Art Awards
All students who had their artworks purchased will receive their artwork and commission tomorrow afternoon. If your child is not at school their artwork and commission can be collected from the office.
Thankyou to everybody who supported our school by purchasing artworks.

Collaborative Artwork Prints
These are still available to order from the school. A display is on the whiteboard outside the kitchen in the residence. This shows sizes and prices. Order forms can be completed and placed in the envelopes provided with the correct money. Orders will be filled every two weeks from now until the end of term.

We now have more cards made from a print of the artwork. These are available for purchase at a cost of $2 each or three for $5.

Plants
Thankyou to our families who are continuing to purchase plants left over from our Art Awards plant stall. These are still available for purchase for $5, $8.50 and $12.50. Money for plants can be left at the school office.

Plates
Thankyou to the families who supplied food for the opening night. We still have some plates in the kitchen that are ready for collection.

Happy Birthday
October 22\textsuperscript{nd} - Annie, October 23\textsuperscript{rd} - Eloise & Syd, October 26\textsuperscript{th} - Riley,
Wishing everyone a very happy birthday! May you all have lots of fun!

Calendar
Term 4
Week 4
Monday 26\textsuperscript{th} October  2016 Kindy Orientation 9.30am-12.30pm
Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} November  2016 Kindy Orientation 9.30am-12.30pm

Volunteer!
Even if it’s a little thing, do something for those in need of help, something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it.

Albert Schweitzer
Kids in the Kitchen

A huge thank you to Allison Houlden who has been busily helping our students cook quiche this week. The children have enjoyed cooking (and eating!!) their creations. Our students love to get into the kitchen and we thank Allison for providing this opportunity. Parents are always welcome to assist our students create culinary delights. If you have some free time and would like to run a Kids in the Kitchen class please contact the school.

Thanks also to the P&C for providing the majority of the ingredients used in the quiche.

School Photos

School photos were taken on Tuesday. The photographer complimented our students on their manners and behaviour. Photos should be returned to the school in the next few weeks ready for collection by those families who ordered them.

The Rivers Small Schools’ Opera House Choir

Adam, Grace, Hannah, Jessie, Nickola and Sam KR have been attending rehearsals for most of this year as part of The Rivers Small Schools’ Opera House choir. All students auditioned in 4th term last year to be part of the choir. The time has finally come for them to head to Sydney to sing at The Sydney Opera House. They will board the bus next Wednesday afternoon and arrive in Sydney Thursday morning ready for more rehearsals with the other 700 students in the combined choir before they perform in the concert hall Thursday evening as part of the Department of Education Choral series. Friday will be spent enjoying some of the sights of Sydney before they travel back to Lismore overnight Friday.

This is an amazing experience for students and has required dedication and commitment for almost a year. We wish them the best of luck and are excited to hear all about it on their return.

Lismore Public Speaking Competition

Sabrina will speaking in the finals of Lismore Public Speaking Competition at Lismore City Hall on Wednesday 4th November. Sabrina will be the First North representative in the Stage Two competition. All students in Years 4-6 will be attending this event to support Sabrina and listen to the other speakers representing their schools. Students in Years 2 and 3 are invited to attend if they wish and can collect a permission note from the office. Participation for students in Years 2 and 3 is optional. Transport will be by bus at a cost of $3 per student. Please return the attached permission notes and money by Friday 30th October.

Kindergarten Orientation Program

Our parent information evening was held last night. Our orientation program commences on Monday 26th October from 9.30am – 12.30pm for 4 consecutive Mondays. Please contact the school if you require any further information about our orientation program.

Intensive Swimming

All students K-6 will participate in our Intensive swimming Program commencing Monday 23 November and concluding Friday 4th December. Intensive Swimming is a compulsory part of our school sport program and costs are based on all students participating. Cost for this year’s program will be $55.00 or $27.00 if you hold a season pass at the Alstonville Pool. Cost includes bus and pool entry. Permission notes will be distributed closer to the date but payment can be made to the school at any time prior to the commencement of the program. If you have any question or concerns please contact the school.

Student Invoices

Thank you to everyone who has made payments throughout the year for voluntary contributions, workbooks, uniforms, excursions etc. Our school financial year is fast approaching and in order to have outstanding accounts finalised it would be appreciated if all outstanding monies be finalised by Thursday 5th November 2015. As a reminder, I have attached to the newsletter today an invoice for anyone who may still have any monies outstanding. If you are having difficulty in meeting these payments please contact the school immediately. Thank you.

Donelle

“Helping Each Other Grow”
Responsible Pet Program

On Tuesday K/1 had a visit by “Stealer”, a border collie dog and it’s owner as part of the Responsible Pet Program. We learnt how to recognise the signs of a scared, happy and angry dog. We all practised how to “pat” – stroke a dog and what to do if we see an angry dog.

Practicum Students

Tara Cooper and Zoe Heinritz are second year students completing a Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education in Primary/Early Childhood at Southern Cross University. Tara and Zoe commenced their practicum at Eltham Public School on Tuesday 6th October 2015. Tara is with Year 4/5/6 and Zoe is with K/1. Tara and Zoe will be here until 16th November 2015. We wish Tara and Zoe all the best and hope they enjoy their time at Eltham Public School.

P&C News

Fundraising – Although this is not the only role of the P&C is an important part of what we do. People sometimes shy away when the words fundraising or P&C meeting are thrown around. The fundraising done by the P&C reduces the cost of school activities in a variety of ways. Our P&C has subsidised bus trips for all students, helped pay for event tickets to keep prices low for all students, helped school provide resources for classrooms and we are currently working toward providing a solid shade structure over the fixed play equipment. The school applied for a grant to assist with funding but unfortunately unsuccessful. We are now looking at funding the shade structure over our playground which will benefit all of our students by protecting them from the sun. Each and every student will reap the benefit and we ask that all families support our efforts in raising funds for the project if they can.

The P&C do not keep profits from any fundraising. It all goes back to school and its students, your children. Please don’t be scared off by fundraising or meetings, come along, have a say, help with the decision making, just come along in support. This then leads into...

Next P&C Meeting - Our next meeting is Tuesday November 3rd at 7pm in the school residence. We will have an art awards wrap up and options for the SHADE STRUCTURE will be discussed and planned. We would appreciate as many parents as possible to come along and have a say. All input is welcome. We only have 2 meetings left this year. Please make an effort to get along to one of them especially November 3rd. Please if you only come to one meeting this year make it this one. The last meeting will be December 1st.

Eltham Pub Raffles - Just a couple of Friday evenings to go. Please come down and help us raise some money for our school. All you need to do is sell a few tickets in a meat raffle or two. Chat to people, have a laugh and you have supported Eltham Public School and our students, your children. This Friday 23rd and next Friday 30th October. Thank you to those who have helped out each week thus far, we really appreciate it and keep up the great work.

Skating Night - Thank you to all the families who attended and we really missed those who could not be there. We skated, we sweated, we laughed, we had great music and games with prizes. We hope to do another Family Skate Night early next year and hope to see you all with your skates on. Maybe even have a theme next time. Thanks again for attending.

Kindy Orientation - Cathy Davis is going to be at school 26th October at 9.30am to have a cuppa with any parents interested while their precious new Kindergarten students participate in their orientation program. We would invite any other parents to come along also to support this and have a cuppa and a chat and get to know any new parents. We did this last year and it was quiet, lovely and friendly. It would be great if anyone else could come along November 2nd, November 9th or November 16th to do the same. If you are available and would like to have a cuppa or bring along a cake or something tasty homemade or bought, please email elthamp_c@yahoo.com.au We are a friendly school and it is another opportunity to build our school community.

Ten Pin Bowling - The P&C have the opportunity to have our school banner up at Lismore Ten Pin over the Christmas holidays. For every game of ten pin played the bowler has the opportunity to nominate a school and that school gets a portion of the profit. We would ask all school families to support Lismore Ten Pin over the holidays and nominate Eltham School. Please tell friends and family to do the same. The more we promote this the more we receive financially at the end of the school holidays. So please help spread the word and nominate our school. Remember how hot it can get over the Christmas break and Lismore ten pin is air conditioned. When there are rainy days and you are looking for an activity, remember Lismore Ten Pin.

Thanks everyone for all your support from the P&C Committee.

Kyleigh Polley, Eltham P&C Secretary

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Community News

Alstonville How Scarecrow Competition - Individual or group entry. Free entry. Scarecrows to be delivered to the showground during show week. Scarecrows will be sashed on Saturday 31st October at the Alstonville Show.

Barefoot Bowls John Huegill Memorial Charity Day - 3pm Sunday 25th October at Cherry Street Sports Ballina. $20 per person, teams of 4. Bookings 6686 2811 or Col Lee 0417 862 602 or Jodie Shelley 0427 287 627.

Cartoon Camps - Byron Bay 28th-29th November 2015. $20 per class. P: (02) 9343 0833 E: bookings@cartoonkingdom.com.au
W: www.illustrating.man.com.au

Clunes Community Preschool - now taking enrolments for 2016. We invite interested families to come to our Open Morning on Thursday 29th October from 9.30 to 11am. Please come along and find out how preschool can support your child to be social, develop connections to the community, and learn the skills to be a lifelong learner.

For more information, call us on 66291551 or email clunespreschool@gmail.com

Eltham Film Night – “Rocky Horror Picture Show” Eltham Hall Saturday 31st October. Food from 7pm, movie starts 8pm.
Bookings: P: 6629 1131 or 6629 1476, E: elthamcommunityfoundation@gmail.com

Gorgeous Girls - a girls group that supports girls aged 8-13 years to learn to appreciate and value themselves. Current pressures such as social media, gaming and the presence of the internet, advertising, music videos etc combined with a busier lifestyle many girls do not feel solid within themselves and can be easily influenced by these external pressures. This program is to support girls to feel more confident in themselves by recognising who they are and what they have to offer while also supporting them to build positive connections with other girls. Group sessions start Monday 2nd November 2015, Richmond Hill Community Centre, 4.30pm – 5.45pm. Cost: $60 for 4 week program. To register: E: kristy@kidsinconnection.com or P: 0438 859 337. Or for more information W: www.kidsinconnection.com

Water Fun Program - This program is supportive for students who may not feel comfortable engaging in more competitive sports but who can benefit from physical activity in a fun and playful environment. This program was run with a group of students last year and it supported them to wake up, feel energised and look forward to the day. They were then more attentive at school and ready to learn. Sessions start Tuesday 27th October, Summit Gym Goonellabah, 7am-8am. Cost: $60 for 5 week program. To register: E: kristy@kidsinconnection.com or P: 0438 859 337. Or for more information W: www.kidsinconnection.com


Muay Thai – Special 30 day trial course. 3 Rural Street Lismore, P: 0432 546 493.

See the noticeboard for more details on all the above events.

Kindergarten caught on camera!