

TERM 3 WEEK 5

From the Principal

PUPIL FREE DAY – Monday 17th August

Just a reminder that **Monday 17th August** is the Northern Highway **Ministerial Pupil Free Day**. There will be no school on this day. All teachers, aides and Principals on the Northern Highway will be at Day 2 of the Language and Literacy Course (Grammar). School will resume on Tuesday 18th August.

Building the Education Revolution (BER) CONSTRUCTION

Last week saw the temporary fencing erected for our new library. An initial start up meeting will be held on Wednesday to discuss the project and finalise scope of work etc. There is restricted access to the site due to large machinery that will be being used in the coming months as part of demolition and construction. The old toilet block/sports shed will be demolished along with the lawn locker. It is hoped for the library to be open for the beginning of the 2010 school year.

The new building will be linked to the undercover links near the Art Shed and will include a seminar and multi-media room.

This work is all part of the Building the Educational Revolution as part of the National Government's Economic Stimulus Package. Further details are available by visiting <http://education.qld.gov.au/infrastructure/strategy/bur/index.html>

TENDERS

Tenders are being called for:

1. Roof Sheeting (5 years old) from old Sports Shed
2. Lawn Locker (8 years old approximately) from old Lawn Locker
3. Incinerator (age unknown)

If you are interested in putting in a tender, please complete the following and have it received by Admin by Tuesday 18th August 2009.

You will need to include: Your name, item tendering for, highest amount to be paid, phone contact.

All tenders will be assessed and awarded to highest amount offered. Successful tender will be notified on Monday 24th August. Collection of items will need to be negotiated with Principal.

Celebrate Children's Week

National Children's Week from 24 October to 1 November is a great opportunity to celebrate our children, their achievements and the contribution they make to our school and community.

The week-long festivities, coordinated by the Queensland Children's Week Association, aim to bring children and adults together to celebrate this year's theme "A caring world shares".

Organisations such as child care centres, kindergartens, playgroups, neighbourhood organisations and community groups are encouraged to host their own activities and events to celebrate the week.

There a number of great activity ideas on the Queensland Children's Week Association website for those parents and carers who want to get involved.

Posters, stickers and balloons to help organisations celebrate and publicise their events are also available by ordering online.

Organisations can register planned events and activities for publication in the Children's Week 2009 program booklet. Registrations close on Friday 28 August.

For more information or to register your event contact Leigh Shenfield on phone: (07) 3269 8648, mobile: 0408 698 648 or email: leigh_shenfield@childrensweek.com.au or visit the Children's Week website at: www.childrensweek.com.au

You will need to watch this space to see how Seaforth State School will be celebrating this event.

YEAR 6/7 RESTAURANT

Good luck to the Year 6/7 students for their Theatre Restaurant that will be running over Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. A great deal of work has happened to make this a professional experience for all involved. Can't wait for the Madagascan experience!

UNIFORMS

A reminder that the school jumper is a blue jumper. We have a multitude of blue jumpers that we will be offering students who insist on wearing multi-coloured jumpers. I understand that a number of year 7 parents consider it a waste to purchase a new jumper so late in the year but consider purchasing a high school jumper especially North, Mirani and Holy Spirit are all blue jumpers. These are fine.

The same is with skirts/shorts/etc, blue is the colour.

One of the main reasons that our P & C has adopted a strict uniform policy is to assist your child stay safe at school. It is very easy to see someone unfamiliar when they are on our school grounds, as they don't have the school uniform on.

In addition, when quicksilver, billabong jumpers are brought to school (averaging \$80 per item), they are more likely to go missing!

NEXT P & C MEETING

We have the Ministerial Pupil Free Day booked as our next P&C Meeting. Please be advised that this will now be on Monday 24th August 2009 at 9am in the Staff Room. Mrs Tonimaree Brown (Principal while I'm on leave) will join us for this meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS/CHANGES

Monday 10th August	Mrs Atkins away as part of the coaching team with National Baton Twirling Competition in Sydney.
Monday 17th August	Ministerial Day Holiday All staff (teachers and aides) will be at Day 2 of Language and Literacy Course.

Wednesday 19th August	Rebekkah to change work day from Wednesday to Thursday 20/8.
Thursday 20th August	SEAT visit – Spinal Education Awareness Team – Gold Coin Donation
Monday 24th August	P & C Meeting 9am in the Staff Room

Have a great week

Rebekkah

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

<i>Class</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>For</i>
<i>Prep/1</i>	Jason Tuku-Togo	His fantastic effort during art activities
<i>1/2</i>	Connor Staples	Making a greater effort to complete his work
<i>3/4</i>	Douglas Farquhar	Improved effort with his writing
<i>4/5</i>	The whole of Year 4/5	Being being terrific wonder totally AWESOME
<i>5/6</i>	Megan Little	Having the courage to be herself
<i>6/7</i>	Tori Kilgour	Actively participating in classroom activities

Worm Farm

Worm juice can still be purchased any time, \$1 for 1 litre, from Mrs Atkins. Remember, no onion, no citrus, no meat. Thanks!!!

Class this week is 5/6



MUSIC CORNER 10.8.09

Well it is great to see students improving all the time and being rewarded by being able to read and play music. To make it even more rewarding for these students each week there will be students who will not have to complete homework for the following week. This week's hardworking students were year 4/5 Isabella Sullivan, Tyson Yule and Kayne Zammit. Year 5/6 Corey Fulcher and Maddy Gierke Year 6/7 Rachael Lennox and Tyrell Mason. Well done guys and enjoy your break for the week. I look forward to seeing who will be the best in the class next week!

Yours Mrs Stablum

SEAT VISIT – Gold Coin Donation

Spinal Education Awareness Team (SEAT Visit). Each year we are fortunate to have a member of the SEAT team come out and visit our school. This year they will be here on **Thursday 20th August** to discuss ways that we can keep ourselves safe and avoid spinal injuries.

P & C NOTICES
TUCKSHOP

All we ask is for a gold coin donation for the program. Children can bring this prior to the presentation or on the day.

SEAT

The Spinal Education Awareness Team (SEAT) has more than 20 years of experience in sharing injury prevention messages with school children. Our goal is to reduce the incidence of spinal cord injuries in Queensland.

On average, one person sustains a spinal cord injury every four days in Queensland – around 90 people each year.

The highest risk age group is between 15 and 30 years of age. Road trauma continues to be the number one cause of spinal cord injuries, followed by falls/crashes and water-based accidents. Coinciding with the success of the SEAT program, the number of spinal cord injuries in Queensland has been reducing. Prevention is the only cure for a spinal cord injury.



BOOKFAIR

Having had a sneak preview of the Bookfair books I have to say that this is the best one by far...

The books are absolutely gorgeous and the majority of them are new titles. The prices on the books are very reasonable but for those of you out there who are doing it tough in these economic times I do have a specials table. With prices starting from \$1.00 and going up to \$6.00 you can purchase books and activity packs, heaps of pens, pencils, rubbers and knickknacks. There is a mature read section with some true stories and a whole range of kindy/prep books. So please tell your neighbours and invite them along to have a look, Christmas is not that far away and you can't go wrong giving a book. Also at the end of the bookfair the school receives 30% of the total amount sold in free books for our library and all the students' benefit from that.

Hope to see you there.....

Sue

PREMIER READING CHALLENGE

You only have 3 weeks to go till The Premier Reading Challenge is finalised. Remember you only have to read 20 books to receive a certificate from the Premier. All reading logs are to be handed in no later than 21st August. Any queries please see Mrs Usher.

STUDENT RECORDS

Last Thursday the office sent home Student Personal Details to be checked. Due to the school attempting to phone some parents over the last month only to find school records are not correct makes it very difficult in an emergency. Could these forms be sent back to the school this week with or without amendments.

Tuckshop helpers: Kelli Selwood

We are getting a lot of foreign coins, could you please check money given to tuckshop as the Bank will only accept Australian money.

There are some price changes and new food items this term so please check new menu.

Mango OKF Drinks \$1.00

Fruit Tingle Playwater is available this term.

Could you please ensure that your children's tuckshop order has their proper class room number and also note if the order is for 1st or 2nd break. As the tuckshop is run by volunteers, not all are familiar as to what child is in what class. It would help save some time. Thanking you in anticipation of your support.

The next P & C meeting will be held on Monday 24th August, 2009 at 9.00am. All welcome.

Uniform Prices

There has been an increase in some of the costs.

Shirts \$25.00 each

Hats \$11.00 each

Heavy Duty Chair Bags \$10.00 each

Pencil Cases \$7.00 each

PRIMARY SCHOOL TEAMS TENNIS
COMPETITION

On Sunday 9th August with a team of (4) Montana & Alessandra Byrne, Lachlan Farquhar from Seaforth State School and Clelsea Manning from Pindi Pindi played in the above competition. There were 29 teams competing.

The Seaforth Pindi Team played against (5) schools on the day. We won (4) of our matches and was very unlucky to loose by (1) game only to a large school, Fitzgerald A, who went onto win Champion School. Fitzgerald A was seeded in the top 4 of the schools.

Congratulations to Seaforth Pindi who won the shield for Champion Country School. They finished in 5th place from 29 teams. This is a huge achievement from a smaller school, as the schools who finished in the top 4 were the 4 seeded schools, Fitzgerald A, won Champion School, Mackay West A finished 2nd, Proserpine A finished third and Bucasia finished 4th.

Go Seaforth!

PUBLIC NOTICES

Brothers Junior Cricket Club Inc.

Sign On

Friday, 14th August between 3.30pm and 5.00pm
at Mercy College Hall, Penn Street.

Registration Fee New Player \$70.00 (inc. shirt)

Returning Players \$60.00

Further Details Lee-Anne 0429 595 228/4959 5228