# Lismore Heights Public School

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# **HEIGHTS HAPPENINGS**



# **NAIDOC Week Celebrations**

Our NAIDOC week celebrations commenced on Tuesday this week, when we created a human Aboriginal flag.



This was followed by a special NAIDOC assembly. Kaleesha (our school's Aboriginal Community Support Officer and Language Tutor) did a wonderful job leading our assembly and sharing the significance of NAIDOC week with students and visitors. Uncle Patrick Speeding provided *Welcome to Country*,



which was followed by some lovely performances by our Deadly Dancers, and the presentation of *Stronger Smarter Awards* for Aboriginal students who have displayed outstanding leadership at school. The awards were presented by Tami Chadderton (*Aboriginal Education and Wellbeing Officer* for the Department of Education). The assembly was followed by a BBQ and an invitation for families to view the school's NAIDOC Art Exhibition (which featured an extensive variety of Aboriginal artworks), and the day ended with traditional dancing and rotational games supported by Casper (parent) and Rob Robertson and his team of sports teachers and high school students from The Distance Education Facility in Ballina. And on Wednesday, a select group of Deadly Dancers attended Summerland Christian College to perform and deliver a series of dance workshops for the students at the school.



#### CALENDAR

2 July	Movie Fundraiser 11.15am. \$13 per person Lismore Cinemas
18 July	Students return to school
24-28 July	Book Fair

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Vacation care will be operating from Monday 3 July- Monday 17 July. Excursions include –Macadamia Castle, Victoria Park and Ballina Maritime Museum. Bookings call Jalyn 0437 553 057

We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Elders, past and present, of the Wijabul Wyabal people and other peoples of the Bundjalung Nation. We acknowledge that they are the first peoples of this land on which our school stands.







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#### NAIDOC Continued...

Our special thanks to Kaleesha for her hard work in organising the assembly, Uncle Patrick for his *Welcome*, Ray for his ongoing commitment to supporting our Deadly Dancers, Casper and Rob (and his team) for their amazing support in running the rotation activities. Our NAIDOC celebrations concluded on Thursday with a visit to Lismore's Showground to participate in the city's NAIDOC celebrations. We would like to acknowledge the amazing support that we received from parents and community members who attended our special NAIDOC assembly this week, and also those family members who provided supervision during our Showground visit. ongoing commitment to supporting our Deadly Dancers, Casper and Rob (and his team) for their amazing support in running the rotation activities. Our NAIDOC celebrations concluded on Thursday with a visit to Lismore's Showground to participate in the city's NAIDOC celebration during support in running the rotation activities. Our NAIDOC celebrations concluded on Thursday with a visit to Lismore's Showground to participate in the city's NAIDOC celebrations. We would like to acknowledge the amazing support in running the rotation activities. Our NAIDOC celebrations. We would like to acknowledge the amazing support in running the rotation activities. Our NAIDOC celebrations. We would like to acknowledge the amazing support that we received from parents and community members who attended our special NAIDOC assembly this week, and also those family members who provided supervision during our Showground visit.

# **Debating and Public Speaking**

Last week students from Lismore Heights travelled to Alstonville Public School to compete in the first and second rounds of the Premier's Debating Challenge and the Local Final of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competitions.

Photographed are our eight debating representatives unwinding after a tough day debating topics including WE SHOULD BAN ALL VIOLENCE IN SHOWS AND GAMES AIMED AT CHILDREN where they were



the negative. Congratulations to Angus, Abbie, Josie, Ayla, Lauren, Rosie, Violet, Teshika, Kaida and Jayden on the fine

way in which you represented our school.

# Lantern Parade

Thank you to all of the Lismore Heights PS students and families who attended the Lantern Parade on Saturday. I estimated that there were 80+ students, parents and grandparents marching with the school, and so many more watching from the pavements and roof terraces. A big shout out to the King

family for carrying the Owl again! And who spotted Mr Scotton wearing the Dirtgirl lantern costume during the fiery finale this year? This year's celebrations were all the more special because of the floods that engulfed the city back in March. Thanks to everyone who turned out. We love our city!

# **Happy Holidays**

This photograph arrived in my email inbox this week. It looks like Mrs Ryan and her husband are already enjoying a wonderful break overseas (seen here in front of Big Ben, London). We would like to wish all of our families a safe and happy holiday. Enjoy the time with your families, and we will see you all next term. School resumes on Tuesday 18 July.





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