Principal's News

While I am always proud to see so many of our children performing at their best each day at school, from time to time I also have the privilege of seeing their outstanding efforts outside of the school gates. In recent weeks I have enjoyed numerous such occasions. Congratulations must be given to our musicians who performed at a community concert with a visiting band, to the students who contributed to the Arts Festival (Writing and Art competitions, Calico on the Catwalk and Youth Showcase), those who played in football finals and those who even won football finals. I am certain there are others which I didn’t see or learn about as well. All of the students which I did see, certainly contributed greatly to the outstanding reputation of our school both for their accomplishments and effort.

Tour de Cure
Families should have received a note about a special visit our school is expecting on Wednesday 10 September. This Wednesday at 2:30pm the Tour de Cure team will be presenting their BE FIT, BE HEALTHY & BE HAPPY show when their cyclists will arrive for a meet and greet with families. All families are invited to enjoy this presentation and are welcome to meet the team over afternoon tea after school. Students are asked to provide a gold coin donation to contribute to the team’s fundraising efforts for local Cancer support. Children attending the afternoon tea must be accompanied by an adult.

Golf Day Fundraiser
Each year Furniture Court hosts a golf day and donates the proceeds to a local charity or organisation. This year the team at Furniture Court have chosen our school as the benefactors of their event. The donated funds will be used to contribute towards installing a projector screen and ventilation fans in the hall for the impending Summer. To support this event we are looking for golfers to play on the day (no need to be a member or handicapped player) and volunteers to cook and sell sausages or drive the drinks cart. If you wish to play please contact the golf club on 5463 1470. If you wish to volunteer for an hour or more please contact Katrina Henderson on 0438 119 745. A raffle has also been established to raise funds for the school. Tickets can be purchased on the day, at Furniture Court or the school office for $1. The prizes will be drawn at the golf day and include an office chair ($649), timber blanket box ($399) and 3 bottles of wine.

Pizza Parties
Students who have earned 35 Boonah Boosts and students who have 100% attendance this term will receive their invitations this week for our pizza party in second break on Thursday. We have so many students with 35 boosts that we will need to have 2 xbox kinct sessions (or I might not get a turn).

Under 8’s Day
Our Under 8’s students will have received a note this week with details of this year’s Under 8’s celebration. This year it will be held at Kalbar State School on Wednesday 17 September. As always parents will need to make arrangements for their children to be supervised by an adult as our teachers will be running the activities. Parents are welcome to take their child home from the Under 8’s day celebration. If your child needs to return to school, they will need to be dropped back after 1:30pm as the teachers won’t return from packing up until then.

Soccer/Netball Gala Day
Students in years 3-7 will receive a note this week about the soccer/netball gala day which is traditionally held on the last day of term 3. All students are expected to attend this day as teachers are there refereeing and supervising. Students who are missing the gala day due to behaviour are the only students in years 4-7 expected to be at school on this day and will join a younger class. Our P&C will once again be running the canteen for this day. This is a significant fundraiser for the day so many helpers will be needed. Please speak to the tuckshop team if you can help.

Happy Holidays
I would like to wish all of our families a safe, refreshing and happy Spring holiday. I hope it is filled with quality family
time and provides opportunities to challenge the normal routine and to connect with friends. Please note that term 4 starts on TUESDAY 7 October (Monday 6 October is a public holiday).

**Staffing News**

After a comprehensive selection process a replacement has finally been found for Ms Anne Reardon in our Head of Curriculum position. Mr Damien Butler will be our Acting Head of Curriculum in term 4 and a quality replacement teacher is being sought for our 3/4 class for this time. As Damien is away over the next 2 weeks coaching the QLD Primary Schools Football team in Bendigo, Mr Nic Comino will be our Acting Head of Curriculum for this time with a teacher replacing Nic on the 6/7C class. We wish both of these teachers the best as they build their capacity and the capacity of the school with the unenviable task of filling the gaping hole left by Ms Reardon’s absence.

**Leaving the School Grounds**

Once a student has arrived at school in the morning, they are not to leave the school grounds until dismissed, unless permission is sought by a parent or caregiver. If students leave school early due to sickness or appointments etc parents/caregivers need to use the sign-out register located in the school office.

Mark Winrow
Principal

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**Keep a watch on our school these holidays**

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please call School Watch on 13 17 88.

The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education, Training and Employment, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter. Keep the number handy—13 17 88—and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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**BOONAH BRILLIANCE - STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

- Safe
- Responsible
- Respectful
- An Active Learner

B.J. - B.J.’s hard work has resulted in moving up a level in reading. Well Done B.J.!
Dakotah – For achieving her best in behaviour this week.
Darcy – For always working to the best of his ability.
Elijah – This week Elijah has been organised for learning and has been a role model for his peers.
Georgia – Producing an excellent piece of narrative writing.
Harry – For doing his Boonah Best all the time.
Kasey – For being a save, responsible respectful and active learner in class.
Keely – Continuously working hard during Maths groups
Lily – For working to the best of her ability during literacy Rotations
Luke – Always showing his Boonah Best during Maths groups
Makayla – This week Makayla has worked hard to be her best in behaviour and learning.
Nardia – Nardia has worked hard.
Nathan – For putting in his best efforts in every learning task.
Noah – For always writing interesting and descriptive sentences during rainbow writing, using all learnt colours.
Rosemary – Rosemary continually shows Boonah Brilliance by being a responsible, respectful, safe and active learner.
Ruby – Ruby is always a respectful and responsible member of our class and is to be congratulated.
Storm – For doing his Boonah Best all the time.
Summer – Summer has shown great improvement in her work during all lessons. Well done Summer!
(Name withheld) – This week, this student is awarded a Boonah Brilliance for making a big improvement with his handwriting this week
(Name withheld) – Working hard at improving his handwriting skills
(Name withheld) – For settling in so well this week and doing her best in all areas.

Beaucare Family Support Program
The Family Support Program provides a confidential counselling and support service to parents and care providers of children under the age of 18.

Beaucare will be providing a Family Support Worker to attend Boonah State School weekly on a Monday from 8:00am until 4:00pm. This is a free and confidential service and will begin on Monday the 18th of August. Please call or email for enquiries or feel free to drop in. PH: 5541 4216 Mobile: 0419 021 867 Email fsw@beaucare.org.au.

CHAPLAIN’S NEWS
Hello again!!

Dispelling the Chaplaincy Myths – From SU QLD
In the wake of the second High Court hearing on school chaplaincy funding, there have been a lot of uninformed comments flying around about what chaplains actually do.

Below are some of the most common questions SU has heard about school chaplaincy – and some real facts!

- Hasn’t the High Court stopped school chaplaincy?
  No. In 2012, the High Court ruled unanimously that there is no constitutional problem with chaplains serving in government schools.
  The 2014 High Court decision was only about the funding model – whether federal funds can be paid directly to chaplaincy providers, or whether the funding should be through state/territory grants. This was acknowledged by the High Court in 2012 and 2014.

- Are school chaplains qualified?
  Yes. All SU QLD chaplains hold a minimum Certificate IV in youth Work and also hold, or are working towards, a Diploma Youth Work, or hold a higher qualification in a relevant field (e.g. Education, Social Work, Counselling, Psychology).

- How can a chaplain support students with issues of sexuality, drug use or pregnancy?
  School chaplains support many students with these issues. The school chaplaincy role is about being caring, supportive and non-judgmental. Chaplains are there to help practically, not condemn. That is part of the binding national code of conduct – with serious disciplinary consequences if it is contravened.

- I thought no-one wanted school chaplaincy
  There have been two university studies, in 2009 and 2012, which demonstrate that schools overwhelmingly value the role their school chaplains perform. In the 2012 study, among school staff (including principals and teachers):
    - 82 per cent indicated that the social and emotional support provided by school chaplains to students had a considerable positive impact
    - 83 per cent indicated that school chaplains helped to build up students’ confidence to a considerable extent
    - 81 per cent concluded that students who were experiencing grief and loss or facing relationship difficulties were helped

Check out all the facts by visiting www.suqld.org.au/myths - and thank you for your wonderful support!

As always, if you see me around, be sure to stop for a chat.

Renee Lumley

P&C GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday 17th September 7pm
Venue: Uniform Shop
All Welcome

FUNDRAISING UPDATE
UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS
Tuesday 2:45pm to 3:15pm
Thursday 8:30am to 9:00am
Alternatively please feel free to contact me 0408 071 007 to arrange a time that suits.

Gemma Gordon, Uniform Convenor

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BOONAH STATE HIGH SCHOOL NEWS
Thank you to those parents and their children who attended Enrolment Meetings on the 27th August. The information you provided is invaluable to those of us who are involved in planning to meet the individual learning needs of each student. We are eagerly looking forward to Orientation Day on Thursday 4th December when we expect all future Year 7 and Year 8 students to attend our school for the day.

If any parent has yet to complete the necessary paperwork to effect enrolment for high school you are encouraged to do so as soon as possible.

Kind regards
Sandra Malmstedt
Deputy Principal Junior Secondary

Please note: Parents of future students in Year 7 & 8 in 2015. The Boonah SHS Uniform shop will be open in September from 3.00pm to 5.00pm each afternoon as follows: Monday 8th, Thursday 11th, Monday 15th, Thursday 18th.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SPORTS TUITION
23-25 September 2014
School Holiday Survivor Camp for 8-13 year olds ($210)
• Bus service also available ($55)
• Activities include: fishing in electric powered boats, canoeing, rock climbing, archery and open fire cooking.
• Location: Maroon Dam.
Also, the following activities may also be of interest...
17-19 October 2014
Family Fishing Weekend ($215)
• Open to all. At least one parent must participate. Grandparents also welcome.
14-16 November 2014
Bluefin Lake Maroon Fishing Classic (Senior $30, Junior $15)
• Over $55,000 in prizes.
• Every junior entrant receives a sample bag...approx $90 value).
All details and registrations are through the Sports Tuition website. www.sportstuition.com.au

ART CLASSES FOR CHILDREN IN IPSWICH
New drawing class for upper primary ages
Exciting news: Arts Alive has developed a new class for grades 5-7 to be held on Wed afternoons in term 4, 3.30-5.00.
It is called FOCUS ON DRAWING and that is exactly what it is.
It will develop strong classic drawing skills and prepare students for high school art studies.
Class size is limited to ensure personal tuition.
Contact info@artsalivecom.au for more info.

Boonah Amateur Swimming Club
THURSDAY NIGHT SWIMMING CLUB
2014-2015 new season sign on

When
Sign on 9th October at the Boonah Pool. Registration forms are available from the Boonah Pool.

Where
Boonah Community Aquatic Centre

Time
6.00pm

Program
9th October Free Swim
• Information & Nominations
• Free Sausage Sizzle

Cost
• Swimmer Membership $65 each
• Sliding Family Membership Scale
  • $55 for the 3rd child
  • $45 for the 4th child & over

New FREE 7 and Under Program
Swimming Queensland and Boonah Barracudas are offering FREE memberships to children 7 years and under.
¾ pool swins for those children not yet confident to do 25m swims.
Membership and Coaching Packages also available for those using Get Started Vouchers.


For more information contact
• Greg Schumacher 0408157707
• Richard Brandon 0400612684
• Sandra Gabriel 54632131/0427158103
• Kate Bennie 0411 100 568

All welcome – from novice to senior swimmers.

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Ipswich Civic Centre
Cnr Limestone and Nicholas Streets
Ipswich Qld 4305

Friday 5 September 2014

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOP PROGRAM

CHILDREN AT WAR

Dear Parent

I am writing to you with details of a very special workshop program being undertaken by the Ipswich City Council in the forthcoming September school holidays at Studio 188, 188 Brisbane Street, Ipswich between Monday, 29 September and Friday, 3 October 2014 from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm each day with a short break for lunch.

The workshop project is entitled Children at War and participants will examine the contribution and experiences of young people of their own age one hundred years ago during World War One. Students will develop and enhance their knowledge and understanding of the Great War in this centenary year, as well as having the opportunity to develop specific performance skills such as ensemble work, physical theatre and vocal skills. Original World War One songs and poems will be incorporated into the workshop program and a short presentation of the progressed work will be performed for parents and friends on the final Friday afternoon.

This workshop program is designed to appeal to all students aged between 6 and 14 years and is relevant to so much of what they will be studying this year. It will be undertaken by Brenna Lee-Cooney, who is well known in Ipswich for her work as a theatre director, writer, composer and teacher. For many years she has directed Fractal Theatre Company as well as running a successful Fractal Youth Theatre, producing a range of original music and theatre projects for young people. She will be joined by renowned artist, Imogen Gilfedder-Cooney, composer, musician and actor. A recent graduate of the Qld Conservatorium of Music, majoring in violin performance, Imogen is currently studying her masters at the Australian National Academy of Music in Melbourne. During her time at QCM Imogen won the Paganini Prize, the QCM Post Graduate Scholarship and the 4MBS Chamber Music Prize.

Children will work in 2 age groups from 6 to 10 years of age and from 11 to 14 years of age. The workshops will develop performance skills in acting, singing, and movement. They will focus on chorus development utilising mime, elements of Noh and Butoh for older students, body percussion and vocal ‘percussion’ to express the sounds. The workshops will explore the experiences and stories of children both at war as under-age soldiers and those left at home, fatherless, brotherless and often motherless, as their mothers joined the work-force to support the war effort. Some students will be given a few individual lines to learn, however the majority of text will be chorus driven. Some students will be chosen to narrate sections, thus linking the sequences together into a montage of connecting vignettes. For more information please visit our website: Children’s Workshop

Numbers are limited and ALL participants will need to commit for the whole week of workshops, Monday to Friday inclusive, at a cost of only $100.00 for the whole week. Further enquiries and bookings can be made by contacting Megan McCormick on 07 3810 7763 or by email on MMcCormick@ipswich.qld.gov.au

With kind regards

Suzannah Conway
Civic Centre and Performing Arts Manager
BOONAH FUTSAL COMPETITION
Fun, Fitness, Friendships

“SIGN – ON”

- Monday 1st Sept and Monday 8th Sept @ the Boonah Sports Complex 3:30pm-6:00pm
- Age Groups: 9-11 year olds Mixed, 12-14 year olds Mixed, Open 15 years old + Mixed (A and B Divisions)
- Junior’s have Individual Sign-On (Team placements-Max of 2 Players will be accepted) - $70 - Includes 2 Shirts
- Open’s have Individual or Team Sign-On (Min of 8 Players – Min of 3 Females) - $100
- NO EFTPOS cash only at sign on. Bank Transfer option is available, more info at sign on. Players must be financial before they can play. Nominations accepted for:
  - Zone Representative Players
  - Referees
  - Team Contacts

* All Inquiries Contact: Rebecca Nykvist @ bec15_2@hotmail.com or Korin Worley @ 0430 504 949

C&K Boonah District Kindergarten
Our waiting lists are currently open!
For children born 1 July 2010 - 30 June 2011 for 2015 kindergarten year
For children born 1 July 2011 - 30 June 2012 for 2016 kindergarten year

Please contact us on 5463 5878 for an enrolment package today

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