Hi Parents

What a wonderful day we had on Thursday celebrating our sporting achievements with the other small schools in our cluster. Our selected students will move on to the Callide Athletics Trials at Redeemer on Friday 19 June. Well done to all involved and thank you parents for all your help.

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated from Prospect Creek to participate in the Callide Athletics Trials:

Mikalalah Wormington, Fraser Blyton, Tane Norman, Ezekiel Jackson, Sam Steger, Kahu Norman.

Thank you to all those who supported our car wash on Friday. This was a great way to finish a very busy week. Students raised $270 for their school camp. This on top of the $100 they have raised through the selling of icy cups, corn and biscuits which brings their grand total fundraising to $370.

This Friday is the last day students are able to make payment for the ‘26 Storey Treehouse’ excursion. Only students who have paid will attend, any leftover students will remain at school with me. Mr Couchman, Mrs Baird and Mrs Neve will accompany the students to Rockhampton on this day.

Staffing

For those who missed the P&C meeting last Tuesday, this will be Mr Couchman’s last term with us. The Couchman family will be moving to Mount Gambier in South Australia and we wish them all the best. Mr Couchman has been with us for 2 and a half years. In that time he has built a strong rapport with students and has helped ensure high quality teaching and learning occurs for all students. A farewell will be organised for the last week of term. Please keep your eye on any correspondence for more information on this.

For the next six weeks, Rebecca Nielsen is taking Long Service Leave. Sarah Osborne will be replacing Rebecca for our PE lessons. Belinda Gardiner is also away on long service leave for the next six weeks. Jacinta Phillips will be replacing Belinda and Robyn Matheson will fill in for Jacinta during the literacy block. Robyn’s administration hours may change slightly as a result of this. Robyn’s new administration hours will be published in the next newsletter.

Australian Early Development Census

Our school, along with thousands of others across the country, has begun preparations for the third Australian Early Development Census (AEDC). The AEDC measures five key areas of development in children during their first year of full-time school to build a national picture of health and wellbeing. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and target support for children and families.

Teachers are trained to assess each child and answer questions. Children don’t need to be present so no class time is missed, and parents/carers don’t need to supply schools with any new information for the census. Teachers’ individual assessments are then analysed by the AEDC and reported as anonymous groups of children in the final report.

A letter about the AEDC is attached to the newsletters of students in their first year of school.
Hi All,

Last week was the last week for homework. They will not be getting it for the next two weeks. Can you please have a look around at home and check for home readers and library books. These all need to be back by the end of the term.

As most of you know, this will be my last term here. Katrina has received a great job offer in Mt. Gambier. Thankyou for the opportunity to teach your children over the past two and a half years. Teaching is a tricky job and multi-age teaching is more so. Thankyou for all your support. I know you might not have agreed with me at times, but the levels of the children speak for themselves. Some, but not all of the highlights in no particular order; brown snakes, pulling a huge green frog out of Mackinlay’s shoe, being a swing for Ilyssa and Elli, most things that came out of Quaid’s mouth, Bundaberg camp, North Keppel camp, sleepover in torrential rain, car wash, button hunting, a flood, another flood, a cyclone, Aaron’s stories of his accidents, and Oscar’s whacky sense of humour in his stories.

Jo is currently working on my replacement and I am sure they will be great. Just a reminder, I will be available for parent-teacher interviews in week 10 should you require them; just let Robyn know.

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**JARS FOR MARKET DAY**

Thank you to all those families who have kindly donated a jar or goodies for market day. We have an array of jars at the moment but we still need more. Another free dress day will be held on Friday 26 June (last day of school) for another jar. Happy collecting – the jars we have so far look great!

**FAMILY PORTRAITS**

Advanced Life Studios are coming to Biloela to take family portraits on Saturday 20 June. For $20 you will receive a 10 x 13 inch family portrait and a keyring. This is a fundraiser for Biloela State School P&C, if you are interested in booking a session contact Alison Cullen on 0420 921 183 asap.
Thank you to all families who have helped support our fundraising for camp. The final cost of our camp will be $200, taking into account our fundraising. Our P&C has committed a cake stall, which we have not had time to organise due to our busy term. The P&C have been generous in offering an average of other cake stall takings and we have promised to hold this cake stall next term after Market Day. We will need to be fair to the P&C and ensure this is well supported from our families. Each 3-6 family will be asked to donate a cake and slice to sell at this cake stall. We may even have some left over goodies from Market Day!

With a public holiday, sports day and a car wash last week, our learning programs had to take a back seat. This means homework this week is revision. Learning those basic number facts, sight words and reading. Thank you to those students who continually hand in their homework week after week. This is helping you to reach your learning goals. Well done!

Check out these pictures of the car wash – we had a lot of fun!
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DATES TO REMEMBER

Reports sent home—Friday 19 June
Raffle tickets due back—Friday 19 June
26 Storey Treehouse excursion—Thursday 25 June
Free dress day—Friday 26 June
Last day Term 2—Friday 26 June

First day Term 3—Monday 13 July
Under 8’s / Year 3-6 Sports Day—Friday 17 July Goovigen SS
Market Day Fair & Open Day—Saturday 29 August
Rugby League Gala Day—Friday 18 September PCSS (Years 3-6)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ivy Neve—14 June