Hi Parents

As weather starts warming up again it is important to remind you to make sure all items of clothing are labelled. Students will take off jumpers and tracksuit pants when the day warms up and we can only return them to their owner if they are clearly labelled. Also, please remember that the school has a uniform for cooler weather. Students are required to wear their school jacket (or black jumper) and black tracksuit pants if they wish. Please no other colours (including jeans).

Next week Mrs M and I are travelling to Mackay to attend the Age Appropriate Pedagogies Project workshop. We have tried as much as possible to source teachers who our students are familiar with. Patrice Baird will cover the 3-6 class for my absent days and will be available to answer any questions that pop up next week. Shelley Downs, Sarah Beckham and Bridgette Bongers will replace Dorah in the P-2 class. Due to unforeseen circumstance, there is a slight change in our itinerary. Dorah and I will now be travelling up on Monday (about 11ish) so we will have the morning to ensure lessons and classes are ready to go for our relief teachers. Dorah will return on Wednesday afternoon and I will return on Friday.

Just a reminder that the researchers from Griffith University will be visiting our school on Friday afternoon to get to know our context, staff and students. We look forward to working with them.

My apologies about the misprint in the newsletter last week. The Under 8s Day is NOT a 3-6 sports day as well. Our 3-6 students aren’t missing out; they have their gala day at the end of the term.

Thank you also to those families who are helping with carpooling for various school events coming up. Without your support, our students will not be able to participate in the activities that they do.

Today our students were able to participate in Rugby League workshops which they seemed to thoroughly enjoy. Thank you to the Rugby League development officers who are facilitating these sessions. There are another two sessions left and then we will utilise these development officers to help with our Rugby League gala day at the end of the term.

This week we had our 3-6 camp meeting. A list of what to bring was sent home at this meeting. This has been attached to the newsletter of those families who were unable to attend. A reminder that the last day for payment is next Friday 31st July.

Keep the afternoon of Wednesday 5th August free. This is when we will be celebrating NAIDOC Week with a special guest. The school has booked Phil Geta for the afternoon and he will be performing ‘Island Dreaming’.

Today we had three students represent Callide Valley at the Port Curtis Athletics Trials. We have been thinking about them all day and can’t wait to hear about their experience.

Don’t forget your School Opinion Surveys that went home last week. We won’t receive any data unless we have a certain number of parents respond. This data is extremely important to us as it tells us what you like about our school and what you think we could improve on. We do have computers available for you to use at school so please let us know if you would like to access one.

Next Thursday 30 July we have four students competing in the Mathematics competition at Biloela State High School. Good luck to Mackinaly, Fraser, Sam and Ezekiel who are representing us.

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The P-2 are settling in well to Term 3. We have been learning about Measurement in Maths. The students have enjoyed going out of the classroom to measure everyday objects using both informal and formal units of measurements. This week the Preps are learning time sequencing, the Y1 are learning days of the week and the Y2 are learning ‘months of the year’ and the calendar.

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Attached to this newsletter is the School Opinion Survey. The annual School Opinion Survey is open now and will remain open until Friday 31st July. This aim of the survey is to obtain opinion information from parents/caregivers, students and all school staff. All families are encouraged to complete their survey to ensure that their opinion is included in our school’s reports, which we will receive later this year. The reports will help our school and Education Queensland to further understand how to better meet the needs of our community. The Parent/Caregiver Survey can only be completed online. Computers are available at the school if you are unable to access the online survey from home.

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Our Market Day is coming up on Saturday 29th August and we require all families to help in some way. Over the next few weeks, I will be calling families asking for a time when you will be able to help out either on the BBQ or with a stall or activity at the Market Day. If you are busy on that particular day, you could help out in other ways by pinning photos and working on a banner to showcase our school, visiting local businesses, preparing food or wrapping lucky dip prizes prior to the event. And, we still need treats for the lucky jars to keep coming in to school please. Nicole Holmes is coordinating a fundraiser for the 2016 Canberra Camp on the day and requires some 3-6 helpers to sell popcorn and spiders.

We are asking you to COLLECT! COLLECT! COLLECT! Our families are already doing a terrific job in collecting Woolworths 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!
Hi All,

Next week Mrs Baird will cover the class until Thursday. Routines should continue as normal but please touch base with her if you have any questions.

Students will be working on their persuasive speeches next week so by Friday, they should be ready to start finalising.

Mrs Northey

Hi All,

This week for Science, Geography and Drama/Art:

Science: Viscosity of liquids and looking at how gases work….fun with experiments!

Geography: Contours on a map and how to read keys. Years 5/6 have been focusing on world maps.

Drama/Art: Mask making and practising public speaking.

Mrs Baird

Oscar Corfield— For being on task during writing session and completing your work beautifully! Great

Ayda Labuschewski— For being kind to others and sharing equipment during Maths. Well done Ayda

Sam Steger— Having a settled start to the semester. Well done.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Mask making for drama / art

School Attendance Term 3, 2015
**Staff**

3-6 Teacher: Jo Northey / Patrice Baird

Prep – 2 Teacher: Dorah Mutandwa

Teacher Aides: Belinda Gardiner / Sally Neve & Jacinta Philips

Admin Officer: Robyn Matheson

Administration days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Grounds Person – Tim Boyd

Cleaner - Brenda Kororiko

**P&C Committee**

President – Sally Neve

Vice President – Cherie Gooding

Treasurer – Adam Northey

Secretary – Robyn Matheson

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**School opinion survey available on line from**

**Monday 1 July—Friday 31 July**

Port Curtis Athletics—Friday 24 July

Rugby League clinic—Friday 24 July (12.30pm – 3.00pm)

**Mrs Northey & Mrs Mutandwa away—27, 28 & 29 July**

Maths Competition—Thursday 30 July Biloela State High School

Rugby League clinic—Friday 31 July (12.30pm – 3.00pm)

**Camp money due (3-6) Friday 31 July**

NAIDOC DAY (Phil Geia) - Wednesday 5 August (afternoon)

Rugby League clinic—Friday 7 August (12.30pm – 3.00pm)

Under 8’s / Year 3-6 Sports Day—Friday 14 August Goovigen SS

**Market Day Fair & Open Day—Saturday 29 August**

Persuasive speaking competition—7 September Goovigen SS

**School Photos—Wednesday 9 September**

Persuasive speaking competition—14 September Moura SS (Finals)

Rugby League Gala Day—Friday 18 September PCSS (Years 3-6)

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Aaron Picton—30 July