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

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I hope that you all enjoyed the extra day with your families over the long week-end. I know that I did. We have a BIG week ahead of us, with Sports Day (Field Events) and Tabloid Sports today, Sports Day tomorrow, Show Holiday on Thursday and school on Friday. **Variety is the spice of life!**

On Sports Day, students are invited to dress in their house colours: Kookaburra - , Currawong - and Lorikeet. Hats and sunscreen are an absolute must. Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly named, as this will make it a lot easier for everyone. Thanks for your co-operation.

Our grand old school is almost back to her beautiful best. There are still a few things to be completed and things to replace, but the end is in sight. All of the contractors have been very co-operative and very easy to work with. The staff from the Rockhampton Education Office and Building Asset Services should be awarded medals for the way in which they worked with us, to get everything back in order.

Just a reminder to all members of our community: no one should be in the school grounds after school has concluded for the day. No one is permitted to ride bicycles, skateboards etc. in the grounds at all. Please ensure that your child adheres to these guidelines. If you see anyone in the grounds, other than workmen and staff, could you please contact the police. During the past couple of weeks, a number of scooters have been stolen from the bike racks. I have contacted the Police and informed them. All scooters will now be under lock and key.

Our flag pole and basketball backboards will be getting a face-lift in the next week or so. I will keep you posted.

At the present time, we are a teacher short. Mr. Joyce is no longer with us, however, we have had wonderful Supply Teachers in his place. District Office and I are looking for a high calibre replacement.

Although the end of term is creeping up on us, we must maintain our high standards, with regards to school uniforms and hats, behaviour and attendance. Students should be at school **every** day, unless they are unwell. I have noticed that levels in some grades have declined recently. **So – come on everyone** …………………………………………………………………

.........Every Day Counts!!!!!
See you at Sports Day

Regards,

Lea Ryan
Principal

HelLO FROM PREP / 1M

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What a busy time that we have had so far this term. All the preps are well and truly engrossed in their learning.

Thank you too, Happy Wednesday last week. All our Awesome Parents and volunteers that help in the classroom every morning, helping children read and learn new sight words.

PLEASE NOTE

Sports Day

children are encouraged to wear plain T-shirts in their House Colours’—on Wednesday 10th June for Sports Day. Prep children will have their Run early in the program and Tabloid Sports, which includes a rotation with Years P—3 with Ball Games, Fun Relays and Activities was held today.

CURRICULUM FOCUS FOR PREP WEEK 6, 7 AND 8 – TERM 2

We are also focusing on tall and short as part of our Mathematical Understandings. In addition to all this we are continuing with our Literacy and Language awareness looking at the letters and sounds and as well as journal writing. In Early Mathematical Understandings we are still exploring the numbers to 10 -20, counting frantically and developing the recognition and writing skills of these numbers.

REMINdERS

Parent help. We are always appreciative of help in the classroom. Thank you to the parents who have come and helped so far! We understand that due to the busy lives we lead it is not always possible to be involved in everything, but we would urge that if you could find the time it is a great benefit for your child to see their parent or caregiver showing support in their education and for yourselves to observe the curriculum in progress.

Your support during Term 2 has been greatly appreciated by your children and their teachers. The partnerships between home and school are a very important ingredient for successful learning.

Library reminders have been sent home, please remember to bring library books back before Wednesday so we can borrow new books each week.

REMINDER: As young children often do not recognise their own belongings, we cannot emphasise enough the need to label absolutely everything – school bag, shoes, lunch boxes, hats, library bags, and clothing.

Thank you for your support....

Debbie Mallory

PIRATE DAY

PIRATE DAY FRIDAY JUNE 12
CHRISTMAS FAIR AND MARKETS MEETING

The next Christmas Fair and Markets Meeting is 28 July, 3.30 pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Our Fair will be held this year on Friday 4 December, 2015.

If anyone would like to hold a stall at our Fair or know of someone who can, application forms for stall holders are available in the office.

P & C NEWS

Our next meeting is 16 June 3.30pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome. Hope to see you there.

SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL

School Bus Travel – Code of Conduct – Spraying of Aerosols

The Department of Transport and Main Roads has developed a Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses to ensure all passengers have a safe and enjoyable journey between home and school. It also outlines the categories of breaches of the Code of Conduct. The list of breaches is not meant to be exhaustive but is intended to provide guidance in regards to inappropriate behaviour. Parents are advised to familiarise themselves with the Code as they are expected to ensure their children are aware of the Code and their responsibilities in regards to their behaviour. When about to perform an action the student must consider the impact that action has on other passengers, the driver and their environment.

One of the breaches bus operators/drivers are constantly dealing with is the spraying of aerosols (deodorant). Spraying of aerosols may seem like a harmless action but an aerosol sprayed within a confined space (bus) is an issue that the Department and Operators takes very seriously, as there are a number of health and safety issues that may arise from this action, such as: causing respiratory problems eg. Asthma attack; being sprayed into another passengers’ eyes; flammability of the product etc.

Please also be aware an Operator may refuse travel to your student as a consequence of spraying an aerosol on the bus.

The Code of Conduct can be found at http://translink.com.au/travel-information/network-information/school-transport/safe-travel or contact your bus operator or nearest Department of Transport and Main Roads office.

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FOOTBALL CENTRAL QUEENSLAND

GIRLS COME & TRY DAY

Where: Norbridge Park, North Rockhampton

When: Saturday 13 June, 2:00pm to 4:30pm

Who: Girls Aged 5 to 9, 10 to 15.

If you would like to try your hand (or foot) at Football, come down to Norbridge Park and try out the World Game!

Football is a game for Everyone!

For more details about the Come & Try Sessions, contact Football Central Queensland on 4922 4470.

The Queensland Government has provided $4,950.00 to Football Central Queensland to The Get Going, Girls Come & Try Program in 2015, to increase Queenslanders participation in sport and recreation activities.