

TERM 2 WEEK 3

From the Principal

STUDENT COUNCIL FUNDRAISER

Chocolates and a letter will be sent home today. Chocolates due back by Monday 12th May. If you need more to sell, return your box and collect additional chocolates from the office. All money to be returned to the office sealed in an envelope or bag and dropped in the cash collection tin.

YEAR 3/5/7 TESTING

National testing for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9

On 13, 14 and 15 May more than 200 000 students across Queensland will take part in the first national literacy and numeracy tests.

The tests will see all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sitting the same tests as their interstate counterparts, replacing the previous state-based tests.

It is also the first time Queensland Year 9 students are involved in the testing.

The test results will provide useful information about how all state and non-state school students are performing in literacy and numeracy at their year level in comparison to their peers across Australia.

The literacy assessment will focus on areas of reading, writing, spelling, punctuation and grammar while the numeracy testing will cover measurement, chance and data, space, working mathematically, algebra function and pattern.

Results from the tests will be used for reports to parents, school reporting to their communities, and reporting by states and territories to form a national overview.

The tests will also help teachers identify key areas for learning during the rest of the school year.

While it's important that students perform at their best, it's also important that students are not unduly stressed. Here are some general tips for beating test nerves:

- Get at least eight hours sleep
- Take time out from test preparation to do something relaxing and enjoyable
- Exercise and eat healthy meals regularly
- Develop a time management plan for studying
- Ask an older sibling or friend who has been through tests to give some tips on how to study
- If feeling anxious, take a few moments to breathe deeply.

For more information on the national testing, visit www.qsa.qld.edu.au

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR TERM 2

This term the following activities are being organised for Active After School. Activities will begin this week. A reminder that children need to have a healthy snack before hand. We encourage parents to pack a piece of fruit for children to quickly eat beforehand.

Monday's 2:40pm – 3:40pm Multi-skill
Friday's 2:40pm – 3:40pm Gymnastics

We still have a few vacancies left.

CWA INTERNATIONAL DAY

An invitation to the parents to come down to the CWA Cottage – Shed behind on Wednesday 7th May from 9 – 12noon to look at the children's

work on display. Drop in or stay for Morning Tea and a mini cent sale.

Our children have worked over the past weeks on Mongolia as this years CWA competition. Come along and look at some of their work.

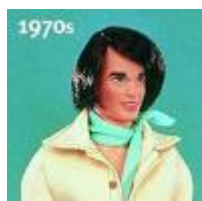
SCHOOL DISCO – Friday 16th May

Our disco will be held on **Friday 16th May**. Put it in your diaries and start to get your clothes ready.

The theme is: 70's

Prep – Year 3 5pm – 7pm
Year 4 – Year 7 7pm – 9pm

Get out those ABBA records, disco diva fashions. Google search for images: 1970's disco diva, fros, big sunnies (goggle style), boots, hippie, the list is endless.



ANZAC DAY MARCH

Thanks to the children and families who marched on Friday at the Seaforth RSL's ANZAC march. This was the biggest turn out we have had and obviously we will need to rehearse the marching before the 2009 ceremony. Thanks again for the big turn out.

SPORTS DAY – Thursday 29th May

This year sports day will happen over Tuesday 27th May and Thursday 29th May. The main day being the Thursday. Please add this to your diaries also and the term calendar.

Regards, Rebekkah

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Class	Name	For
Prep		
1/2	Gypsee Russell	Her enthusiasm while researching animals
3	Brianna Gierke	Continuing to work to the best of her ability
4/5	Eve Murray	A great effort in her kite folio
5/6	Shaquille Yule	An entertaining speaking presentation (reading a picture book to the class)
6/7	Craig Leembruggen	A noticeable improvement in his classroom behaviour

WAKAKIRRI

Wakakirri practice starts this week. You choose to attend either Tuesday or Friday 2:45 to 3:45. Bring a snack. Permission forms and money to be handed to office by Friday this week.

WANTED URGENT

Large cardboard boxes are urgently needed by Sandy. Could you please deliver to the school.

Rugby League Update.

Last week's game saw Seaforth take on Mackay West at the Junior League grounds. West's poor handling early on handed our team plenty of field position and it was not long before Ashten crashed over for a try. The try went unconverted and we led 4-nil. With Aaron and Boone directing the team around well and with strong runs from Jack S, Ashten, Brady and Bailey, Tim cleverly ducked around from dummy half to score his first try of the season. Again the try was unconverted and we led 8-nil. West hit back not long after to score a neat try to take the score to 8-4. Ashten then charged down the field and scored his second try of the day to make the scores 12-4. West to their credit hit back late in the first half with 2 quick tries to level the scores at 12-all.

The second half was dominated by desperate defence from both sides. Craig was tackling

beautifully and Boone's dogged defence from marker was giving the opposition head aches. James and Alastair were equally as strong in the centres with their defence and Zac played his best game yet. Tim pulled off a tremendous try saving tackle late in the game which managed to keep the scores level. Jack W had some great runs from fullback. Brett, Taylor and Dan were getting themselves involved too. With neither side able to crack the defence the game finished a 12-all draw. Our team played with tremendous team spirit and good sportsmanship.

Well done.

Thanks to Caroline for washing the jerseys. Our next game is on field 2 at 4:30pm at MJRL.

Cheers Sam

P & C NOTICES

P & C Uniforms: Skorts, mesh shorts & rugby knit shorts now available – shop open Monday & Friday mornings.

Uniforms are ready for collection should any parents still require them for their children.

Tuckshop: Caroline Roberts, Debbie Curry, Jeanne Gierke

Ice Blocks and Chips – CC's and French Fries only.

If there are any ladies willing to work in tuckshop this term please ring Hayley on 4959 0038

There are still car raffle tickets outstanding. Could you please return all sold and unsold tickets to the office this week.

HOOKS FOR SALE

8 x 2nd year layers. \$5 each. Phone Leanne 49590033 or 0429497031.