Dear Parents,

Sail and Preppers
Jeremy – for listening and working well in phonics
Lester’s Learners
Jack K – for outstanding improvement in reading.
Double Js
Chanel – for always giving 110% in all classwork.
Jessica – for always giving her best effort and for her great manners and behaviour.
Macs
Liam – for an awesome effort with his NAPLAN Writing.
Jason- for setting a positive example to others and striving for higher standards.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

No Birthdays This Week

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR TERM 2

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Next Sausage Sizzle
Friday, 24 May
Thank you to the parents who have already volunteered. Please contact Kaz on 0423 338 253 if you can help.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE IS ON EVERY FRIDAY
with sausages and Home Ice-cream ice blocks.
Sausage and bread $1.20  Ice block $1
Sausage and ice block deal $2

Roster Term 2
24/5 Carmel Heale
31/5 Hayley Lerch 7/6 Kaz Field
14/6 Karen Dixon 21/6 Tracey Duncan

SCHOOL ATHLETICS – 2013 Interhouse sports Monday 3 June and Thursday 6 June.
Our interhouse sports are on MONDAY 3 June and THURSDAY 6 June. Our program is the same as last year.
MONDAY – All field events and 800m. This day is for children born in 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001 and 2000.
THURSDAY – All races, finals of any heats, relays and ballgames. All children are involved on this day.

FAREWELL & THANK YOU MRS REDSHAW
It’s the end of an era at Sharon with Mrs Redshaw’s final day with us on Friday, 24 May. The students will get a chance to say a good-bye together on parade that morning. Parents are more than welcome to attend if you get a chance.

HOT DOG DAY – THURSDAY. $2 EACH
Hot dogs will be available this Thursday as usual. We’re finding that it’s a massive help getting orders in a day or two early. However, orders are still welcome on Thursday morning.
Mrs Mac is aware that she owes some children ice-blocks. They are on their way from Antarctica and should arrive soon.

WINTER UNIFORM – THANK YOU
We’ve had a great response to last week’s newsletter request for royal blue jumpers to be worn to school. I’ve noticed some children in new royal blue jumpers which suggests that there might be some on sale in town. I happened to notice some royal blue jumpers, shorts and skorts at a reasonable price in a certain store between two banks in the main street. Other stores may have some in stock as well.
Please remember to name jumpers. The cool mornings are giving way to fantastic days. The jumpers are often abandoned as the day improves.

This year has been harder than most on families. If ever purchasing a uniform is a genuine financial difficulty, please contact me and I’ll do whatever I can to help.

From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, if you happen to shop at Woolworths, you will be given Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent, excluding cigarettes, liquor and gift cards.
By collecting these Woolworths Earn & Learn Points, we will be able to redeem them for educational resources. The points are allocated by the checkout operator handing you stickers. These stickers are then stuck on a special Earn & Learn Sheet. The sheet can be obtained from the checkout operator or downloaded from the internet at: http://www.woolworths.com.au
More sheets are available in classrooms.

AUSTRALIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS MATHS OLYMPIAD
Once again, the older students in our school are taking part in the Australian Schools Maths Olympiad (APSMO).
The annual APSMO Maths Olympiads have been operating since 1987. Every year, schools from all over Australia, New Zealand and other neighbouring countries take part. Approximately 41,400 students took part in the 2012 contests.
The Olympiads consist of five separate contests held approximately one month apart between May and September. The overall aim is to encourage students to develop important mathematical problem solving skills in an enjoyable environment.

Our first Olympiad took place this morning. I've pasted a couple of questions from this morning's Olympiad below for parents and older siblings to try out. Notice the time limits. Answers next week.

IC. Time: 5 minutes
On a long car trip, a family drove for one hour at 60 km per hour, then for two hours at 90 km per hour, then for three hours at 100 km per hour.

For the whole trip, what was their average speed in km per hour?

ID. Time: 5 minutes
The large rectangle in the diagram has an area of 60. There is a small square in the interior of the rectangle.

What is the area of the square?

Corey Hanks receiving his 2nd place certificate, at the Rostrum Voice of Youth, from the chairman of judges, Leanne Bull.

Kind regards,

Kids’ Boot Camp
In an effort to develop good fitness habits in children, Steph Cormack from BODY SCULPT TRAINING will conduct fun KIDS BOOT CAMP for children aged 5-12 at Sharon State School every second Wednesday from 3:30pm running for 45mins. Session cost will be $7 per child. Sessions started on Wednesday the 24th of April. With the next session being today, Wednesday, 22 May. Please come along and have a try! For further details, please contact Steph on 0458 198 910.

1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462)

Have you ever felt left in the dark about your asthma? Unsure about the medications you are taking or need further information about how to best manage your condition? Don’t worry, Asthma Foundation Queensland is here to help.

1800 ASTHMA is a free asthma education and support telephone service for Queenslanders living with asthma and their caregivers. Speak one-on-one with an experienced Asthma Educator about your asthma (or your child's asthma), and learn about medications, correct device technique, trigger factors, asthma action plans, asthma first aid and much more. Each telephone conversation is specially tailored to suit your needs at the time.

No question is too difficult to answer – give us a call today!

1800 ASTHMA operates from 9:00am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday.
**RECOVERY PAYMENTS FROM CENTRELINK**

The Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) is available to assist people who have been adversely affected by the Queensland floods and severe weather that began on 21 January 2013 through until 9 February 2013.

- You have until 29 July 2013 to lodge a claim if you live in the Bundaberg or Fraser Coast Local Government Area.
- You have until 1 August 2013 to lodge a claim if you live in the North Burnett Local Government area.

You don’t have to be receiving an income support payment from Centrelink to lodge a claim – payment can be made for anyone who was affected and meets the criteria. You can check your eligibility and lodge a claim online at humanservices.gov.au/disaster, or call 1800 22 66.

The Centrelink, Medicare and Child Support Service Centre at 26 Woongarra Street, Bundaberg, is open 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday.

The Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) provides $1,000 for each eligible adult and $400 for each eligible child in declared areas who:

- was seriously injured, or
- is the immediate family of an Australian killed in the disaster, or
- whose home was destroyed or sustained major damage, or
- was stranded, or unable to gain access to their home for more than 24 hours, or
- whose home was without essential services such as electricity, water, gas or sewerage for at least 48 hours.

The Disaster Income Recovery Subsidy (DIRS) is also available to employees, small business persons and farmers who can demonstrate loss of income.

You have until 4 August 2013 to lodge a claim for DIRS.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITIES, CHILD SAFETY & DISABILITY SERVICES**

The Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services will now begin to focusing on providing longer term assistance and support to the Bundaberg and North Burnett Communities in the wake of the floods associated with ex Tropical Cyclone Oswald. The longer term Community Recovery Referral and Information Centre (CRRIC) has been established at the Bundaberg Enterprise Centre which is located at 26b Quay Street, Bundaberg. The CRRIC provides a one-stop-shop for advice, general human services information and referrals to appropriate support services in addition to information regarding rebuilds and clean up. The CRRIC is operated Monday to Friday from 8am to 5pm. If you wish to make an appointment, please contact the Call Centre on 1800 173 349. The Emergent Assistance Grant has now closed, however if you are uninsured, you may still be eligible for the Essential Household Contents Grant, the Structural Assistance Grant or the Essential Safety Services Reconnection grant. For details visit the website www.qld.gov.au/community/disasters-emergencies or call 1800 173 349.

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**FACING THE FUTURE TOGETHER**

**A Community Gathering in your Community REBUILD, SHARE & CONNECT**

UnitingCare Community with the kind support of The Rotary Club of Bundaberg East and Rotary district 9570 are hosting a series of free community gatherings that will explore a range of ideas and issues that are designed to assist our community to recover from the recent disaster events. Some of the ideas that will be explored include; the impact of the recent disaster and how to rebuild and deal with stress, creating and strengthening connections, understanding common emotions during loss and change and planning and moving forward. If you’re interested in learning more about these events or would like us to visit your community, please call our Bundaberg office on 4153 8400 for more information. UnitingCare also offers a full range of counselling services for men, women, children and families.

LIFELINE OFFERS 24 HOUR TELEPHONE CRISIS SUPPORT ON 13 11 14.
INFRASTRUCTURE AND PLANNING

WATER & WASTEWATER

The flooding of the Burnett River in January this year had taken Council’s treatment plants at Millbank, East Bundaberg and North Bundaberg offline and had compromises Council’s ability to treat effluent. All treatment process units have been reinstated to provide full chlorination. Further testing of the Burnett River has been undertaken since the reinstatement of the treatment process units and results confirm that the water quality has returned to pre-flood conditions and within the safety guidelines for recreational uses.

This incident highlighted the need for Bundaberg Regional Council to provide a flood resilient Wastewater Treatment Plant model and Council is currently pursuing planning for a new treatment plant at Rubyna with a construction cost of $90 Million. The proposed plant will take the effluent from East Bundaberg and North Bundaberg for treatment.

Council has engaged a contractor, Dunstans Construction Group to replace the submarine sewerage main under the Burnett River. Council has deployed a contingency plan to utilise an old existing main on the Burnett River Traffic Bridge to transport North Bundaberg Sewage to the East Plant. This is a priority project for Council and it is planned to commence boring work in June with an aim to have the project completed by October 2013.

FLOOD MITIGATION WORKS

Council is looking at a number of options to mitigate the impacts of flooding in Bundaberg. These investigations are being undertaken for Council by GHD Pty Ltd. It’s important that the cost of any mitigation works undertaken provide significant benefits for the money invested. Council is looking at numerous options on how best flood mitigation can be achieved. These options include levy banks, dredging of the river in certain sections, clearing of mangroves and diversion channels. The construction of any works will be dependent upon funding being received from the State and Federal Governments.

PLANNING RESPONSE TO THE 2013 FLOOD - TLPI

Council has recently adopted a Temporary Local Planning Instrument (TLPI) to administer policies set down to plan flood resilience for areas of Bundaberg affected by the 2013 Burnett River Flooding. Council is currently seeking feedback from residents and members of the community on the TLPI and a feedback form requesting comment on specific questions may be obtained from Council’s website at www.bundaberg.qld.gov.au - Building & Planning Flood Recovery - Have Your Say.

Council has developed a series of User Guides to assist residents and business owners with the repairing and rebuilding process as a result of the 2013 flood event. User Guides are also available on this website including mapping of the Natural Hazard Management Area which is the area of the Burnett River catchment affected by the 2013 Flood.