Dear Parents,

S&S
Cooper – for lovely handwriting and being a great reading buddy

LLS
Rhys – for continuing contributions to group discussions
Hayley – for your hard work learning your sight words

PJs
Connor – for making an effort to improve his handwriting
Riley – for being super speedy in his doubles
Mad Minute this week

MACS
Tony – for his friendly caring attitude and making great progress in Maths
Jack K – for being on fire in problem solving this week

August
21st – Jaime
26th - Kobe

DATES TO REMEMBER

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SAUSAGE SIZZLE IS ON EVERY FRIDAY
with sausages and Home Brand ice blocks.

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Roster – Term 3

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If you can find time to roll some sausages around a hotplate on the odd Friday, please contact Kaz on 4155 9999 so you can be added to the roster.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club Brochures for issue no. 6 have gone home. Orders are due back at school by Wednesday, 3rd of September. Please allow one week after that date for delivery. Build, Discover Survive! Mastering Minecraft from BradyGames is no longer available for order or supply. This book is featured on Star Book Club Issue 6, item #402 (front cover).

LOST AND FOUND

Gold stud earring found – if you have lost one please call into the office.

Parents, we have a number of unnamed small size jumpers found and not claimed, please call into the office if your child has lost one.

BUY A BALE

Students in the PJs would like to raise some more money for BuyaBale. The month of September is “Great Outback BBQ Month” and according to Grahame Ryan of Frontier Services, “The BBQ concept is truly Australian and what better way than to help our farmers is to have a BBQ and donate a few bucks to get them through.”

The students would like to donate all proceeds from the Sausage Sizzle on Friday 5 September to this worthy cause. If you have any objections, please contact the office before Monday 25 August.

EXCURSION REMINDER – BOTANICAL GARDENS

This Thursday afternoon, the Lester’s Learners and Year 1&2 students from the PJ’s class will be travelling to the Botanical Gardens for their History and Geography excursion. Thank you to everyone for returning their payment and permission slips on time.

Please ensure your child has a hat, water bottle, their usual lunch, fruit and afternoon tea and a school jumper. We will have our fruit and lunch at school before we leave and will have our afternoon tea at the Botanical Gardens. We are looking forward to a fun and educational afternoon!

INTERSchool SPORT – YEARS 5, 6 & 7 –
Starts Friday 15 August

Sport this term is Netball and Touch. 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 and incomplete work only emerging on Friday mornings. Students in the Macs 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 your written permission to take your child out of the school.

Last week we sent home notes to help indicate whether or not their child has their permission to travel away to sport on specific dates.

You can still withdraw permission by contacting us right up to the day of departure.

We still need $3 to go towards the cost of the bus when we do travel. Each travelling child needs to bring $3 for the bus in a cash collection envelope which is placed in their classroom collection box. Because of the uncertainty of who will be playing week to week, it’s probably best to leave this payment until the day of the game or even the Monday of the following week. You do not need permission or money for home games.
**DRAW**
22 August Kolan South at Sharon
29 August *Gin Gin at Gin Gin
5 September *Kolan South at Kolan South
12 September Wallaville at Sharon

* 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.

**SPELLDROME HIGH FLIERS**
Students in the Macs class only have to score 300 points in Spellodrome each week. However, quite a few live up to our school motto of “Aim Ever Higher” and go well beyond that minimum expectation.

Special congratulations to Noah (1 250 points), Jay (1 120 points) and last week’s top scorer, Scarlett (1 330 points) who all finished with fantastic scores in Spellodrome last week.

**NAPLAN NUMERACY RESULTS**
Last week, I shared with you some of the questions from the NAPLAN Numeracy Test which proved difficult for our kids. How did you go?

**Year 3:**
Lucy buys an apple and a sandwich for lunch.

![Apple](image.jpg)

$1.90

She pays with a $5 note and gets back $2.00 change.

How much does the apple cost?

**Answer:**
If Lucy gets $2 change from $5, she must have spent $3. We know that the sandwich costs $1.90. That leaves $1.10 ($3 - $1.90) for the cost of the apple.

**Year 5:**

![Diagram](image.jpg)

Levi walked south along Lilly Street and then turned right on to Iris Street.

What was the first street he passed on his left?

**Answer:**
Most of our 5s, (who did exceptionally well in the test), chose “Violet Street” as their answer. “Rose Street” was also popular.

Apart from perhaps walking backwards along Lilly Street or getting confused with their left & right, we’re not sure why so many picked the options. The Year 5s don’t know either.

“Tulip Street” is the correct answer.

**Year 7 (Calculator Allowed):**

Alex has a rectangular room, 3.2 metres long and 2.4 metres wide.

She wants to cover the floor of her room with these square tiles.

![Tiles](image.jpg)

How many packs of tiles does Alex need?

**Answer:**
The first step is to realise that the question has used 2 different units of measurement – metres and centimetres. It’s usually easier to express both as the smaller unit. Thus, the room is 320 cm (3.2m) long and 240 cm (2.4m) wide.

Next we find the area of Alex’s room. It’s a rectangular room, so we multiply the Length by the Width and get 76 800 cm$^2$ (320 cm x 240 cm).

Each tile is 40cm x 40cm or, in other words, 1 600 cm$^2$.

There are 6 tiles in each pack. Thus, using all 6 tiles in a pack will cover an area of 9 600 cm$^2$ (6 x 1 600 cm$^2$).

All that’s left to do is to see how many times 9 600 cm$^2$ will fit into 76 800 cm$^2$. 76 800 cm$^2$ divided by 9 600 cm$^2$ = 8.

**Answer:** Alex needs 8 packs of tiles.

**Year 7 (Non-calculator):**

The fraction $\frac{1}{8}$ equals 0.125 as a decimal.

What does $\frac{1}{16}$ equal as a decimal?

**Answer:** $\frac{1}{16}$ is half
the size of 1/8. Thus, we simply have to halve 0.125. 0.125 has the same value as 0.1250. Half of 0.1250 is \(0.0625\).

**PROBLEM OF THE WEEK**

**Last Week**
Sadie and Rose run around a circular track in opposite directions. They each run at their own constant speed and pass each other every 30 seconds. Sadie requires 45 seconds to go around the track once.

How many seconds does it take for Rose to complete one lap?

At first, it sounds as if we haven’t been given enough information. When this happens, we focus on what we do know.

We know that Sadie does a full lap in 45 seconds. We also know that Sadie runs into Rose when she’s 30 seconds into the lap. In other words, she has run 30 seconds out of the 45 seconds it takes to run a full lap. We can write this as a fraction – 30/45. In simplest terms, 30/45 is 2/3.

We now know that Sadie is 2/3 of the way around and Rosie is running the other way. It’s taken Rosie 30 seconds to get 1/3 of the way around. Therefore, Rosie will take 90 seconds to complete one lap.

**This Week**
Tom has a solid wooden block that is 4cm x 4cm x 4cm. Fred removes a 1cm x 1cm x 2cm block from one corner Tom’s block. (I’ve pasted in an illustration. The kids did not have the illustration when they attempted to solve this problem.)

Tom and Fred then paint all the faces of the two blocks. What is the total area that the boys have painted?

**SMILE AWHILE**

Q: How did the telephone propose to his girlfriend?  
A: He gave her a ring.

Q: Why didn’t the clock work?  
A: It needed a hand!

Q: What do you call a pig that does karate?  
A: A pork chop.

An English professor announced to the class; "There are two words I don’t allow in my class. One is gross and the other is cool."

From the back of the room a voice called out, "Yeah? So, what are the words?"

**SCHOOL RULES**

Our school has identified the following 3 overriding school rules to teach and promote our high standards of responsible behaviour. They’re all based on the idea of “caring”.

- Care for yourself  
- Care for others  
- Care for your environment

Caring for yourself can be as simple as eating a good breakfast, your fruit break fruit, all your lunch from home and drinking plenty of water through the day.

**NAPLAN READING RESULTS**

Results from the NAPLAN reading tests held in May have been released. The following graphs compare the percentage of students, from Qld & Sharon, who selected correct answers for each question. Once again, we’re delighted with the results.
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a magical extravaganza

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Next Meeting:
The next P&C meeting will be held in the library on Thursday, 11 September at 7:00pm. Everyone is very welcome.

Tuckshop:
We have had great support for the changes to the tuckshop menu – thank you to all staff, parents and students for their support.

South Kolan Hotel Cent Sale:
A huge thank you to all those who volunteer their time at school, at the cent sale and providing baked goods. Your help and the wonderful support from the community continue to make our cent sales successful.

Our next Cent Sale will be on Saturday 20 September at 1:30pm.

VOLUNTEER SHEET – If you are able to help out with preparation on Friday or help on the Saturday of the cent sale, please see Sharon in the Office for further details.

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