



Casino West Public School

NEWSLETTER

13 May 2025 Term 2 - Week 3



- **Knockout Netball**
- **Cross Country training**
- **Close the Gap - Grafton Excursion**
- **Senior students visiting SCU**



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Principal Report

PRINCIPAL - LESLEY MILLS

Dear parents, carers and community members,

Welcome to week 3 of term 2, let's hope the rain stops soon!.

With the term well underway we have been very pleased with the great efforts of our students who are focussing well on their learning. Student attendance has also been firm with many students attending over 90% of the time. This ensures that learning and social development is continuous and familiar for students which helps achieve their learning goals

Yarn Up/Morning Tea: To support your child in the development of reading skills we are presenting a parent morning tea/workshop where we will outline some simple things you can do at home to support your child. You will also receive some resources, engage in activities which may help with this and have a lovely morning tea. We hope to see you there.

Students have been very busy this term with sporting activities; Soccer and netball games have been played against other schools and students are training for our Cross Country.

This week Stage 3 are attending 2 excursions, Close the Gap Day at Grafton is tomorrow (Wednesday) and GRIP Leadership is on Friday. Please return all notes and money for your child to attend these events. Both events are very worthwhile and build leadership skills in our senior students. PLEASE NOTE BUS LEAVING TIME FOR THESE EXCURSIONS.

Our Mother's Day Stall was wonderful as usual, and we thank our P&C for the effort they put in to make this successful for our students. The P&C also ran a sausage sizzle on election day which was the only sausage sizzle in town. Great job! Planning for Beef Week is well underway as is planning for our NAIDOC celebrations at the end of the term.

Our Stage 3 dance group will be travelling to Tweed Heads in a few weeks to take part in the North Coast Performing Arts Festival. Practise is going well, costumes have been purchased. Our dance groups are very popular and will be entering a few events and competitions this year. It is wonderful to see so many talented and dedicated students take part in this opportunity.

Casino West Public School are very fortunate to have support for our students through a number of organisations and individuals. We have recently received some funding from Casino Charity Cash Bingo and The Upper Richmond Rotary Club who also supply students with toasties and fruit on Wednesday mornings. We can't forget Louise, Val and Anja for the operation of our school canteen to supply our students with healthy lunches.

Keep an eye on the calendar!

Kind regards

Lesley Mills

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KM - MARIA MOY

Class Spotlight

5/6DG - NICOLLE DEN ELZEN and ANNA GUMLEY

Class 5/6 DG have had a very busy and exciting start to Term 2!

In Literacy, we've begun a unit focused on Vincent Lingiari, linking closely with our History topic on Human Rights. Students are engaging thoughtfully with these important themes.

In Mathematics, we are diving into fractions, including equivalent fractions and an introduction to percentages.

Our CAPA (Creative and Performing Arts) lessons have a special focus this term, celebrating Mother's Day and preparing for the upcoming Beef Week. We are looking forward to starting our interest groups too. We could choose between Woodwork, Art, Cooking, Jewellery Making and Movie Making.

We're also looking forward to two special excursions:

- The GRIP Leadership Conference, which our Stage 3 students are lucky to attend each year, and
- Closing the Gap Day in Grafton, an important event that deepens our understanding of equity and reconciliation.

It's shaping up to be a term full of learning, creativity, and meaningful experiences!



Soccer PSSA Knockout

ROD KILBY

Our soccer boys displayed athleticism, great skill and support for each other at the Knockout Soccer last week. Casino Public School defeated Casino West 4-0.



Mother's Day Picnic

CASINO WEST STAFF

A big thank you to all the families that attended our Mother's Day picnic last Monday. We hope you all had another special day on Mother's Day.



Message from AEO



HALEY CONNORS

Jingee-Walla,

I thought I might share an easy recipe using native ingredients. This week we have Lemon Myrtle Pancakes.

You could make these with your jarjums at home or send them as a lunchbox treat. If you have any recipes that you would like to share, please send them in.

We hope you have fun cooking!

LEMON MYRTLE PANCAKES

serves 4



Ingredients

- 1 tbs Lemon Myrtle
- 250ml milk
- 1 egg
- 1 cup self raising flour
- 3tbs sugar
- 1/2 tsp bi carb soda
- Pinch of salt
- Butter for frying

Method

1. Whack all ingredients in your mixer and set on high for about 3 minutes until the mix is smooth and bubbly, alternatively whisk until lumps are gone
2. Wipe fry pan with butter over medium heat.
3. Pour dollops into fry pan. After bubbles have risen and popped, flip over until golden brown
4. Serve with ice-cream and enjoy!



Important Reminders

WEEK 3	Wednesday 14 May	- 'Close the Gap Day' Grafton Excursion
	Friday 16 May	- GRIP Leadership Excursion Southern Cross University Lismore Campus
Permissions to be returned	Who	What
	All students	- Annual consent forms
	Year 5 & 6 Students Year 3 - Year 6	- Close the Gap Excursion Grafton note - GRIP Leadership note - Charlie Cox Beef Week Cup
Notices	Who	What
	School community	- School Bytes APP is available Please download via the app store - Do you need to apply for bus travel in 2025? https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-for-a-school-travel-pass



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Award Recipients

KM, 1C & 2R ASSEMBLY T1 Wk 2 - Theme: Public Speaking

Class	Star of the Class	Sports Star	
KM	Amity McB	Tylon Mc	
1C	Faviola R	Sharnee B	
2R	Kyzel A	Zhyiana C	
Class Merit Awards			
KM	Azra W	'Amazing reading, writing and drawing'	
KM	Annabelle Mc	'Respectful and a great helper'	
1C	Jackson C	'Blending two phonemes'	
1C	Orlando W	'Increased enthusiasm for writing'	
2R	Azariah W	'Increased reading fluency'	
2R	Noah R	'Welcome to CWPS'	
	Principals Award	Reason	
KM	Brandon E	'His enthusiasm for school and learning'	
1C	Jayce J	Blending letter sounds to read and write'	
2R	Xiamarah B	'A great start to her learning at Casino West!'	
Birthdays			
Oliver M	Alana D	Nevaeh S	Jaydan W
Jye W	Tylon Mc	Hunter H	Jake C
Zhyiana C		Skylar J	
Playground Draw		Best Behaviour at Assembly Award	
Jaydan W	Jaydan W	2R	



Award Recipients

PRINCIPAL AWARD T2 - 2025

Azzalea A	Ariana C
Flynn S	Scarlett M
Georgia M	Jaydan W
Faviola R	Jamaya B
Ksenia R	Lacey C
Archie M	Miya W
Emberlily A	Piper H



PLATTY AWARD T2 - WK 1 & 2 For being Safe, Respectful & Responsible

Alista B	
Jake C	Charlotte G

DIFFERENT TEACHER SAME RESPECT AWARD T2 - WK 1 & 2

Summer H-C	Enzo L
Nahum H	Lameah B



Our Focus

Our value this week is

PATIENCE

- Having **patience** means you are calm when waiting.
- How to be patient:
 - Wait your turn to speak
 - Help someone understand something, even if they do not understand at first.

Patience leads to confidence and good choices.

Ms G. Speck
Instructional Leader

P&C News

Hello parents, carers and school community

Our next P&C meeting will be Wednesday 14 May in our school library at 3:45pm with light refreshments. Please come along.

Thankyou kindly
Jasmine Baran
P&C President



Attendance Matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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Attendance Term 2

Well done to the following classes:

Week 1

K-6R 95%, 2R, K-6S, K-6H & 3/4W 90% & 5/6K 85%

Week 2

K-6M & 3/4W 95%, K-6R 93%, K-6S & 5/6K 90% & 5/6DG 85%

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight



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4 weeks



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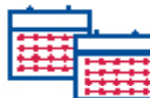
Over **1** year missed

1 day per week



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8 weeks



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Over **2.5** years missed

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Happenings

Term 2

Term 2 - 2025	
Wednesday 14 May	'Close the Gap Day' Grafton Excursion
Friday 16 May	GRIP Leadership, Southern Cross University Lismore Campus
Wednesday 21 May	Parent Information Morning Tea 10:30am
Thursday 22 May	PSSA Knockout Netball rematch, Colley park
Monday 26 May	National Sorry Day
Thursday 29 May	Charlie Cox Beef Week Cup
Friday 30 May	Casino West Public School Beef Week Celebrations
Tuesday 3 June	Dance group travel to Tweed Heads
Wednesday 4 June	Dance group performance at Twin Towns, Tweed Heads Dance Festival
Thursday 5 June	Dance group return from Tweed Heads
Monday 9 June	King's Birthday - Public holiday
Wednesday 11 June	Dorroughby Excursion - Support Classes
Thursday 26 June	Bike Incursion
Monday 30 June	NAIDOC Assembly 9:45am and Celebrations at Casino West. All Welcome.
Tuesday 1 July	NAIDOC class celebrations Infants
Wednesday 2 July	NAIDOC class celebrations Primary
Wednesday 2 July	Gold Rewards - hot dogs
Friday 4 July	Last Day of Term 2

Happenings

Term 3

Term 3 - 2025	
Monday 21 July	Staff Development Day - staff only
Tuesday 22 July	Students return to school
Friday 25 July	Mitch Tambo 2:00pm - 2:45pm
Friday 1 August	School Athletics Carnival
Friday 8 August	Meerkat Performance 9:15am
Tuesday 23 September	Gold Reward - ice cream van
Friday 26 September	Final day Term 3

Community News

BEEF WEEK

CASINO NSW - EST 1992

Beef Week 2025

NEW INITIATIVE! Calling all children and teenagers in our area for entries for a "hands-on" Beef Week project. There are certificates and prizes to be won in different age categories.

Preschoolers Beef Week Project (5 and under)

Preschool children are invited to submit their own model of a beef cow made with playdough. **The model needs to be submitted standing on a paper plate or piece of cardboard with the name, preschool name and age of the child and the chosen name of the cow.**



Diorama Project (Kindergarten to Year 10)

Create your own diorama (model in a box) depicting the life of a beef cow. You can use a variety of craft materials to make your diorama attractive. The dioramas will be judged on creativity, effort and attractiveness. Students from Year 5 and above need to attach an information paragraph about their diorama. This can be glued to the side or the back of the box. Suggested size for the diorama is a shoe box but not much bigger than this please. **Make sure your name, school and age are clearly on the diorama.**



All projects need to be **submitted to your preschool or school by Wednesday 21 May 2025** so I can pick them up. I will be judging these with a panel, organising the certificates and the prizes to go back with them to the schools. **All entries need to have name, age and school on them.** They will be displayed in the Casino Library. I am looking forward to seeing lots of entries!

Stephen Schofield (Local Teacher and Farmer) ph: 0430912612



Authorised by the Georgie King Beef Week Co-ordinator 2025

Gemfest

Lismore Showgrounds

17th May 9am - 5pm
18th May 9am - 3pm

Discover Dazzling:

Jewellery, Fossils
Kids Activities
Crystals, Gemstones
Food Stalls



Admission:
Adults \$5
Kids \$1

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Both Days
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The Centre

Northern Rivers
Community Legal Centre

Free Legal Advice

Our outreach clinic at Casino Library begins on Monday 14th April. Starting in May we will be at Casino Library on the last Monday of each month. Please call us to make an appointment.

Our Centre provides free legal advice by telephone and in person on:

- Credit and debt issues
- Consumer complaints
- Disaster recovery related matters
- Discrimination
- Family violence
- Family law
- General civil matters including employment
- Motor vehicle accidents
- Traffic matters
- Victims services

We do not provide criminal law advice.

**The last Monday of each month
at Casino Library.**

Enquiries or to make an appointment:
nrclc@northernriversclc.org.au or call 1800 689 889

Taekwondo

CASINO PUBLIC SCHOOL



Tuesdays
4-5 pm
Starts 6 May

\$15 per session
+ after school care fee

We are Child Care Subsidy approved!
CCS available for eligible families (up to 95%)

Join now!



Call 0429 640 075 (9am-3pm Mon-Fri)
Email rrkassist@nrcc.org.au
Web nrcc.org.au/rrk

Rainbow region kids

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS childcare

Community News



**Come & join us
for our community women's yarn
up day with NSW Health**

THURSDAY, 05TH OF JUNE **Coraki Youth Hall, 77 Bridge Street Coraki**

10:30am - 01:00pm

**BBQ Lunch provide
Yarn about health and wellbeing**

For more information call Rhiannon or Emanuel, Ngunya Jarjum 02 6626 3700 or Roslyn Northern NSW Local Health District 02 6620 2843

NSW Northern NSW Local Health District



Free workshop

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Coffs Harbour, NSW



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



**Wednesday
25 June, 2025
9:15am to 3:00pm**



**Opal Cove Resort
Opal Boulevard
KORORA NSW 2450**

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

**During the workshop
you will learn about:**

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:
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