Principal's Report

Congratulations to our Stage 3 and Stage 2 finalists. The Spelling Bees held on Friday and Wednesday were both very exciting with all students involved performing very well and showing a great standard in spelling. Stanley and Ryan will be representing the school for Stage 3 while Liam and Tiahna will represent for Stage 2. Good luck to the four of you!

P & C

We had a very productive P & C meeting this week with much discussion about the upcoming Bingo night. Please put September 11 in your diaries and invite friends to join you. This will be the major fundraiser for the year. Any businesses or individuals who donate prizes or raffle items will be recognised in the newsletter and on our Facebook page.

Student Welfare

We have been implementing Positive Behaviour for Learning for five years now and have a school with very few behaviour issues as a result. However, children are children and occasionally they do make mistakes and behave inappropriately. When a student breaks one of our three expectations: Be safe, Be respectful or Be a learner there are a variety of possible consequences. First and foremost the teacher will speak to the student, give a verbal reminder and talk about what would be more appropriate. Depending on the behaviour they may be asked to walk with the teacher for a while, pick up papers or be asked to spend time out on the silver seat the following day. If sent to the silver seat, there is a reflection sheet to be completed that enables them to think about what they could do differently next time. If a student is sent to the silver seats three times in the one term then I will contact you to discuss the incidents that have occurred. Suspensions are given for the rare incidents of aggressive behaviour or violence, for consistent misbehaviour or for illegal activity.

If you ever have any concerns about a way in which an incident has been dealt with then please come and see me or the teacher concerned.

Debating Gala Day

There will be a debating gala day held at school tomorrow from 9:30 – 12:30. Our debating team: Callum, Ethan, Jack and Beatie, will be having debates against three other schools during this time. Good luck!

Karin Hird
Principal

Class News

Kindergarten

Book Week has certainly been fun this week! It was great to see so many students dressing up and connecting to books they had read or listened to. I enjoyed teaching pirates, fairies, pokemon and all sorts of other characters.

Rehearsals for our school concert are well under way. Please book a spot in your diary to come and watch your stars on stage on Friday night, September 5. Tickets are on sale from the office now. They are allocated seats so get in early and get the best view! Please start sending the costumes in so we can store them at school. Please let me know if your child is unable to perform on the night.

Ms Hook
1/2

The star of the week this week is Isabelle! Well done Isabelle, Lyla, Sophie, Torhi, Alby, Daniel, Ben, Alyssa, and Cooper who correctly spelt all their words in their spelling test last week.

Thank you so much for everyone's efforts for book week, the students really enjoyed themselves. The teachers

Notes Sent Home This Week

Father's Day Breakfast and Handball Comp
Fathers Day Stall Donations
Concert Rehearsal Bus
Band Rehearsal Change of Date
Touch Football Gala Day

Our School Values: Positive Behaviour Learning: Be Safe, Be Respectful & Be a Learner
also thought it was very successful and a lot of fun.

Next week during news we are asking students to talk about a museum they may have visited or know of, this has already created some interesting discussions. We are also busily practicing for the concert coming up in the next few weeks which is also very exciting. I would like to remind you that the Stage 1 Spelling Bee is on Monday 9:15 am in the Library. The speakers already know who they are and are practicing at home. Thank you to the parents who have said they are happy to help with Mr D’s Multi Lit program, I am still looking for any other parents that are able to provide an hour anytime through the week so please let me know.

**Mrs Halligan and Mr Derbyshire**

3/4

We are now madly practising our concert items.

With all the sneezing and sniffling going on lately, we have almost exhausted our class supply of tissues. If you are able to donate a box of tissues to the class, it would be most appreciated.

Please encourage your child to regularly read at home. Though we practise every day at school, home reading is essential, especially if your child has difficulty with reading.

It’s great to see all the children learning their times tables. Ask your child what tables they have achieved and encourage them to aim for more awards which are presented at assembly.

Congratulations to Tiahna who, along with Liam, will represent our school in the regional spelling bee.

**Mr Westcott**

4/5/6

This week we have been working further with our unit of work on ‘Belonging’, while developing our comprehension skills. We have studied Shaun Tan’s “Rules of Summer” and read an excerpt from “Soraya the Storyteller”.

In Mathematics, we have revised time concepts and 2D shapes. Students should be confidently able to convert between am/pm and 24 hour time. Any opportunities to read and interpret timetables would be of benefit.

Please ensure that your child has pens, pencils and a ruler in their pencil case. A glue stick and scissors would also assist.

**Mrs Hird**

Book Club orders are due back to the office by tomorrow, Friday 22nd August.

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**Happy Birthday To:**

**Keeley** 23 August
**Keely** 26 August
**Jace** 27 August

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**Office News**

Student invoices will be posted out tomorrow. We thank you for your patience with the delay in sending them out this month. As always, prompt payment is always appreciated. If you are facing difficulty making these payments, please don’t hesitate in contacting us.

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**Kelly and Sue**

**Coming Events**

**Term 3 Week 7**

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

FROM TERM 3—THE UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE OPENING ON THURSDAYS 9.00 AM—9.30 AM

Our Size 6, 8 & 10 Microfibre Jackets arrive in stock in 2 weeks time (just in time for those August winds).

Thanks Kylie
P & C News!!

There will be a fundraising Bingo night on Thursday 11 September—stay tuned for further details!!

Our Father’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 4 September—this will be combined with the school’s Father’s Day Annual Elite Handball Competition and BBQ morning.

The Canteen has some exciting special offers for next week!

To celebrate our Fruit and Veg competition ( see details later in the newsletter ) we are selling
Vege Muffins $1.00
Fruit Cups 0.40 c
Vege Cups with Hommus 0.40 c
Frozen Strawberry Bites 0.30 c
and Corn Cobs 0.50 c

Canteen Roster:
Friday 22 August Meaghan May
Monday 25 August Bec Green
Wed 27 August Caroline Kumar

Merit Awards

Class Awards
K
Aamon
1/2
Dylan
Torhi
Koby
Lyla
Sophie
Joe
3/4
Thai
Madi
Savita
Elsa
Nathan
4/5/6
Aaron
Ryan
Beatie
Alyssa
Brylee
Stanley
Charli
Jarrad
Emily
Jack
Jesse G
Hunter
Brad
Montanna
"Eat Fresh & Win" Sponsored by Sydney Markets Fresh For Kids. 1) Simply buy snacks, meals/lunch from the canteen containing fresh fruit or vegetables to receive a fresh for kids sticker and entry form.
2) Collect 2 stickers and stick them ...on your entry form.
3) Submit your completed entry to Mrs Irwin in the Canteen before 3pm Friday 19 September 2014 for a chance to win. Each completed entry receives a cute fruit ring.

The 'ex-feral' kitten found under our Kindy classroom is "GORGEOUS". He is tabby and white, is still a little timid, is toilet trained. With some TLC, he will be fine. You will fall in love with him as soon as you see him. I have sourced his desexing for $20.00 instead of $140.00 from a vet at Bateau Bay. Please call Kylie Fisher on 0408 838 007 if you would like him.
ABSENCE NOTE

Student Surname: ____________________________________________

First Name: ________________________________________________

Class: ______________

Date/s of Absence: _________________________________________

Reason for Absence: ________________________________________

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Parent / Guardian Signature: _________________________________

Date: ________________________________

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