Hi Parents

It has been great to settle back into a week with the kids again and wonderful to see them enjoying the opportunities that our school offers. This week was the final week of the Rugby League clinics. Rod Dahl has visited our school for the past three weeks, teaching our students rugby league skills and drills. Rod will be back at the end of the term to facilitate our Gala Day with the other 3-6 students in our cluster.

This week we have celebrated NAIDOC Day. We had a special guest come and perform ‘Island Dreaming’ and we welcomed Mount Murchison State School students to our school. Thank you to the families who also came. We value and welcome you into our school and enjoy sharing our learning with you.

As you would be aware, our school was invited to be part of a research project with Griffith University. We are trialling and reflecting on age appropriate ways of teaching and learning in our multi-age classrooms. We have developed an action plan with the Research Team and will have visits from Regional Office and the Research Team over the next six months. Prospect Creek is extremely lucky to be part of such an exciting project and I look forward to sharing this more at the P&C meeting next Tuesday afternoon (11 August) at 3:30pm.

It is that time of the year when we start preparing for our swimming program. As you know, our swimming program is run by our staff and wonderful volunteers. We do require this help again next term, so please consider putting your name forward. All lessons are planned and you can, if you wish, put in a preference for an ability level. The school covers pool entry for all volunteers. Swimming in Term Four will take place on Friday afternoons from 1:30pm to 2:30pm. A note will be sent home with the newsletter next week. The cost for the term will be $45. This is heavily subsidised by the school and payment will be required prior to the swimming program starting.

Next week our P-2 students travel to Goovigen to participate in the Under 8s Day. This is a wonderful opportunity for our P-2s to mix with other students in our cluster of a similar age. They will be involved in lots of art and craft activities and will travel on the bus with Mrs M. and Mrs Gardiner. The school will cover the cost of the bus for the day but please remember to bring in your notes ASAP if you haven’t already done so.

Thank you to those families who are returning medication forms for camp. This is a requirement for any required medication – including Paracetamol. Please remember that without the doctor’s label and this form completed, we are unable to administer any medication. We only have one week of school left before we go so if you do have any questions in the lead up to camp, don’t hesitate to contact me.

The 3-6 students have been busy working on their persuasive speeches. The school competition will take place on Monday 31 August at 9:30am. Judges for this are being organised and the top three Year 5-6 students will compete in Goovigen at 4pm on Monday 7 August.

Just a reminder that school photos will take place on Wednesday 9 September. Please mark this date in your calendar and be sure to have students’ best uniforms ready!
**P-2 NEWS**

This week in P-2 we have enjoyed learning about time at Maths and had lots of fun designing our own clocks.

We also enjoyed the story of ‘The Bad-Tempered Ladybird’ which helped us understand the concept of time and also focuses on being a good mannered friend.

The students are doing well with their writing and have been producing some great work.

We have started a new unit in Geography about ‘My Special Place’ and we are all looking forward to sharing some great stories.

Mrs Mutandwa

**OUT OF UNIFORM DAY**

Out of Uniform Day – Next Friday 14 August

We have appreciated all the lolly jars that have been coming in to school but we still require more – LOTS MORE!

We will have another two out of uniform days before Market Day. One next Friday and one for the P-2 classroom the following Friday. Please bring in your jar (or goodies to place in a jar) to school.

Also, if you have any spare jars or goodies to bring in, it would be appreciated.

So enjoy wearing free dress, wash out the next vegemite or minced garlic jar and fill it with something special. It doesn’t have to be expensive!

**HELP PLEASE— RAFFLE TICKETS**

Thank you to Trudy Tappin who has organised a raffle for our Market Day. We will need some helpers to sell raffle tickets for this at Biloela Shoppingworld on Monday 10th, Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th August. Can you please consider putting your hand up to sell raffle tickets on one of these dates? Thank you for your help

**WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN**

We are asking you to COLLECT! COLLECT! COLLECT! Our families are already doing a terrific job in collecting Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers. The more you collect, the more our students get! So please encourage family members, extended family members, and super-extended family members to collect on our behalf as well!

Help us meet our target for week 4 of Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers.
This week, students have been thinking about who they would like to share a room with on camp. This has been a big decision for the students and it is great that they get to share their room with students from Jambin too. We are getting excited!

Don’t forget, it is an early start on the Monday and they are going to be big days so make sure to get plenty of rest in the week leading up to camp.

Part of the homework expectation is that students complete their writing task on the edStudio. The edStudio is available all day at school for those students who are unable to access it at home. This not only helps with their typing skills but gets them used to an online environment in a safe and supervised way. Students working on their edStudio is a follow up to what they are doing in class. They all have a page and should have all written their individual reading and writing goals on their page. Be sure to go in and have a look at what they are doing.

Mrs Northey

Science – last week and this week we conducted experiments which looked at how temperatures affect substances

Geography – Studying the map of the world and Australia

Art - Fun with shadow puppets

Mrs Baird
DATES TO REMEMBER

No Mobile Library this week
P&C Meeting—Tuesday 11 August 3.30pm
Under 8’s / Year 3-6 Sports Day—Friday 14 August Goovigen SS
Out of uniform day—3-6 Friday 14 August

3-6 School Camp—Monday 17 August to Friday 21 August
Out of uniform day—P-2 Friday 21 August

Mobile Library—Tuesday 25 August
Market Day Fair & Open Day—Saturday 29 August
Persuasive Speaking—Prospect Creek State School - Monday 31 August
Persuasive speaking competition—Monday 7 September Goovigen SS
Mobile Library—Tuesday 8 September
School Photos—Wednesday 9 September
Persuasive speaking competition—Monday 14 September Moura SS (Finals)
Rugby League Gala Day—Friday 18 September PCSS (Years 3-6)
Last day of term—Friday 18 September

P&C Committee
President—Sally Neve
Vice President—Cherie Gooding
Treasurer—Adam Northey
Secretary—Robyn Matheson

Happy Birthday