Hello Everyone

There are many things happening as we approach the holidays. Earlier in the year I outlined our school improvement plans for 2015. School improvement will always continue and all staff are committed to capability development. The following improvements are planned during Sem. 2 this year.

* Embed our Writing Plan to ensure the best teaching of Writing;

* Develop a Maths Plan to ensure our teaching is based on best practice and is more investigative;

* Improve our identification of students who may be Gifted and Talented and provide more opportunities for capable students. Place this in a plan that covers all areas of intervention to cater for individual needs;

* Improve our transitional programs.

These will build on improvements we have made on areas such as Reading, Spelling, Pedagogy and Student Discipline. Our improvement agenda is based on the Teaching and Learning Audit that was held in 2013 and on student data. As we move forward, I intend to be very consultative with the community (The P&C is the appropriate forum), the staff and my supervisor Peter Baker. This will ensure we effectively use resources and make the best decisions for the school as we continue to move forward. As I said, school improvement is a continuous process.

Reports will be sent home during the last week of the term. The reports are quite generic and it is mandated that they are to be like this. However, a careful read of the comments will provide a solid insight into things learnt and the standards that have been met. While parent teacher interviews were conducted in term 1, teachers are always available to assist with clarification of comments and grades.

Next week we will be holding our Annual Sports Carnival on Thursday 18 June. I hope lots of people will enjoy a great day out. High participation levels are a feature of our carnivals. I know that we have all students in the school participating during the field events. We want our students to try their best, show great sportsmanship, enjoy winning, accept losing and have fun.

Have a good fortnight,

Michael
Important news for parents

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK: Week 6-8**

**P-2:**
Wk 6: Charlotte Behrendorff, John French, Ayden Dowe.
Wk 7: Rylee Dove, Mikealae Notthdurff, Thomas Peters
Wk 8: Jenna Kronik, Bill Brown, Malachi Peters

**Yr 3-4:**
Wk 6: Courtney Dove, Ethan Behrendorff
Wk 7: Jonah Peters, Brendon Packer
Wk 8: Jessica Gilmore, Nathan Cann

**Yr 5-6:**
Wk 6: Dylan Campbell, Tyson Smith
Wk 7: Amarlie Dodd, Mikealae Vonhoff
Wk 8: Eddy Cholava, Hayden Cann

**GOTCHA WINNERS:**
Jessica Gilmore, Annabelle Parke, Sophie Sturgess, Gemma Cronin, Chloe Reen, Christopher Maas, Ella Peters, John French, Hayden Cann.

**STUDENT BEHAVIOUR**
The focus of the week will be **Responsibility**. The following expectations come from the “Values and Expectations Matrix”. You may wish to reinforce these expectations with your child or children: Try my best; Take care of my belongings; Be in the right place at the right time; Keep my desk area tidy; Have books and materials ready; Participate fully; Arrive on time; Use the pedestrian crossing; Play in the designated areas; Use the toilets correctly; Return equipment after play.

**Mt Tyson Athletics Day—18 June**
Next Thursday 18 June is the athletics sports day at Mt Tyson for FLETCHER & RUSSELL houses. The colours of the house teams are-: Fletcher: Purple and Russell : Yellow
Students are allowed to wear t-shirts, colour their hair or wear ribbons etc in their teams colours, as well as decorating their team area with streamers and balloons.

The P&C Assn will be running food stalls on the day. Please support them, and your children by attending this athletics day.

**Rossvale Ball Games—Thursday 25 June for P-6**
These are held at Bridgeman Oval, Pittsworth. Students need to be there at 12 noon ready to start. Parents are required to transport their children to and from Bridgeman Oval for this event. 12 noon: arrive
12.15pm: Ball Games
1.15pm : Relays
2.00pm: Presentation and depart

**Reminder:** Rossvale Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 17 July. Further information will be sent home at the beginning of Term 3.

**From the Chairman**
**“PITTSWORTH PURPLE PIRATES” KIDS BIBLE HOLIDAY PROGRAM COMING AGAIN SOON!**

**Week 1 winter school holidays 2015**
**VENUE:** Uniting Church Pittsworth

**Cost for the week:** $35.00 child or $90.00 for 3 or more children (from same family)

**Program:**
Mon – Fri 8.45am – 12.30pm
Sports, games, craft, Bible stories
For children in primary school
Apply early – limited places
Register online at www.kidsgamesqld.com.au

Enquiries : Karen Pomerenko 46933202

**Community News**

**School Holiday Children’s Floristry Classes**
Inspirational, educational, creative classes designed for children years 7-12. All flowers and materials supplied as well as morning tea. Max. 6 children in each class—booings essential. Class runs for 2 hrs— Cost is $45 all inclusive. Contact Donna—Yandilla Rose, Pittsworth 46933968.

N.B: Please support these classes as Yandilla Rose is one of the supporters of our printed newsletters.

**NRL Pittsworth Holiday Clinic—ages 6-12yrs**
on July 7, 9.30am at Pittsworth Danes Rugby Leagues Club. Come and enjoy a morning of Rugby league skills and games. Including prizes and give-aways. Run by NRL staff. Cost is $45 includes holiday pack. Register online at : PLAYNRL.COM

**P&C NEWS**

If you have anything you wish to add to the agenda or the P&C News, please let Amanda Pollock know on 0428 285 818.

**P&C Events** | **Date (2015)**
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P&C Meeting | 14 July
Sports Day | 18 June

June 18th is Mt Tyson’s Annual Sports Day, the day will begin at 9.00am with the Sports House War Cries and please see the attached sheet. Contact the office if your child doesn’t know which team he or she is in.

Thank you to everyone who returned the catering and volunteer forms. The Sports Day stall will be in operation for morning tea between 9.45 and 10.30, and lunch between 12.00 and 1.00 so please note the attached roster.

Nominations for Excellence in Teaching Awards for 2015 are currently open and if you think our teachers qualify please see Amanda or Donna for details.

Thank you
Donna
P&C President

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Volunteers for tuckshop are getting really low and several mothers will be leaving at the end of the year.

It is only 1 day a term and your child/children would love to see you helping out.

**TUCKSHOP ROSTER**

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**Lost clothing**
There is a large amount of un-named clothing, hats and drink bottles being handed in. Also there is clothing that is named that is disappearing. Please check that your child is wearing the correct jumper or hat.

**CAPTAINS RAFFLE**
We have already sold 1000 tickets and extra tickets are available from the office. The multidraw Captains Raffle will be drawn 25th July 2015 at The Aubigny Hotel during The Aubigny Outback Way function held that day. Please return all money and tickets by 23rd July.

The P&C will contribute some money and the profits from The Captain’s Raffle will go towards basketball hoops, netball posts and soccer nets. Any surplus funds will go towards volleyball posts and nets.

**Volunteers**
Once again volunteers are needed! Help sell Captain’s Raffle tickets at Pittsworth Woolworths on 11th July combined with a sausage sizzle. Also volunteers are needed outside Pittsworth Newsagency on 17th July. Rosters will be sent out next week.

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