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Great state. Great opportunity.
Last week's hero:

This week's focus rule:

Keep your workspace tidy

65 Roses Day:
Thank you to everyone who supported 65 Roses Day last week. The school raised $201 and it has been forwarded to the North Queensland Support Group for Cystic Fibrosis. Please see thank you later on in this newsletter from Sheridan on behalf of the North Queensland Support Group for Cystic Fibrosis.
Whole School Rewards Day:
The whole school has received another 500 SRS tokens. Congratulations students! To acknowledge this achievement, all students were rewarded with an icy pole at second break yesterday.

HPE/Science:
Yesterday, students had an extra HPE and Science lesson to make up for a lesson missed earlier in the term.

State of Origin:
Today, students had a State of Origin free dress day for a gold coin donation. Students came to school dressed in their favourite team’s colours and were able to purchase Origin team inspired ice-creams or ice-cream spiders. All funds

Reading:
As part of reading, some of our Year 1 students have been retelling stories. Please find below some samples of student work.

2017-2020 School Plan:
Our QSR team has put together a draft version of our 2017-2020 School Plan. The 2017-2020 School Plan will be used to drive our annual school improvement agendas from 2017-2020. Areas of focus in the draft plan include:

- Continuing to focus on reading and writing (including Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar);
- Numeracy;
- Improving attendance levels and increasing enrolments;
- Implementing the Australian Curriculum as new subjects are released;
- Consistent practices for providing feedback to students;
- Developing and implementing a Higher Order Thinking Skills Framework, Learning and Well-being Framework and Parent-Community Engagement Framework;
- Resolving ICT related issues;
- Improving the school’s online communication; and
- Investigating opportunities for interschool activities.

Following our school’s verification meeting on 15th June, the 2017-2020 School Plan will be uploaded to our school’s website. I will let you know once the 2017-2020 School Plan can be accessed on our school website.

Have a great week.

Regards,

Stacey ☺️
Back up and re-read

Many times when reading a story, adults get to a point where they realize they do not understand what they are reading. Somewhere during their reading, they lost concentration and therefore the meaning of the story. When this happens, as adults we realize we have lost comprehension and we stop, back-up, and reread. Children are no different than we are. They need to be taught the strategies good readers use to be successful.

Your child has been introduced to the comprehension strategy of check for understanding. In learning this strategy, the children are taught to stop throughout the story and ask “who” and “what”. Now, your child is working on what to do when he/she is not able to answer the questions of “who” and “what”. Your child is being taught the comprehension strategy back up and reread.

How can you help your child with this strategy at home?

1. Model this strategy for your child. When reading with your child, stop to check for understanding. If your child has difficulty answering the “who” and “what”, remind your child to back up and reread. Tell your child to read slowly and think about what is being read. After doing this, stop and check for understanding again. Remember, modeling is one of the most effective teaching strategies.

2. Remind your child that using the two strategies, check for understanding and back up and reread, together will help with remembering and understanding the story.

Source: Allison Behne. www.thedailycafe.com

Student Council Messages

Eggs for Sale:
This week the Student Council has 3 dozen eggs for sale. If you would like to purchase eggs ($4/ dozen), please contact the school.
The watermelon was refreshing after all of the hard work in the garden. Then when Rosa took a bite, the joos went down her chin and her derty red shert got all sticky from the joos. It was yummy! Rosa was happy for wartering the watermelon.

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Nakita
Dear Parents,

School photography day is coming up very soon. Group and portrait photographs can be purchased by following the link above or by using the envelope, sent home with each child today (Wednesday 1 June). Sibling photo envelopes can be collected from the school office.

Important Information:

- School photos purchased online DO NOT require envelopes returned to school*
- Don't forget to order your sibling photos now
- Late fees/additional charges will be applied for purchases after photo day
- Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after photos are taken
- Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups available at school's advancedlife & your advancedyou photo sites (follow the link above)

*Sibling photographs must be ordered either online or by order envelope prior to the day of photography. A photograph will not be taken without an order. Sibling photographs only apply to children enrolled at the school.

advancedlife would like to express our appreciation to GIRU STATE SCHOOL for placing your trust in us. Please remember we offer a 100% money back guarantee on our products to ensure your peace of mind. We would also love to receive your feedback or resolve any issues you may experience as fast as possible, to ensure your satisfaction. If you have any questions, comments or feedback relating to your advancedlife experience please contact us at-

enquiries@advancedlife.com.au
School Disco

When: Thursday 23 June 2016
Time: 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm
Where: Giru State School
Who: Giru State School Students in Prep – Year 6
Cost: $5.00 per child which includes a popper and a packet of chips for each child
Dress: Come as you like

On Sale:
- Soft Drinks $2.00
- Water $2.00
- Chips $0.50
- Pizza Slices $2.00

Please ensure that you sign your child/ren in if you are not attending for the duration of the disco and return by 7.50 to collect your child/ren.
65 Roses Day!

Last Friday we held "65 Roses Day", where for a gold coin donation, we could wear some red clothing to school. The donation is going towards research for the cure of Cystic Fibrosis, an ailment which our Prep student Claire lives with.

Of course, Chappy wrote himself a note in his diary over a week ago, so he would remember....the only red Chappy wore was on his face because he did not look at his diary that morning!

But the wonderful thing which happened at school on Friday, was the special parade we held in the afternoon, just to show Claire how we love and care for her. Thankyou to our students who led the parade so wonderfully; it was lovely to see your heart in it. Thankyou also to all of our students for repeating my words as I offered the short prayer for Claire, and for the finding of a cure by medical researchers. I know God heard us and feels our heart.

And Claire, thankyou for being such a special student at Giru State School. We care for you and want to keep seeing your beautiful smile every day!

Chappy John

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KEEN TO PLAY TENNIS! (In Giru)

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Giru Bowls Club
PRE HARVEST SPECTACULAR

FRIDAY 3rd JUNE
BAREFOOT BOWLS 5.30PM
NAMES PLEASE BY 5.00PM
FOLLOWED BY:
ROAST DINNER, MEAT, POTATO BAKE,
VEGETABLE AU-GRATIN AND GREENS
DESSERT

RAFFLES – LAST DRAW SURPRISE JACKPOT
MUSIC AND DANCING

BOOKINGS for dinner ESSENTIAL

COME ONE  COME ALL

Let’s leave our hair down and celebrate with friends before

crush

Phone: Betty 47 829173  Phone: Club 47 829175
By Wednesday 25th May
Cane trains on the move again

Cane trains are on the move again around the Burdekin district ahead of the start of this year's crushing season.

Crushing is set to start at Wilmar Sugar's four Burdekin mills on **Tuesday 7 June**.

Now is a great time for parents to talk to their children about staying safe around cane trains.

Cane trains operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week during the crushing season.

Although cane trains don't travel at high speeds they weigh about 1000 tonnes, which means they take a long time to stop after brakes are applied.

Even if a loco driver sees someone or something on the train tracks ahead, he or she may not be able to stop in time to avoid hitting it.

A locomotive can weigh up to 40 tonnes - about the same as a humpback whale.

Cane bins usually weigh between four and six tonnes - about the same as an elephant.

That means a fully laden cane train is about the same as a humpback whale towing 150 roller-skating elephants - not something you want to have hit you!

That's why it is so important to stay away from cane railway tracks and always give way to cane trains.

Wilmar Sugar's cane train safety mascot, Sam, helps teach young people how to stay safe during the crushing season.

Sam's key messages to young people are that they should:

1. Keep off cane trains and their bins;
2. Keep clear of cane railway tracks;
3. Stay off cane railway bridges;
4. Stay safe at cane railway crossings.

The Burdekin's crushing season is expected to run from June to mid-November.
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 Monday, 6th June 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.