School News

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Last week’s hero:

Deane Lyons

This week’s focus rule:

Be ready to learn.

Full School Review:
Following our Full School Review late last term, I have now received a formal report, which provides a list of commendations and recommendations. Recommendations will be used by the QSR team to help form our new school plan for the next four years. Please find below a summary of the report.

Commendations:
- Staff members are united and committed to improved learning outcomes for all students.
- The principal and staff members are committed to the success of all students.
- The school has a documented whole-school curriculum plan.
- The principal views reliable and timely student data as essential to the school improvement agenda.
- Students are being encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning.
- Parents and families are recognised as integral members of the school community and partners in their child’s education.
- Staff, student and parents have an obvious sense of belonging and speak highly of the school.

Recommendations:
- Develop a process to monitor the effectiveness of units of work to ensure alignment with the AC and the achievement standards for each year level.
• Build the data literacy skills of teaching staff to interpret, analyse and use class data.
• Review school expectations for providing feedback to students and ensure these are consistently applied in every classroom.
• Collaboratively develop a parent and community engagement framework with all stakeholders.
• Collaboratively develop a learning and wellbeing framework with staff members, students and parents.

Bingo:
Thank you to the P&C for taking time out yesterday afternoon to sell items at bingo to raise money for our school.

Insect Repellent:
Just a reminder that in order for students to be able to apply insect repellent at school, a student must return a signed permission note along with insect repellent. The school does not supply insect repellent.

ANZAC Day Ceremony:
Our school ANZAC Day Ceremony will be at 9am this Friday. Parents and community members are most welcome to attend.

Teachers, please select two students from your class to lay the wreath for your class.

Giru Township ANZAC Day Ceremony:
We would like as many students as possible to march with the school at the Giru Township ANZAC Day ceremony next Monday, 25th April.

All students marching are to:
• Be dressed in full school uniform and are to wear their school hat.
• Meet Miss Werder and Mrs Lanes (as well as other school staff) opposite the police station at 9:15am.

ANZAC Day Items:
The office has commemorative ANZAC Day items for sale including ribbons ($1), wrist bands ($2) and tattoos ($0.50).

Please come to the office this week to purchase any items.

Newsletter:
Due to the ANZAC Day public holiday next Monday, there will be no newsletter next week. We plan to publish the next newsletter on Tuesday 3rd May.

Parade:
Our next parade will be held on Monday, 9th May.

Regards,

Stacey ☺
Use the Main Idea and Supporting Details to Determine Importance

The main idea of a passage is often stated in a sentence within the passage. It helps readers understand the most important idea about what is being read. The other sentences of the passage include pieces of information that tell more about the most important idea. These are called the supporting details.

Understanding the general idea of a text can be tricky for beginning, emerging, or even established readers. It can require time, brain power, and hard work to determine the main idea of a passage. Learning how to use the main idea and supporting details is an essential piece to a reader’s success in comprehending text.

How can you help your child with this strategy at home?
1. When reading with your child, stop frequently and ask your child what they think the selection is about. Then, ask your child to give you one detail to support their thought.

2. Remind your child that readers may think differently about what the author’s main point is in the selection. When a reader decides what he/she believes is the main idea, evidence from the text must be given as support. Model this process for your child, thinking aloud as you go and supporting your findings with details from the text. You may wish to use the following terms:
   • **topic** – the subject, what the text is about
   • **main idea** – most important idea about the topic (usually a sentence)
   • **supporting details** – bits of information used to support main idea

3. Give your child an opportunity to practice this strategy. After reading a selection, ask:
   • In a few words, what is this selection about?
   • What do you think is the most important idea about this topic?
   • Did you find the main idea written in the passage or did you infer it?

P & C News – Week Two Term Two

BINGO

The Scott Rural Fire Service are conducting monthly BINGO at the CWA Hall in Giru. Yesterday was their first BINGO day which was well attended and very well organised. Sharon Stockham, Amber Hornsby and myself attended to sell water, soft drink, chips and pens to raise money for our school. As this is going to be a monthly event we are seeking volunteers to assist in selling these items on behalf of the school. We would require two people for approximately four hours on a Sunday afternoon, you can also participate in the BINGO if you wish. The next BINGO afternoon is on Sunday the 22 May. If you are able to assist please give me a call on 0409 063646, we welcome your assistance.

FUN RUN

This term we will be conducting the annual Fun Run in conjunction with the sports carnival on the 22 June. Karyn Johnson has started organising this event with information and sponsor details to be sent home soon. There are great prizes for children that participate and incentives for the child and class that raise the most funds. We look forward to your support of this event.

P & C MEETING

We will not be holding a meeting in the month of April for the P&C, our next meeting will be held on the 9th May 2016 at 7.00pm in the staff room. You are most welcome to attend.

TUCKSHOP

We will be able to continue to provide weekly tuckshop thanks to additional volunteers coming forward and others already on roster taking on extra days. I would like to thank our tuckshop committee and all our tuckshop volunteers for their hard work, time and effort in providing tuckshop for our children, which also raises funds for our school. Well done! If you are not on roster and would like to participate, even if it’s only once a term, please contact the tuckshop committee Chairperson Karyn Johnson.

Thanks
Tracey Town
P&C President
P&C Notices

P & C Notes
To help our P & C meetings run more smoothly, and in a timely manner, items that you would like brought before the P & C, need to be added to the agenda on the Friday before the meeting.

If it's not on the agenda, it probably won't get discussed until the following meeting.

You can contact Karyn Johnson on 0427 279 384
or email jeffandkaryn@bigpond.com
P & C Executive

SCHOOL BANKING
Monday is School Banking Day

UNIFORMS
Uniforms/Hats can only be purchased from Tuckshop on Mondays

Tuckshop Roster
A friendly reminder for Tuckshop on Tuesday, 26th April
the following volunteers have been rostered:

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A friendly reminder for Tuckshop on Tuesday, 2nd May
the following volunteers have been rostered:

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Please note: It is your responsibility to find a suitable replacement if you cannot attend your rostered day.
CHAPPIE’S CHAT

ANZAC....

ANZAC Day is a special time when we need to again be aware of how blessed we are being Australian. Over the years, I have travelled to many other countries, and each time I’ve come home, I’ve realized what a wonderful life we have in Australia.

Of course, it is people who make a place wonderful, and it’s people who guard against evil forces stealing such goodness away. Over the last hundred years and more, there have been a number of times our Defence Forces have needed to be at war to protect us. This is part of what our school remembrance service is about this Friday.

I also believe ANZAC to be about us giving of our blessings to a hurting world — a world needing freedom and help and love. Our Defence Forces do this in peacekeeping, in disaster relief and in other ways. From our abundance we need to give.

So please join with us at our ceremony at 9am this Friday. Bring your sad heart to remember the cost in keeping our freedom; bring your grateful heart to know we are very blessed; and bring your compassionate heart to recognise we need to give love to the crying world around us.

Chappy John

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KEEN TO PLAY TENNIS! (in Giru)

Junior Coaching for Primary School Students
(Prep - Grade 6) Friday mornings - 8.15am
(School Term)
$5 per student (payable at lesson)
Giru Tennis Courts
Racquets provided or bring your own
Coach - Arron Klump 0419795548
(Tennis Hot Shots)

Adult Cardio Tennis
Friday mornings - 8.45am (School Term)
$10 per adult (payable at lesson)
Giru Tennis Club
Racquets provided or bring your own
Coach – Aaron Klump 0419795548

Everyone Welcome from Beginners to Advance

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What Can You Do If You Think Your Child Has Head Lice?

Follow the L.T.C.H.

THE FACTS OF LICE

HEAD LICE ARE SMALL INSECTS THAT LIVE ON HUMAN HAIR.
HEAD LICE CAN BE A PEST BUT THEY ARE NOT A HEALTH PROBLEM.
PEOPLE DO NOT GET HEAD LICE BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT CLEAN.
HEAD LICE IS COMMON IN SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN.

Giru Daycare is hosting a free information night for all families seeking information of head lice prevention.

All Welcome

Day: Wednesday 20th April 2016
Time: 5:00pm
Where: Giru Daycare Centre, 24 Donaghue Street GIRU
CORES Burdekin

COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO ELIMINATING SUICIDE

ONE DAY SUICIDE INTERVENTION TRAINING
SATURDAY MAY THE 14TH
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Imagine these faces to be family, friends, neighbours or work colleagues.
Can you pick which one is having troubling thoughts? Would you know?
If you did suspect something, could you deal with it?
What happens if a person can’t cope ... will someone be there for them?
This one day CORES training will give you the skills and confidence to recognise then assess a person who may be at risk of self harm or suicide.

Venue: Burdekin PCYC 164 Macmillan Street
       Ayr
Cost: Free - BYO Lunch
Time: 9am-5pm
Contact: Ross Romeo CORES Qld Co-ordinator
        Mobile: 0427 455 313
        coresqld@kentishrc.com.au

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23 March 2016

To the Landowner,

Weather permitting; Wilmar Sugar will be undertaking works to upgrade the cane railway crossing on McLain Road, near the intersection with Upper Haughton Rd.

McLain Road will be closed at the intersection with Upper Haughton Rd from Tuesday 19th April to Wednesday 20th April 2016 for works to be carried out. Traffic signage and a detour will be in place during this time, as shown on the plan below.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact Tiffany Olditch on 0418 612 633 between 7:00am and 3:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Tiffany Olditch
Rail Infrastructure Engineer
Wilmar Sugar

Location of Road Closure and Detour