Dear Parents,

Salt and Preppers
Toa – for consistent great effort and lovely manners
Jack – for excellent sentence writing in History and English

Lester’s Learners
Teleisha – for her wonderful work ethic and beautiful manners

Double Js
Mitchell – for an awesome effort in our class musical
Jahvin – for a great comedic performance in our class musical

Macs
Jamie – for stepping up to the mark to help out when it was needed
Natalie – for stepping up to the mark to help when it was needed
D-Jay – for sparking up his enthusiasm with his approach to his work

October
9th – Tayla
10th – Tia
13th – Chelsea
15th – Logan
16th – Rhyse

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR TERM 4
Monday, 7 October Pupil Free Day
Tuesday, 8 October Students return to school
Thursday, 10 October P&C Meeting
Thursday, 31 October 9-10:30am Prep Parent Info Morning

First Sausage Sizzle for Term 4
Friday, 11th October
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 $1.00
Sausage and ice block deal $2.00

Roster Term 4
17th October – Kaz Field
25th October – Denise Reidy
8th November – Carmel Heal
22nd November – Kaz Field
6th December – Denise Reidy
18th October – Karyn Dixon
1st November – Julie Collyer
15th November – Hayley Larch
29th November – Karyn Dixon

HOT DOG THURSDAY
Don’t forget you can pay $18 tomorrow which will get you Hot Dogs every Thursday until the end of term. YUMMMY!!

BUNDABERG NORTH STATE HIGH SCHOOL
YEAR 7 into 8 ENROLMENT EVENING
Wednesday 16th October
(See Back Page for Details)

SWIMMING YEAR 4-7 – TERM 4
Swimming starts on Thursday 17th October and runs for 7 weeks concluding on Thursday 28th November. Lessons are at Bundaberg Swimming Academy from 1:00pm to 2:00pm – Bus departs at 12:20pm to return by 3:00pm.

1. PROPER SWIMMING COSTUME
(Our preference is for a ONE PIECE costume for girls. It's difficult to make a hard fast rule as there are some 2 pieces which can be acceptable. What we're trying to avoid is excessive sun exposure or a bikini glamour contest. If in doubt ask us or simply send in a t-shirt to wear with the costume.)

2. A Towel
3. Sunscreen (not coloured zinc) for the outdoor group.
4. A SUNSAFE T-Shirt is recommended for the outdoor pool group.
5. A Swimming bag for the above items (a plastic or environmental bag will do).
6. Children with long hair must wear swimming caps or elastic bands to allow clear vision and breathing.

BELONGINGS ARE TO BE CLEARLY NAMED
(UNIFORMS IN PARTICULAR.)
Payment of $45 must be made by COB 16th October via BPAY, EFTPOS or Cash.

WANT OUR NEWSLETTER EMAILED?
If you’d like our newsletter emailed to you, please email us with “newsletter email” in the subject heading. Please keep in mind that, if I email a newsletter to you, I won’t be handing a newsletter out to your child at school.

PREP STUDENTS FOR 2014 – PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
Please contact the office for an Enrolment Pack if you have children starting Prep at Sharon School next year or know someone who is enrolling in Prep at Sharon next year.

A Parent Enrolment/Information session is organised for Thursday morning 31 October 9:00am-10:15am in the Salt 'n' Preppers' classroom with Mrs Wendy Searle. Please bring your completed enrolment forms and birth certificate for your interview with Mrs Searle.

There will also be a Prep Morning on Thursday 21st November from 9:00-11:00am for prospective Preps to come along without Mum and Dad and have some fun.
HEAD LICE

Several cases of headlice have been reported in the school in several classes.

Headlice, while not life-threatening, are a problem in any community. Unfortunately, they are not always easy to detect. Because schools are a gathering point in a community, inevitably we will notice a case at the school or a parent will let us know that they've found lice on their child.

Responses from parents on being advised of their child having headlice have ranged from embarrassment and apologies to outright "fury" at why we're not doing something to stop the problem. Neither response is necessary.

The school does NOT think you are dirty or negligent if your child has lice. It can happen to anyone at anytime. If anything, we consider you just plain unlucky! Headlice seem to have preferences for individuals in much the same way as mosquitoes will bother some people more than others.

At the same time, Sharon School is NOT responsible for the presence of headlice anymore than we're responsible for the presence of the common cold. It is a society problem – NOT a school one. It's just that the headlice are more likely to be noticed at school. We do what we reasonably can but cannot be expected to eliminate lice from the world. (N.B. If I could, I wouldn't be working here. I'd be relaxing in one of my many coastal residences waiting for the royalty cheques to be deposited into a fat bank account!)

Over the years we've come to believe that the "Conditioner Comb Out Method" is the best method for checking for the presence of lice. In turn, it is also very effective at eliminating the lice if it is carried out weekly. Please don't assume that because your child doesn't scratch, they won't have lice. Research has indicated that up to 50% of people who have lice do not itch.

Head Lice Repellent

Unless you believe that:

1. Everyone at our school checks and treats their family for head lice, AND
2. They are checked/treated on a regular basis AND
3. The treatment is 100% effective AND
4. None of the children from Sharon come into contact with people outside our school community, then we have to assume that head lice will inevitably appear in our school and an effective REPELLENT is the best protection for your child from lice infestation.

I've had two repellent recipes recommended to me by school families in the past.

Recipe One
Into a Spray Bottle put 120 mL of water. Then add:
- 1 tablespoon of hair conditioner (this must go in first)
- 20 drops of tea tree oil
- 20 drops of lavender oil
- 20 drops of rosemary oil
- 1 small teaspoon of white vinegar

Shake this together really well. You will also need to shake the bottle before each use. Spray into wet or dry hair – particularly around the ears and nape of the neck.

Recipe Two
In a spray bottle mix:
- 30 drops of tea tree oil
- 20 mL of vinegar
- 1 tablespoon of conditioner
- 500 mL of water

Spray on hair daily as a preventative.

If you have had success with any other repellent recipes, or commercial repellents, please pass them on to me. I'm not supposed to promote specific commercial brands (but I can start a rumour!). I'm more than happy to publish recipes in the newsletter.

PAYING BY EFTPOS

Our EFTPOS machine is now installed in the office. If you wish to make larger payments, please see Sharon in the office.

E.g. Swimming $45, Hot Dog $18, Sausage Sizzle $20

BOOK CLUB ISSUE 5 MYSTERY

We would really like to finalise this matter because there is a credit with Scholastic which we believe is credit card payments from parents. Unfortunately we cannot get the credit unless we can identify the owner. Please notify Sharon (in the office) or Sue (in the library). The books were handed out with the credit slip still intact and we have no record of those people who paid by credit card. We're sorry for any inconvenience and thank you for your assistance in this matter.

SMILE AWHAILE

Why was the maths book unhappy?
It had too many problems!

TEACHER: Why do they say the pen is mightier than the sword?
PUPIL: Because no one has yet invented a ballpoint sword.

Teacher: Can you tell me something important that didn't exist 100 years ago?
Pupil: Me!

Kind regards,

P & C NEWS

TUCKSHOP - Tuckshop will resume on Tuesday 15th October, 2nd week of Term 4.

P & C MEETING - The next P & C meeting will be held on Thursday 17th October, @ 7.00pm in the school library. All very welcome.
GET A FAMILY TEAM TOGETHER & DO A TRIATHLON

When: Sunday, 27th October 2013
Where: Mon Repos Beach
Time: 7.00am
Visit us Online at: www.bargaratri.org.au
Cameron McWha: 0427 033 422 Secretary
Angus McLean: 0417 707 691 President

PUBLIC NOTICES

"Step into the ART ZONE at CQU on Saturday, 19th October, for the Carinbundi Children's CRUSH Day - part of the Bundaberg Regional Council CRUSH Festival. This is a day of free art activities and workshops for children, running from 9am to 3.30pm. Fabric dyeing, creative writing, jewellery making, visual arts and much more! To find out more or to book into a workshop, go to www.crushfestivalqld.com.au/program/childrens-crush-day, or simply turn up on the day for some 'free-range' activities!"

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YEAR 7 into 8 ENROLMENT EVENING
Wednesday 16th October
North Bundaberg SHS Hall – Marks Street, North Bundaberg
Session 1 – 3:30pm – 4:30pm
Session 2 – 5:30pm – 6:30pm

- If your student is enrolling in Year 8 for 2014 at North Bundaberg State High School it is important that you attend one of these sessions

- Enrolment forms can be printed from our website www.bundnorthshs.eq.edu.au

- You will be required to bring an original birth certificate and a copy of the student’s birth certificate as well as a completed enrolment form

- Limited places are available in our LEAP program (Leading Extension Academic Program)- Applications are on the website (Curriculum – Excellence Programs- LEAP)

- For more information please contact our office Monday to Friday 8am until 4pm on 41300222