Principal’s Message
Last Thursday and Friday I attended the North Coast Principal’s Conference. We were treated to some amazing speakers who inspired us and made us think about new ways to inspire and engage all students and staff in our schools. I look forward to sharing some of that learning in the newsletter over the next few weeks. I am confident you will see evidence of this learning within the school.

**COLOURSS Science Day**
Tomorrow we will host the annual COLOURSS Science Day. It’s sure to be a great day, and a real advantage to us not to have to travel to other schools. The theme is ‘Light’ as it is the ‘Year of Light and Colour’. Our P&C are also running a canteen, which will also benefit our school. Thank you Wren and your team for offering this additional service to this special day.

**Zone Athletics Carnival**
We have 6 students representing us at the Zone Athletics Carnival this Friday, 14th August. We wish Sunai, Mia, Thomas, Alako, Jasper and Lachlan well. Mr McCartney and Mrs Grove will be supervising the team in Lismore. I hope to be able to join the team later in the day.

**Performing Arts Festival Taking Shape!**
Participation is looking promising for the performing arts festival. Thanks to everyone who has sent notes in! We have confirmed that we will be participating on these dates only, so please make a note of them on your calendars:

- **Monday 24th August** – Daytime rehearsal
- **Thursday 27th August** – Matinee performance

There will be a bus to and from the Lismore Workers Club on both days. The whole school will attend the performance on the Thursday. Please complete the permission slip attached and return to school as soon as possible. This should be a fantastic opportunity for students involved and they are sounding great as we continue to rehearse for the performance.

It is not too late to hand in permission forms – so **please return them this week** if you have not.

**Costumes:** We thought as the piece we will be performing is very much music orientated that students could wear their favourite clothes.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy or Jamie.

Thanks,
Jamie :)

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**Important Dates**

**Term 3**

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**Term 4**

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<td>Tuesday 13th October: COLOURSS ‘Speak Easy’ Public Speaking Comp and K-2 activities</td>
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**Interest Groups/Clubs**

Our students again has a wonderful time at Interest Groups/Clubs last week. From all accounts, our volunteers are enjoying the experience just as much as the students. Thank you Wendy for the photos! Thank you to community members who have volunteered their skills and time to our Interest Groups/Clubs. A reminder that there will be no Interest Groups/Clubs this week due to Science day tomorrow.

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**School Photography**

Last week we had local photographer Nikki Long visit our school to capture, in photos, the essence of life at Barkers Vale PS. We look forward to sharing those photos with you.

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**Drama Classes**

Just a quick reminder that there will be no drama classes on the following dates.
- Thursday 27th August - Performing arts festival
- Thursday 10th September - Lake Ainsworth camp

Regards Marley

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**Lake Ainsworth**

Our Lake Ainsworth camp (Yrs 3,4,5 & 6) is now only 4 weeks away—can you believe it! Thank you to parents who have been making regular instalments. We trust that you are able to finalise payments prior to the camp. Please don’t hesitate to contact me to arrange a payment plan if needed. If you need to apply for student assistance please let us know this week as we still have a little available.

Teaching staff will rotate throughout the 4 days, however, Ronnie will be there for the entire camp—I am sure she will be a great ‘camp mum’ to all.

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**Premier's Spelling Bee- BVPS**

As previously mentioned, Barkers Vale Public School will again be competing in the Premier’s Spelling Bee this year. We trust our students have been practicing for the school spelling bee on **Thursday 20th of August** at BVPS. Parents are welcome to attend this event. The two finalists from each class will then travel to the regional finals, which are held sometime during weeks 9-10 this term at a venue TBA.

You can access the word lists and further information at the link below using the password: **robot**.


Note: Junior words begin at Level 1 and go to Level 5 and senior words begin at Level 2 and go to Level 7.

If you don’t have access to the internet or printing facilities I am happy to copy a list for interested students.

If you have any further questions you may contact me at school.

Regards,

Alison Ryan
**Barkers Vale PS Recycling**

The recycling team will put the bags on the Library veranda to be collected EACH THURSDAY. It would be great if they could be collected that afternoon after school.

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If you need to swap, please contact one of the people on the list and see what can be arranged.

It is important that the recycling be collected so that vermin doesn’t get into it.

Thanks again!

The SRC and Mrs Mac

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**P&C Term 3 Canteen Roster**

Students look forward to canteen on Mondays and they also love to see their parents helping out at school. If you can find some time to help out in the canteen next term or provide some home cooking, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to all those parents who have already volunteered in the canteen so far this year. Please fill in your name if you can do any of these times or home cooking and return this form to school ASAP.

Thank you to our families for continuing to support our school Canteen. Profits from canteen sales help to subsidise excursions for all our students. If you are able to help as a volunteer, or with home cooking, please indicate on the roster above.

A reminder that the canteen will operate tomorrow for the Science Day. Thanks to Wren, Vicki, Emma, and Jodie for volunteering their services tomorrow.

Regards

Your P&C

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Lismore Performing Arts Festival - Permission Note (Performers)

I give permission for my child ……………………………….. to participate in the daytime rehearsal in Lismore at the Workers Club on Monday 24th August. I understand that travel will be by bus.

Signed ……………………… Date ……………..

Lismore Performing Arts Festival—Information

Our whole school will be attending the Matinee performance of the Lismore Performing Arts Festival on **Thursday 27th August**. This is a whole school event with all staff attending. The bus will depart school at **9.15am**, and return to school by **2.45pm**. Students will need to bring their lunch, a water bottle and a snack for the day. Please complete the permission slip below and return it to school by Friday 21st August.

Lismore Performing Arts Festival - Permission Note

I give permission for my child(ren) ……………………………….. to attend the Matinee Performance of the Lismore Performing Arts Festival at the Workers Club (featuring Barkers Vale students) on Monday 24th August. I understand that travel will be by bus. Total cost is $7.00 ($2 for the show and $5 for the bus).

I enclose payment of …………

Signed ……………………… Date ……………..