Dear Parents

S&P
Tye – for fantastic phonics

LLs
Ava – for being an excellent role model with her attentive listening and organisation

PJ’s
Tiana – for giving your best effort and working exceptionally hard in class
Mitchell – for an exceptional effort in story writing and improved behaviour during reading groups
Connor – for working hard to improve his reading and story writing

MACS
Cloe – for fantastic effort in maths tests and for faster writing
Riley – for his excellent attitude and listening and striving to do his best

February
28 – Brianna

NEW ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND
Construction has finally started on the new playground and, to this point, all is going well. If our luck continues, the playground will, hopefully, be completed by this Thursday – stay tuned.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE IS ON EVERY FRIDAY
with sausages and Home Brand ice blocks.
Sausage and bread $1.20
Ice block $1.00
Sausage and ice block deal $2.00
Volunteer BBQ chefs needed from 10.35am-12:00 pm. Kaz Field has kindly offered to organise a roster for volunteer sausage sizzle cooks. The sausage sizzle has made an enormous difference to the cost of our camps over the years. I have no doubt that we’ve had children able to attend camp because of the reduction in costs provided by sausage sizzle funds.
If you can find time to roll some sausages around a hotplate on the odd Friday, please contact Kaz on 41559999 so that a roster can be drawn up.

BUNDABERG NEWSMAIL PREP PHOTOS
The photo that was taken last Thursday of our Prep students will be published in the NewsMail on Wednesday, 26 March.

BUY A BALE FUNDRAISING
Our school has registered to raise funds for this great charity. This campaign is providing meaningful support for farmers by delivering hay and other essential items to farmers who have no feed left for their livestock.
This was a great idea suggested by Chelsea, Lara, Brooke & Tahlia in the PJ’s classroom. If you would like to make a donation, please place funds, (inside an envelope), in one of the locked boxes in the classrooms. Participation is voluntary. We will not be publishing individual donations but will put a total donated from our school in our next newsletter.

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At Sharon State School, every child matters for every minute of every day!

Did you know your child’s best learning time is the very start of the school day?
That’s when every minute counts the most!!
INTER Schüler Sport

Sport this term is Cricket and Softball. We hope to tell children on Thursdays if they are playing in a team on the Friday. However, this can be surprisingly difficult due to absences, illnesses, injuries only emerging on Friday mornings. Students in the Maccs classroom are expected to hand in completed homework on Thursdays to allow us a little more time to finalise teams.

If it is an away game, I need permission from a parent for a child to leave our grounds. To save heartbreak, I’m more than comfortable if you send a note saying that you give permission for all of the trips. You still have the option of letting me know if your child can’t travel on a particular day. Each child needs to bring $3 for the bus in an envelope if they travel on the bus. Permission can be written on this envelope and put it in the classroom collection box. You do not need permission or money for home games.

DRAW
28 February - Wallaville at Sharon
7 March - *Kolan South at Kolan South
14 March - Gin Gin at Sharon
21 March - Kolan South at Sharon
28 March - *Wallaville at Wallaville

*a away games – travel by bus. $3 and permission needed.

It is Sharon policy that students need to be in FULL UNIFORM when representing the school and/or leaving the school grounds on a school function.

Our uniform is red T-shirt with Sharon School in the collar, royal blue shorts or skirts, royal blue sun safe hats or legionnaires caps and, of course, shoes and socks. As our school colours are royal blue and red, please don’t confuse “royal blue” with “navy blue” or “black” as our opposing schools wear these coloured shorts and skirts. We will attempt to find a substitute uniform for children if needed. However, if they are not available or a child refuses to wear the uniform offered to them, they will not take part. There are plenty of other children willing to have a go.

Please understand that playing interschool sport is a “PRIVILEGE” and not a “RIGHT”. We actually have too many children eligible to play interschool sport. If a student chooses not to complete work, or not to behave appropriately, one of our options is to give their sport position to one of many other children for that particular week.

If we don’t have permission from a parent about children travelling to sport we will not send them.

SMILE AWHILE

Q: What do you give a sick bird?
A: Tweetment!

Q: Why does a flamingo lift up one leg?
A: Because if it lifted both legs it would fall over!

Q: Why do birds fly north in the winter?
A: Because it’s too far to walk!

Q: What do you call a funny chicken?
A: A comedi-hen

Q: Why do seagulls like to live by the sea?
A: Because if they lived by the bay they would be bagels!

YEAR 3 AND 4 CAMP AT BARAMBAH

Just a reminder to parents of children who will be attending camp at Barambah from 23 June to 25 June. It is very likely that this will be a COLD camp – especially at night! It’s possible that it will be colder than anything the children may have experienced before (which is exactly why we chose this time of year). To give you an idea, way back in 2004, we measured the temperature during the astronomy night at Barambah. It went down to 3°C!! Fortunately, it was a still night.

While we haven’t been quite that cold since, it’s certainly a good idea to be prepared. Now is the time to scout around with friends and relatives for sleeping bags and warm clothes. Second hand shops are another budget friendly way to find warm clothing. Best to start looking now – before the other parents beat you to it.

A letter will soon be sent home with Year 3/4 students indicating approximate costs and asking parents to indicate whether or not their children will be taking part.

For more information, visit the Barambah website at: http://www.barambaheec.eq.edu.au/

YEAR 5/6/7 CAMP AT TALLEBUDGERA

While our Barambah camp is cold, our Tallebudgera Camp, (12 November to 16 November), is warm but more expensive.

A letter will soon be sent home with Year 5/6/7 students indicating approximate costs and asking parents to indicate whether or not their children will be taking part.

For more information, visit the Tallebudgera website: http://www.talloec.eq.edu.au/
MATHLETICS

Please be aware that, if your child is in the Macs class for maths, they have a task to complete by Thursday morning. Preferably, this task would be done at home to allow parents a chance to see what their children are working on.

However, if your child can’t do the task on a home computer, they are welcome to use the computers in the classroom before or after school.

Mathletics also offers free comprehensive reports for parents every 7 days by email.

To see your child’s progress and receive weekly reports visit www.mathletics.com.au/parent and follow the prompts. You will need your child’s username and password.

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GIRLS AND BOYS GOLF TRIALS NOMINATIONS – 2014

Nominations are being called from all schools in the Bundaberg Zone, for GIRLS and BOYS to attend the 2014 Wide Bay Golf Trials.

TRIAL DATES: Monday 24th March 2014

TIME: Tee times from 9.00am -10.00am

WHERE: Bundaberg Golf Club, One Mile Road, North Bundaberg

ELIGIBILITY: Girls & Boys born 2002, 2003 (only exceptional 10 yr olds) No 13 yr olds are eligible

EQUIPMENT: All players are expected to have their own clubs. Primary Players – 9 holes

Primary students must provide Golf Link number and AGU to participate at State Championships.

A TEAM OF UP TO 4 GIRLS and 4 BOYS will be selected to attend the WIDE BAY REGIONAL TRIALS IN BUNDABERG on Monday 24th March.

From the Regional Trials a WIDE BAY TEAM (State Championships 20 – 23 July, Oxley) will be selected.

All nominations must be sent to Peter Johnson by Wednesday 5th March. Please email student’s names to me including their AGU/Club handicap. Email: pjohn65@eq.edu.au.

Selected students for the trial will then be sent the necessary information.

All students are to provide a printout of their ‘GolfLink’ data with recent results (minimum of last 6 months) and current handicap. Non AGU members should provide relevant information from their club regarding recent golf activity.

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: Boys & Girls nominated to trial should display a high level of skills and some playing experience (preferably at Club Level) and display a sound knowledge of the rules.

Parents and teachers are urged to use discretion when sending students to these trials. Children involved with weekend competitions are worth nominating.

For further information required contact:
Peter Johnson
Gin Gin State School
41 332 333

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GIRLS AND BOYS BASKETBALL TRIALS – 2014

Nominations are being called from all schools in the Bundaberg Zone, for GIRLS and BOYS to attend the 2014 Bundaberg Zone Basketball Trials.

TRIAL DATES: Monday 3 March and Tuesday 4 March, 2014.

TIME: 3.30 – 5.00pm

WHERE: Bundaberg Basketball Stadium


WHAT TO BRING: School sport uniform, hat, water bottle, sunscreen

ZONE NOMINATION FORM signed by the nominating teacher.

A TEAM OF 12 GIRLS and 12 BOYS will be selected to attend the WIDE BAY REGIONAL TRIALS IN BUNDABERG on Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 April, 2014.

From the Regional Trials a WIDE BAY GIRLS TEAM and a WIDE BAY BOYS TEAM (State carnival 12-15 June in Townsville) will be selected.

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: Parents and teachers are urged to use discretion when sending students to these trials. Children involved with club fixtures or have displayed strong ability level in the school competition are worth sending.

For more information or to advise of a player who is interested in attending these trials but, for some reason, is unable to attend, please contact:
Di Phillips
Bargara State School
41 505333.
CITIES HOCKEY CLUB
“Come and Try”
Looking for a new sport this year—hook into hockey. Cities Hockey club is looking for new players 6 to 16 years old to join our club. If you would like to try a game of hockey, come along to our “Come and Try” afternoon and learn some hockey skills from our coaches.

For more information, please email our Club Secretary — Brendan:
citieshockey@hotmail.com

When: Tuesday 4th March, 4pm—5.30pm
Where: Hinkler Park
Cnr Thornhill St & Hinkler Ave
(Just off the northern end of the Tallon Bridge)
What to Bring: Hat, long socks and water bottle
(Hockey sticks and shin pads available)

BUS SERVICE FOR SHARON FAMILIES TO USE OAKWOOD OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Oakwood OSHC currently has a bus service available to students from Sharon School who are in need of After School Care.

The bus will depart from Sharon School and drop the children at Oakwood School for the cost of $3.30 per child per trip. Oakwood After School Care is from 3pm to 6pm.

For more information or enrolment forms, please contact Sandy on 0458 933 576 or email oakwoodasc@gmail.com

CLUB RED
Donor Centre: Bundaberg Donor Centre, Base Hospital Grounds

Collection Hours:
Monday: 12:00pm – 7:00pm
Tuesday: 7:00am – 2:00pm
Wednesday: 12:00pm – 7:00pm
Thursday: 12:00pm – 7:00pm
Friday: 7:00am – 2:00pm
Saturday: 7:00am – 2:00pm

Remember when you believed in anything and everything?
Researchers from the University of Western Australia are investigating children's ability to detect and avoid potentially harmful social interactions, such as being easily fooled or tricked into doing something. We are looking to see how this develops in children, and when children outgrow this vulnerability.
We are looking for parents of Kindergarten – Year 6 children across Australia to complete an online survey (15 – 20 minutes). Participants will go into a draw to win one of 10 $50 gift certificates to Coles/Myers. To participate go to:

http://tinyurl.com/childsvq

Or for more information please contact Rebecca Seward at (08) 6488 4652