Principal’s Message

I can’t believe that we only have 2 weeks left of the term after this one. How quickly the year has flown by. This week we have the opportunity of Parent/Teacher interviews. There are times available to see all teachers still, so please message or call the school mobile if you are interested in an interview.

READERS ARE LEADERS at Gundiah State School! This week’s focus is, ‘Questioning’. Great readers ask questions before, during and after reading a text to understand new words and to understand the author’s meaning and the purpose of the text. After reading at home this week, ask your child some questions: WHO…WHAT…WHERE…WHEN…WHY…HOW…

SCHOOL CAMP WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE FOR ALL! Thank you to all the students who showed their best behaviour on camp. You made the days so enjoyable. Some of the students showed such positivity throughout the camp, despite their tiredness and being homesick. We saw so many terrific things and for me the highlights were probably the Suncorp Stadium tour and catching the train to Hogs Breath for dinner. I have ordered photos for all the camp students to keep, so they have forever memories. I will give these out in a small photo album as soon as they are ready. Thank you to Mrs Schiefelbein, Mrs Whitbread and Ms Dakin for making school so much fun for the students who attended school while we were at camp. You sure did have some terrific days. Thank you to Melissa Beckey for the special lunch you organised.

Cricket: Congratulations Shelby and Hayleigh! These two girls made it into the small school cricket team. On Thursday 20th September, these girls have the opportunity to attend the next round of competition with the other school students. Notes and information will go out soon.

With 2 weeks to go, attendance is on my radar (as always), our unexplained absences are at an all year high. Please explain ALL absences to the staff ASAP! Congratulations to the junior class for their improvement in their attendance. Congratulations to the six students who are at or above our target of 95% of Attendance.
Miss Rebecca Brown

Our unexplained absences are increasing dramatically as the year goes on. All parents are responsible for explaining why their child is away from school.

ATTENDANCE
This Week: 89.62%
Junior Class: 90.08%
Senior Class: 89.07%
TARGET: 95%

BE FIRE READY!!
Queensland Fire and Rescue Service recommends preparing for bushfires around schools and homes by:
• mowing the grass regularly
• remove excess ground fuels and combustible material (long grass, dead leaves and branches)
• clearing gutters
• checking first aid kits are fully stocked
Discuss with your family, your evacuation plan and a safe meeting point in case of an emergency. For more information about how to prepare for this seasons bush fires, please visit the Rural Fire Brigades website: https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/BushFire_Safety/Pages/Prepare-for-bushfire-season.aspx
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Upcoming Events

School Parade: 7th September 2018
Spring Holidays: 22nd September – 7th October

Term 3 Events:
• 3-7th September: Parent/Teacher Interviews
• 17th September: Ms Norris at Moderation
• 19th September: Miss Brown at Moderation
• 21st September: Science Day at Woolooga

Term 4 Events:
• 22nd October: Pupil Free Day
• 22-23rd November: School Review
• 5th December: Graduation and Presentation Night

Reminders to Parents
• Come share our last parade and tuckshop for the term this Friday!
• Send your child to school EVERY DAY!!

Reminders to Students
• Be at school EVERY DAY!!
• Use respectful language and tone to your teachers
• Bring your own hats to school

Positive Behaviour for Learning
This week’s behaviour focus is in the area of:
Grassed areas around the school

Students are allowed to play in a variety of areas at school, including the grassed hill, and area near the chook pen as well as the oval. These areas are play areas only when the students are supervised. Students being SAFE, RESPONSIBLE and RESPECTFUL in these areas this week will be rewarded with our behaviour pegs.

Students are encouraged to play different games this week in these areas, eg. Table tennis, rob the nest, AFL, Soccer.

P&C News
NEXT MEETING: 19th September 2018 at 3.15pm

Please email fundraising ideas and agenda items to P&C members at pandcmembers@gundiahss.eq.edu.au

✓ Thank you to in advance to Warren Reeves for tuckshop this Friday
Menu for Friday is:
Spaghetti bolognaise
Cheese cake slice
Jelly slice
Ice cream in cones

✓ Bunnings BBQ is on September 29th 6.15am to 2pm. We need volunteers to do a few hours during the day. Please see Melinda Brown or Isis Drake if you can volunteer. This brings in a lot of our fundraising money, so please help us out!

✓ We are looking for donations for our upcoming TOMBOLA! If you’d like to donate anything, please see Melinda Brown or Laura-Jean Lawrence.

TOMBOLA: 13th October 2018

Positive Story for the Week!

There has been many positives in the last few weeks. Here are some from a variety of staff members!

100% attendance this MONDAY for the Junior Class! The children sharing their favourite part of camp with the class 😊
Ms Norris
Making fluffy pikelets last week which we topped with our fruit break. Everyone worked to cook, serve and tidy up after our brunch 😊 Mrs Schiefelbein
While on school camp, after 18km of walking across the William Jolly Bridge again with the kids, sweating like a pig, my partner Madison, turned to me and said at least we’ll get a cool breeze walking across the bridge again. Such an optimistic outlook for a little girl. 😊 Miss Brown
Couper stopped this morning to ask me if he could help carry my bags! Such a respectful young boy 😊 Mrs Rogers

Congratulations to Geoff, Kyla and Ally Willis for winning our Father’s Day raffle prizes! We hope you have a great Father’s Day 😊