**Principal's Message**

Hello Everyone

Last week we had a fantastic Book Parade and Bookfair. I would like to thank the P&C for organizing the Bookfair. The costumes at the book parade were fantastic and I would like to thank everyone for their support as we endeavour to promote literature and the importance of children’s reading.

Last newsletter I discussed the importance of school attendance. Good attendance does make a positive difference to results and levels of improvement. I said that we would be tightening our procedures. Important things to note are as follows:

- All absences need to be explained with a note or phone call to school;
- The school will contact parents if absences are unexplained. This will occur within three days of the absence;
- The principal will contact parents if reasons provided are considered to be unreasonable;
- A doctor’s certificate is required if students are away ill for three days or more;
- The school should be contacted if students are to be away for more than two weeks. An exemption form needs to be completed. The school encourages families to take holidays in the school holidays.

We currently have attendance levels at about 90%. This means that there are 90% of our students on average at school each day. I would like to see this at about 95% and I will monitor progress as I highlight this issue and attempt to change attitudes.

I would like to mention the Captain’s Raffle. You will be receiving the raffle tickets with this newsletter. Hayden Cann initiated this by asking businesses to donate prizes. There are some really great prizes in this raffle and this is a great initiative. The money will be spent on either sporting equipment or some sporting infrastructure. This will be negotiated by Hayden, myself and the P&C. I would urge you to support this great raffle as the result will benefit the school.

Finally I would like to mention that this Friday 29 May is “World P&C Day”. Once again I would like to thank people involved for their great contribution. We will not have a morning tea because I have been told that some people are working that day. However, I will supply a cake at the next P&C meeting.

Have a great fortnight

Michael

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**What's On**

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Reminder: -
Friday 5 June
School Performance at Biddeston
“Dinosaur Science” 1-2pm
Important news for parents

STUDENT OF THE WEEK: Week 4/5
P: 2: Damien Campbell, Lilly-Ann Packer, Chaise Dodd, Taj Goebel, Riley Viether, Georgie Kummerow
3:2: La’Rae Rockemer, Sam McKenna, Talita Cann, Jack Reen
Yr 5-6: Dusty Robinson, Sophie Sturgess, Gemma Cronin, Tom Griffiths

GOTCHA WINNERS:
La’Rae Rockemer, Jorja Schelberg, Annabelle Parke, Ben Peters, Taj Goebel

STUDENT BEHAVIOUR
This week we will be focusing on the RESPECT value. You may wish to reinforce the following expectations at home: Use kind words and actions; Be tolerant and fair; Listen to the speaker; Avoid name calling at all times; Use manners; Hands up in class; One speaker at a time in class; Allow others to learn; Take it in turns; Let others join in when playing; Wait my turn in the toilet and respect the privacy of others. (All expectations are form our “Values and Expectations Matrix”. There are many of these around the school.)

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE –at Biddeston Hall :-
On Friday 5 June we will be travelling by bus for this performance, titled “Dinosaur Science”-Unearthing the Palaeontologist in us all.
This performance runs from 1-2pm. We will leave the school at 12.30pm and arrive back by 2.30pm.
Cost per student will be $9.00 (includes bus).
Please complete the consent form and return with money by Wednesday 3 June to the office.

Mt Tyson Athletics Day—16 June
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.

From the Chaplain
Hi parents. I am now beginning to find my feet in my role! I’ve met some of you, which has been great.
I attended the Soccer day, and it was great to see the Southbrook kids there as well. Looks like I might have to try and put aside a day to attend the combined sports day - could I wear half green/half maroon?
Please note that I have changed my day from a Thursday to a Wednesday – a tuckshop day! Takes pressure off me having to pack my lunch! NOT that this is the reason for the change of day, just an added benefit!
I would like to sometimes give some information for you just in case. As times our children, and we ourselves – need a little heads up! We live in a busy and on occasion, crazy mixed up world. Sometimes some of us just need someone to talk to. There are some great support groups out there. I can point you in the right direction, as can any of the teachers. There are many places for advice. The following websites are helpful, you can talk to a counsellor online or via email for free, if ever the need arises.

Kids Helpline
Phone: 1800 55 1800
Visit: www.kidshelp.com.au

There is information on topics ranging from social anxiety to having trouble with school assignments to online games/colouring in for the kids. Alternatively, if your child, or you yourself – need a listening ear, feel free to contact me.
Until next time, Karen.

P&C NEWS
13.05.2015
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)
P&C MEETING 9th June
Sports Day 18 June

BOOK FAIR
Book Fair week is over for another year. The children [and some parents] had great fun dressing up for the parade and end of year books have been chosen as well as new books for our library. Thank you to everyone who volunteered on the book stall.

June 18th is Mt Tyson’s Annual Sports Day. Please see attached volunteer/ catering form, this is to be returned to the P&C box by June 11th NO MONEY IS TO BE SENT.

The P&C is hiring a coffee machine for the day and if anyone was a barista be-fore having children please come and show us your skills.
Thank you
Donna
P&C President

TUCKSHOP NEWS
Please let Donna know if you can donate home bake for tuckshop.
Volunteers for tuckshop are getting really low, its only 1 day a term and your child/ children would love to see you helping out.

Next Monthly Meeting is 9th June 2015 at 7.00pm

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Wed 27th: Therese & Cathy
Wed 3rd: Emma & Michelle
Wed 10th: Sue & Claudia

SCHOOL UNIFORMS
Uniforms can still be purchased from Karen, there are some 2nd hand winter trackuits and jumpers available.

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/hat.

CAPTAINS RAFFLE
Tickets for the Captain’s Raffle have been sent home, more tickets are available at the office. This raffle will be draw on the 25th July at The Aubigny Outback Way function at The Aubigny Hotel.

VOLUNTEERS
Volunteers are required to help on the food stall for Sports Day in ½ hour blocks, parents with younger children are most welcome to help. Home bake is needed too as it is very popular.

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