http://bit.ly/1ljl1mZ](http://bit.ly/1ljl1mZ)

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Lismore Sewing Centre is running sewing classes for children during the school holidays. These are run as junior and senior classes.

If you need any information, please email back any questions.

Regards

Nicole Ansell

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**ART CLASSES**

**Kids Art Lab**

**April School Holiday Art Programme**

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Tuition $18.00 per class

Bookings essential

**Kids Art Lab has been providing quality Art Education for Primary & High School students @ The Northern Rivers Conservatorium in Lismore, since 2005.**

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