Every Day Counts! Give your child the best possible chance in life!

Dear Parents and Caregivers

This term has been very rewarding, with great NAPLAN results. Yipee! Congratulations to our wonderful staff, who are obviously getting the recipe just right for successful learning. Please spread the word with your friends and family.

I hope you have got your dancing shoes on, in preparation for Friday night’s Dancing Under the Stars. The evening begins at 6.00 p.m. with a BBQ. At 6:30 p.m., ‘The Year in Review,” will begin and you will be able to view the highlights of the year to date. The theme for the evening is, ‘We can be Heroes.” A flyer will be sent home with today’s newsletter. It is always a great night, so come along and join in the fun. Guests are welcome to come in costume also.

A new sign for the front of the school, has been approved from cyclone funds and should be here after the holidays .......... It is quite different to the original one, but the messages are easier to change.

Students in Years 1, 2, 3 and 4, will have the opportunity to attend swimming in Term 4. The cost of the bus will be will be covered by the P & C Association and the school. School will participate in six lessons at a cost of $54.

This is a wonderful opportunity for your child, especially as we live in a climate where swimming and swimming safely, is essential.

The Book Fair was a huge success, with many students and their parents, purchasing a number of books. Reading is so important for everyone, so please, over the holidays, read or listen to, your child read. Open up a whole new world through reading.

Looking forward to seeing you all on Friday evening.

Regards,

Lea Ryan
ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE OF THE WEEK

Well done P/1 M!! 😊

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PREP 2016 ENROL NOW

IF YOUR CHILD TURNS FIVE BY JUNE 2016, ENROL NOW. Information and enrolment packs are now available from the office.

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CHRISTMAS FAIR AND MARKETS

The next Christmas Fair and Markets Meeting is Tuesday 13 October, 3.30 pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Our Fair will be held this year on Friday 4 December, 2015. It is only 3 months away we need your help.

DONATIONS: If you can ask a business for prizes for our major Multi Draw Raffle we would be appreciated. i.e. Vouchers for Meat, Hair, Gym, anything. If you require a letter to give to the business they will be in the office.

P & C NEWS

Our next meet will be on Tuesday 20 of OCTOBER 3.30 IN THE STAFFROOM All Welcome.

There will be no meeting September.

Fathers’ Day Stall was on Friday 4 September
Thank you to those who helped and donated gifts. We made $160 profit.

This Friday the P & C will be running a BBQ from 6.00pm until 7.00pm for our Dancing Under the Stars evening.

Steak Burgers $6.00
Sausage on Bread $2.50
Softdrinks $2.00

Will be for sale also our chips and ice creams we sell in tuckshop.

Hope to see you here.

Also we have a raffle $1.00 a ticket Grocery Hampers and Esky and Drinks.

Thanks to our free dress day we raised $80 which we purchased prizes. Thanks to a donation of the Esky.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday break.

CALENDAR EVENTS

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STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council is looking for donations for the bottle stall at our Christmas Fair.
We are looking for small items, eg pencils, erasers, toiletries etc.

Thank you
Bridget Walker and Student Council

Woolies Earn and Learn

Please keep collection stickers. There are copies of sheets at the office.
From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers. Bring in your stickers or completed sheets into school. The more stickers we collect, the more exciting resources for our school and our students.

Book Fair

Scholastic
open a world of possible

Date: 31 August – 3 September
Time: 8 – 8:45am
3 – 4 pm
Where: Library

Book Week

Prizes can be collected Thursday morning at the Smart.

Guidance Officer News

The Guidance Officer attends State Schools on a weekly basis each. If you would like to make an appointment please contact the office staff, class teacher or administration.

This week there have been discussions around separation distress. So I have gathered a few pointers from Kids Matter (Australian Childhood Mental Health Initiative):

- Children’s separation distress can be managed by:
  - Working together
    - Share information re disruptions home and school
  - Positive goodbye routine together (sharing high five; something funny or loving gesture)
  - Connect with your child’s staff member.
  - Building Trust
    - Always say ‘goodbye’ to your child and let them know when you will be back
    - Always respond to a child’s distress
    - Try to be reliable and on time when you return to your child.
  - Building safety
    - Be calm, warm and friendly
    - Avoid lengthy goodbyes as they may increase separation distress
    - Support your child to become engaged in an enjoyable experience before leaving
    - Have routines so children feel safe and are able to predict when their parents and carers will return.
  - Prepare your child
    - Visit the new service
    - Find out about the services activities and processes and engage in them.
    - Talk about the service with your child on the way there and reassure them you will be back.
  - Reconnecting and providing continuity
    - Spend extra time with you child when you reunite to reconnect again.
    - Allow your child to express their distress, acknowledge the child’s feelings and avoid labelling or criticising.
    - Talk with your child about what they enjoyed in their day.
If you are looking for something to do in the September school holidays SU QLD (Scripture Union Queensland) will be running Blast camp. Blast camp is an annual camp held in Yeppoon for children in Grade 5 to Grade 8. This camp runs from Monday the 21st of September to Friday the 25th of September 2015, and applications are open now. I will be attending Blast camp this year as a leader. If you have any enquires please feel free to contact me or you can browse the SU QLD camps website where you can find more details about blast camp and other camps in the region such as “Beach Bash” for Grade 8- Grade 12 students.