Principal’s News
Winter may finally be crawling its way in on the back of this morning’s gentle breeze. While for most of us this means it is even more difficult to rise out of bed and face the day, I am pleased that the children I speak to are still very motivated to get to school and soak up the new knowledge and skills their teachers are gifting them everyday. At the moment many are very keen to show their teachers these gifts through end of semester assessments. With these assessments occurring, it is more important than ever that children arrive at school on time every day so they don’t miss assessment opportunities.

Athletics
Due to a date change at the high school we have had to change our Athletics Carnival Date. Our Athletics Carnival will now be held on Thursday afternoon 31 July at the high school and Friday 1 August all day at our school oval. I apologise for any inconvenience caused but the change was beyond our control. I hope we still see many families at this day as our children are practicing their track and field skills in preparation for performing to their personal best.

This year we will also hold a P-3 Tabloid Sports Mini-Carnival on Tuesday 29 July from 2-3pm so our youngest learners can have a go at events which mirror the skills required in our field events for the older students. This will be a non-competitive event but parents are still encouraged to come along and cheer their children.

NEiTA
The 2014 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards (NEiTA) are now open. Last year 5 of our teachers were honoured with a nomination for these prestigious awards. The teachers were all extremely proud and humbled by their nomination because it was recognition by members of our immediate community for the work they willingly do everyday.

If you would like to nominate a teacher for these awards you can either visit http://www.asg.com.au/nominations or you can get a nomination form from the school office. I encourage everyone to consider nominating their child’s teacher because I firmly believe we have inspirational teachers in all areas of our school. Teachers can be nominated more than once.

Afternoon Pick-Up
There have been some issues lately regarding the collection of children after school. To ensure the safety of our children and families I would like to remind everyone of 2 of our expectations:

- Children are to wait safely inside the school fence until their parent/carer’s car has stopped before walking out the gate to the car (no running near the carpark area)
- Report to the office if your parent/carer is late collecting you so we can call and make arrangements

Lockdown Drill
Last week we practiced our Lockdown procedures. I am very pleased to say that all students and staff (and even contractors) responded appropriately. I am confident that if an event ever arose where we needed to perform a lockdown we would all be very safe.

Rocket Club
I am very excited to announce that our school will be entering 2 junior and 2 senior teams into the Australasian Youth Rocketry Challenge. Our P-3 Junior teams will build and launch a simple fuel-powered rocket, one of our 4-7 teams will be building and launching a more complex rocket and our other 4-7 team will build and launch a rocket which will carry and return an egg safely to ground. They will be spending time over the next few weeks learning about the science of rocketry, building, testing and reevaluating their designs. Yes this is “rocket science” and even our youngest learners are involved.

Prep 2015
Prep enrolment packs are now available for 2015 enrolments. If you have a child attending our Prep program next year please collect and return your enrolment pack soon to book a place in our Prep program. If you have friends, family or neighbours wishing to join us next year please encourage them to collect a pack or contact the school so we can send a pack to them.

Band Fanfare
2 weeks ago our school band performed at Fanfare and were awarded a Bronze medal. We are extremely proud of our band program, led by Mr Francis and congratulate them on their bronze medal winning performance. I am especially proud because it has since been reported to me that our children demonstrated exemplary behaviour and manners which was applauded by band masters from many other schools.

3/4, 4/5 and 5 Colonial Day Excursion
Recently, our students in 3/4, 4/5 and 5 travelled to Kalbar to participate in a Colonial Day to enhance their History Unit. They had the opportunity to wear a colonial costume and witness the re-enactment of historical events and common occurrences which have shaped our country, like the trial of a convict for stealing damp and witness the reenactment of a court case. Our students were extremely proud because it has since been reported to me that our children demonstrated exemplary behaviour and manners which was applauded by band masters from many other schools.

Uniform
As the cold weather rolls in so does the need to wear jumpers and long pants. Parents are reminded that we are a uniform school and our dress code details our winter uniform. Students can only wear either school or plain, dark coloured jumpers and navy pants. I also encourage parents to ensure ALL items are NAMED. Children often shed their layers during the day and, like at home no doubt, drop their layers wherever they are. If these items are named we can return them to the owner.

Mark Winrow
Principal
I will also be handing out a colouring competition which will be judged on the day. Completed pictures must be returned to me by Wed 18th June at the latest. Any pictures submitted after that date will not be eligible for submission into the competition.

Queensland Father of the Year

SU QLD is proud to work with RSL Queensland to once again host the Queensland Father of the Year (QFOTY) awards. The goal of QFOTY is to honour and celebrate the importance of fathers and father-figures throughout our state.

The Father of the Year will win for himself and his family (2 adults and up to 5 children) a five night holiday at Sea World Resort and Water Park and unlimited entry until June 2015 to the Gold Coast’s Favourite Theme Parks! The person who nominates him will win an iPad Mini.

Essential Information:
The event website www.qldfatheroftheyear.org.au will give you a lot more information. However, below, is a brief overview:

- Nominations close on Friday, 18th July and can be made online at the event website or by downloading the nomination form and posting it in. Alternatively, you can see me for a form and I can post it in for you.
- A regional Father of the Year will be selected from these seven regions: Gold Coast & Logan; Metro North; Metro South (this is us); Sunshine Coast and Wide Bay; Western Qld; Central Qld; and North Qld and announced in late August at a small regional gathering.
- One of the regional fathers will be named ‘Queensland Father of the Year’ for 2014 at the QFOTY official Announcement Function on Wednesday, September 3, held at Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre.

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

Renee Lumley

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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SAFETY, RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND ACTIVE LEARNING.

BOONAH BRILLIANCE - STUDENT OF THE WEEK

- Safe
- Responsible
- Respectful
- An Active Learner

Ben – For following all safety expectations and being responsible during the making of our scarecrows.
Caitlin – For doing some fantastic writing
Cassie – For participating and displaying excellent behaviour during the Colonial Day Show.
Cole – Cole has raised the bar and is working to his potential. Keep it up!
Daniel – For always having a go and contributing to class discussions
Declan – An awesome speller!
Gina – Working to the best of her ability during literacy rotations.
Gus – This week Gus has showed Boonah Brilliance in all areas of his school work.
Harry – doing some great reading this week
Hayley – for improvement in writing a character description
Hayley – Great work this week in maths – especially with fractions.
Isabelle – For writing some interesting sentences
Jada – for showing persistence and trying her Boonah Best during assessment tasks
Karma – Karma has been trying her best to complete all her work to a high standard. Well Done Karma!
Mitchell – Mitchell has been using his best listening skills and is to be congratulated. Well Done Mitch!
Nate – Nate is to be congratulated for knowing his first 20 sight words. Well Done Nate!
Sajid – Excellent effort and application towards this week’s homework. Keep it up!
Tahlia – Tahlia has blossomed and is becoming more involved within the classroom.
Zander – for participation and outstanding behaviour during the Colonial Day Show.
Zander – Displaying improved mathematical skills and knowledge.
Name withheld – for being a responsible and respectful student who tries his best all the time.
Name withheld – For improvement in reading and recognising the sounds letters make.
Name withheld – For showing persistence during all of her given tasks
Name withheld – An awesome speller!
Name withheld – This student always does his Boonah Best. This week this student has been a great whole body listener.

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Hello again!!

The Raising of Ruins Festival
Kick off the holidays with this festival of good news and hope and help raise money for School Chaplaincy, Farmers in Need, Destiny Rescue and JC Epidemic.

Date: Saturday, 28th June 2014
Time: 10am – 6.30pm
Entry: $10 per person / $25 per family
Where: Harvest Point Christian Outreach Centre, Walker Road, Gleneagle

JC Epidemic Motor Cross display; MNB Hip Hop Dancers; Bands; Fire Twirlers; Pony Rides; Lego Display; Face Painting; Balloons; Markets; Food and more!

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

Renee Lumley
P&C
P&C GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday 18th June 7pm
Venue: Uniform Shop
All Welcome

UNIFORM SHOP
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

COMMUNITY NEWS
FOR SALE
Original Beale Paten Walnut drawing room semi grand upright piano for sale, it is approx. 50-60 years old, and is in a very good condition. Made in Australia. On Castors. Stool included. Ph 0439 559 009 or email tarnekp@hotmail.com

PRO PERFORMANCE TENNIS
We are providing Tennis services in Boonah for all ages and standards. Come and have a free trial lesson. Introducing Cardio tennis for adults- A fun and exciting way to work out.
Junior coaching- we commit to self development and strive to reach full potential of each player while having a lot of fun in the process.
Boonah Tennis centre, Elizabeth Terrace- Tuesday afternoons.
For all enquires call/text Paul - 0401 942 703