FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Tomorrow is the last day of Semester 1 – hard to believe that we are half way through the year. This has been an extremely busy time for the staff (and students) with testing, report card writing and organising work samples etc for parent/teacher interviews.
I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for making such a positive contribution to our school during this semester.
Thank you to those who:
- Attended and made positive contributions at P & C meetings
- Organized and supported our fundraising activities
- Attended our Parent/Teacher interviews
- Supported our students in music, sporting events and class excursions
- Supported our school and students by effective communication and support of our staff

ENROLMENTS
We have a new student in Prep – Josiah Lavea. Welcome to our school, Josiah. Our enrolment stands at 169 students. Next year we say good-bye to our Year 6 and 7 students (27 in total). At this stage we have 13 preps for 2015 on our list. A class of 20 preps next year would be fantastic. If you know of anyone who is looking for a school for their children, remember that ‘word of mouth’ is the best form of advertising.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS’ AWARD
Congratulations to Dain. Well done Dain!

PBAs (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AWARD)
Winning team last week was Jacaranda. Congratulations! Our Jacaranda winner was Abby and the Wattle winner was Callem.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Prep – Seth for his hard work with sounds.
Year 1 – Addena for trying her best in spelling.
Year 1/2 – Jasmine for being an enthusiastic learner.

Year 2/3 – Lexie for her excellent demonstration of maze drawing for ‘Show and Teach’.
Year 3/4 – Jude Brocherie for always giving 100% on all class activities.
Year 5 – Debra Dunne for always being a well mannered, pleasant and cooperative class member.
Year 6/7 – Nick Robins for his excellent work in Mathematics.
Music – Brendan Harris for his great enthusiasm in learning a dance during Music lessons.

Our Students of the Week

STUDENT ATTENTIVE AWARD
Congratulations to the following students: Brendan (Prep); Preston (Year 1); Lucille (Year 1/2); Zara (Year 2/3); Michael (Year 3/4); Debra (Year 5) and Sebastian (Year 6/7). Next parade, they will be sitting in the best seats in the house!

SWPBS NEWS
This week’s lesson is about ‘Entering and Exiting Rooms Politely’. We expect the students to ask to leave the classroom and to knock before entering a classroom (this does not include before and after break times for upper school students). Students can only be in a classroom if a teacher is present. During the lessons, the importance of entering classrooms politely is discussed. This is so that other students’ learning is not interrupted.

SPORTS
Unfortunately, sport against Gatton was cancelled because they were too afraid of rain drops – just joking! That meant that they forfeited, so we won all 4 games – well done everyone!

On a more serious note, the sports shed key was taken from the shed during lunch break. Whoever took it, or finds it, please return to Mr Clair or the office. (BREAKING NEWS – the key has been found!)

All the best for everyone going to Gatton for the carnivals this week.

The Table Tennis Tournament for 2014 was completed this week. In 4th place was Matthew, 3rd was Ben. Runner Up was Colby. The winner for 2014 is Michael.

PLAYGROUP
During playgroup this week, we went to the library and read a story about Harry, the Fish with Fingers. It was a very funny story. The children then made some fish to take home. Remember, Playgroup is every Tuesday morning from 9:00 am – 11:00 am in the Prep Grounds.
WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

This week we are introducing Krystal du Frocq (Anderson). Krystal attended the school from 1994 – 2000.

Memories of School: I remember staying at Underwater World and sleeping in the tunnel with a large stingray over me, and I also remember our Grade 7 Camp at the Dam. The rest is pretty much a blur, but I will never forget always being called ‘Possum’ by Mr Cook.

Favourite Teacher: Mrs Pommeranz

What do you do now? I am married and live in Toowoomba. I’m currently a stay at home mum with a 2 ½ year old, Jonah, and expecting our 2nd child in November. I’m currently working on turning quite a few of my hobbies into a small business.

FOUND ITEMS

A number of items that have been found around the school (or in front of the school) have been handed into the office. These include a small teddy bear, tags for a bag, watch…. If you have lost any of these items, please call into the office.

Lost property will be on display tomorrow.

MOVIE NIGHT

Thanks to everyone for attending (and the parents for supervising and helping with intermission). There were 104 students present!

HEALTH NEWS

One of our students has been diagnosed with a confirmed case of ‘whooping cough’. If you or your child/ren have any symptoms, please see your doctor.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club was a great success on Wednesday – the scrambled eggs went down very well! Thanks Odette and Katie for supplying the eggs. Our students do a fantastic job helping (as does our Chaplain, Don). Remember, Breakfast Club is every Wednesday morning.

P & C NEWS

Next meeting is on Tuesday 5 August commencing at 3:00pm in the library.

HEAD LICE

There have been some cases of head lice. Please check your child’s hair regularly. The site below is very good explaining about ‘nits’.

http://kidshealth.org/parent/infections/common/head_lice.html

HELIDON COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP

Tuesdays 9:00 am – 11:00 am.

Come along and enjoy the morning with fun interaction for you and your child. For more information phone the school on 46129222.

Pies and Ice Blocks

Fridays

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Student Council Fundraiser

Tomorrow is Free Dress Day
(Not for students attending the Soccer/Netball Carnival)