Hi Parents

Thank you all for ensuring your swimming money and notes have been returned. We had our entire school swimming on Monday and it was a great afternoon. It all seemed to run extremely smoothly!

On Wednesday we had our camp meeting. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend. For those who were unable to make it, I have attached the medical details and the “what to bring” note to your newsletter. Please ensure you return the medical details form on Monday. We need to start finalising some arrangements and this information is extremely important. A reminder that the balance of $100 per student is to be paid no later than Friday 31st October.

Due to unforeseen circumstances a parent has had to pull out from camp. This opens up ONE spot for a parent. A reminder that the cost for the parents was $360 as parents are not subsidised by the P&C. It will be a fun and active camp with fantastic activities planned from morning until bed time, but unfortunately we can’t cater for younger siblings.

Don’t forget we have a student-free day on Monday. Students are not required to be at school on this day. Our support staff will be attending PD in Rocky and teachers will be developing a curriculum document for writing.

Reports will be distributed on Friday 5th December this term. In your reports you will notice an achievement grade and an effort grade for all subjects taught. This effort grade was discussed at P&C meeting this week and has been attached for your reference. Please contact the school if you have any questions about this.

Don’t forget the Ready Readers program will be run this term. This program is very worthwhile as it provides practical tips on reading with your children, whether they are pre-schoolers, junior or senior students. The session takes 2 hours and will be run from 9-11am on Wednesday 5th November. Please RSVP by Monday 3rd November for catering and resources. This is open to the entire community so please bring along a friend and let others out there know about it.

We have a couple of special days coming up. Day for Daniel is on Friday 31st October and Chopper Rescue Day is on Friday 7th November. On Day for Daniel, students will be allowed to wear red as we remind ourselves of the importance of personal safety and recognising warning signs when things aren’t quite right.

Chopper Rescue Day is to raise money for the RACQ Rescue Helicopter which relies on community donations to keep flying. The Rescue Helicopter is utilised from St Lawrence to Agnes Waters, including Biloela. This will be a yellow day where students are able to dress in yellow for a $2 donation. Treat kitchen will also take place on this day with all profits being donated to this wonderful cause.

High School Enrolments 2015

Those students who are wanting to enrol at Biloela State High School for next year but are yet to do so are asked that this occurs by the end of next week. You will need to make an appointment with BSHS directly and take with you all enrolment paperwork. Please contact Biloela State High School on 4992 8666 for more information.

Support-a-reader

If you are available from 2 o’clock on either Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays this term and could help with Support-a-reader, please let the office know. We have found that students who read on a regular basis improve their reading level and comprehension ability by a great amount. You will work one-on-one with a student, listen to them read and ask some questions along the way. It’s not the same as reading with your own child so don’t be put off if it’s sometimes a “battle” at home as Support-a-reader is a different experience:

Graduation Day

Year 6 & 7 Graduation Day will be on Monday 24th November at Jambin. More information will be sent home shortly.

RSL RAFFLES

Our next date for doing the raffles at the Anzac Memorial Club will be on Friday 7th November, 6:30-7:30pm. Please contact the office if you are able to help out with this.

P&C BBQ

The P&C End of Year BBQ will take place on Friday 5th December. Students have been learning some square dances so it is sure to be a lot of fun!

Mobile Library

After receiving feedback from students, the mobile library is returning! The library will visit Prospect Creek every second Tuesday between 11-11:45am on the way to Banana. We have library cards for most students and other students can have their cards organised on Tuesday. The books borrowed from the mobile library are on loan from the Biloela Library and will be the responsibility of the student. They will be expected to return the book on time to avoid a fee (as per Biloela Library policy). Please inform your child and the school if you do NOT want your child to borrow from the mobile library.
Another week flies by once more. Only three to go till camp!!!

Many thanks to all those that are ensuring the children are doing all their homework. This little snap shot shows our improved literacy program is working! I had a bit of a chuckle when I read it. Due to lack of manners however, it will have to remain as part of homework.

We also had an interesting phenomena this week after the storm. Our tree was covered in lady bugs. We figure they were probably sheltering there.

Our 6 and 7 students are already starting to talk about graduation. We have been collating all our photos and we are looking forward to putting our presentation together. If you have any photos at home from school that we could add, please bring them in to school.

This week students have been learning about topic sentences. If you get the local paper, encourage your child to read an article and locate the topic sentence.

Students are enjoying the couple of extra computers that have been set up in the class – this takes us up to 12!

Enjoy these few examples of poetic responses from slides displayed by Mrs Terwin on Wednesday.

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**Thank You For Fighting For Us**

Thank you for fighting for us,
Thank you for keeping our country clear,
But why are our troops being sent overseas
to fight with other countries
This isn’t fair
Why...
Thank you for caring about us,
Thank you for the people who died for us,
But why are our troops being sent overseas
to fight with other countries
This isn’t fair
Why...
Thank you for protecting us,
Like a herd of cattle,
Thank you once and for all,
But why are our troops being sent overseas
to fight with other countries
This isn’t fair
Why...
Shakira Johnson

**Today was different from then**

Children today and children hundreds of years away,
In the olden days
Black and white prints
Hearts of gold
The day when kids got sold

Different from now,
They found their own way
No question asked just hard work all day
No shoes
No education
No food
No peace
But all they manage to stand together
And they manage to fight forever

Charley Ann McQuade - Hall

**Unite As One**

Racism taking over people,
Stereotypes are all over the newspapers,
Getting banned from public transport,
Having human rights being removed from life.

Unite as one!
Judging people by their skin,
Making people feel like they’re not human,
Treating people with no respect,
Pushing away and making them feel sad.

Unite as one!
Tears flow down people’s faces,
Different cultures aren’t considered human,
Fleeing from towns so you don’t get put in gaol,
Not being able to be treated nicely.

Unite as one!
Hope glistens in the future for these people,
Getting human rights and being declared human.
Racism dies out and so do stereotypes,
Disrespect is not how people are treated.

Unite as one!
Jock Youles
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Corby Wormington – 17 Oct

Expression of interest for casual grounds care position
5 hrs per fortnight
Immediate start
For further details please contact the office or email
the.principal@proscress.eq.edu

School Attendance Term 4

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TARGET — 95%

Students of the Week

Aaron Hite — Working hard to keep on the lines and remember spaces in writing.
Ezekiel Jackson — Pushing himself to improve in maths
DATES TO REMEMBER

Gazetted Student Free Day — Monday 20th October
Bookclub — Friday 24th October (due back)
Day for Daniel — Friday 31st October
Ready Readers Program — Wednesday 5th November 9-11am
Capricorn Helicopter Rescue Day — Friday 7th November
RSL Raffles — Friday 7th November 6.30pm
School camp — Monday 10th to Friday 14th November
Year 6 & 7 Graduation — Monday 24th November at Jambin
Reports sent home — Friday 5th December
P&C End of Year BBQ — Friday 5th December 5.00pm
Last day of term — Friday 12th December

INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER:

- Goovigen family fun day flyer
- Celebrate Grandparents day postcard / sticker