Our School Vision: “That everyone is treated with respect and dignity, allowing them to participate in an environment where they feel safe, supported and valued.”

2015 School Priorities: Expand and improve student vocabulary, Explicitly teach Inferential Comprehension Skills and Explicitly teach the Literacy of Numeracy

Sporting Schools

Last year our school was a part of the Active After School Communities program, however due the May 2014 Budget this program concluded on 31st December 2015 and has now been replaced with the new Sporting Schools initiative. Our school has been successful in receiving the Term 2 grant for this program. The program is run over seven weeks with two sessions per week just as it has in previous years. Although it is short notice, and we do apologise this program will commence tomorrow afternoon, Wednesday 13th May with Miss Carseldine conducting Athletics training from 3:00pm-4:00pm and will run over the remaining Wednesdays of Term 2. Mrs Kirsty Adams will join us again this year for Les Mills sessions on a Friday afternoon from 2:30pm – 3:30pm commencing this Friday 15th May. Please sign and return the attached permission form ASAP.

NAPLAN – testing time again!

Our Year 3 & 5 students today participated in the annual National Assessment Program — Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests to assess their skills and understanding in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. The tests are being conducted in all state and non-state schools across the country from 12–14 May. An individual NAPLAN report for each child will be sent home later this year. Results provide additional feedback for parents, carers and teachers on how students are progressing in key curriculum areas. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to reassure your child that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can. Further NAPLAN information for parents and carers is available online.

GGSHS Musical – Pens Down

Last Friday 08th May, the school took a trip to Gin Gin High School to watch the annual musical, Pens Down. It was great and everyone loved it especially the catchy songs and we can’t wait for next year’s play. I hope it’s good!

By Jordan Moloney

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Elim Moore who receives Student of the Week for his fantastic genre writing.

Well Done Genevieve!

READERS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Nazareth Mitchell and Elly Pearson who receive Readers of the Month during April for consistently completing their home reading and having their home reading log signed.

Well Done Naz & Elly!
Gotcha Awards!

It was very pleasing to see so many cards in the “Gotcha Box”. Congratulations to the following students who were drawn out this week.

William Anderson: working independently.
Genevieve Dean: working independently.
Genevieve Dean: Amazing work on punctuation sheet. Fantastic Effort!
Emily Jenner: working independently
Nazareth Mitchell: Fantastic effort during Maths.

Phonic Focus
The sounds that we have been consolidating this week are ‘IL’ as in lion, and ‘ll’ as in well. Year 1 students are consolidating all short vowel sounds. Please also help your child with these at home.

Book Club
Attached to last week’s newsletter was issue 3 of the Scholastic Book Club. Orders are due back to the school office with payment by next Tuesday 19th May.

P&C Update
Mothers’ Day: Hoping all our Mums, Nans and Grans had a lovely Mothers’ Day on Sunday. A big thank you to all the parents and family members who assisted the P&C with the flower and cake stall. We appreciate your help.

Be Safe
Be Responsible
Be Respectful

If children follow these three rules they will have success in all activities!

Tuckshop Update

This week – 15th May
American Hot Dogs with bacon, cheese and mustard and choice of drink $4.50

Next week – 22nd May
Make your own pizza day!! $2.00 each

Remember to keep these important dates on your calendar!!

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BUNDABERG AFL JUNIORS UNDER 7’s
Under 7’s will commence on Friday 22nd May at Brothers Bulldogs AFL ground at 5pm. Cost is $30 for the season and you will also receive a reversible Gold Coast Suns/Brisbane Lions playing singlet. For further information phone Shaun Stone on 0420980514 or email shaun.stone@aflq.com.au

Over Filling Bins
Ever wondered how much is too much to stuff into your kerbside collection bin? Unfortunately, overfilling your kerbside collection bins can sometimes mean Bundaberg Regional Council isn’t able to service them. Our collection trucks can’t lift bins that weigh more than 75kg. If material is protruding from the bin or waste is tightly jammed in to the bin, this may also mean the bin cannot be serviced as under Council’s guidelines, the bin lid must be closed and the contents must be able to be removed without manual intervention. For more information on Council’s Waste and Recycling Services head to www.bundaberg.qld.gov.au.