Principal’s Message

This week has seen some changes at school and the students have shown a little bit of hesitation and anxiety about this. Feeling anxious and nervous about changes is normal. As adults we have learned to manage our emotions around change. The students however are still learning these skills. With the end of the year closing in, please be mindful that no matter the age of your child, change is always a difficult process to go through. Please ensure you talk to your child about the new things on the horizon and ensure they are emotionally and mentally prepared.

The end of the year is a process which involves a number of changes for children and families, and everyone reacts differently. For some children the change brings excitement about making friends and learning new things, while for others the change can leave them feeling nervous and overwhelmed. You may reflect on your own school experiences and be reminded of the mix of emotions you felt when things were about to change. Families play an important role in supporting children to manage the transitions from year to year. Children who are mentally healthy are better learners, have stronger relationships and are better able to meet life’s challenges. For some transition support, please see me sooner rather than later, or you can go to these websites for more information: www.kidsmatter.edu.au http://www.kidspot.com.au/parenting/parenthood/parenting-style/helping-kids-cope-with-change

Christmas Craft
Christmas craft will start next week on Tuesday. From 2-3pm on 22nd and 29th November and 6th December 2016, all students will participate in a variety of Christmas crafts and cooking.

If you can volunteer your time for Christmas Craft, please let Miss Brown know this week. All parents/carers/grandparents are welcome to help out.

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Our Responsible Behaviour Plan have met for the last time this year and after some reflection expressed great pride in the achievements made. To name a few, we have consolidated the three school expectations, created a matrix for managing minor and major misbehaviour, updated the school’s responsible behaviour plan, created a positive incentive scheme for the whole school and positive post cards as well as organising the amazing school expectations amongst a mural and on the driveway. What a productive team! Thank you to each and everyone of the team members. Our PBL team will continue next year in our journey to promote the positive and produce responsible, respectful and safe students for the future.

Graduation & Concert – 30th November
For our concert this year, all students are performing two dances for your entertainment. They will need to wear a brightly coloured shirt with denim shorts/skirt/jeans for one dance and bring a country style shirt to put over the top for the second dance. All students will need their school hat or a cowboy hat for the night as well.

All families are asked to bring a plate of food or a dish to share for supper after the Graduation night. Warm/cold, sweet/savoury dishes are suitable. The graduating students will have a cake dedicated to them and will be shared for dessert as well. The ceremony will start at 5.30pm and supper will be at 7pm. Programs to be handed out soon.

Miss Rebecca Brown
P&C News

Book Fair - 7th November - 18th November 2016
Book Fair Dress Up day - 18th November 2016
BBQ at Bunnings (Maryborough) - 27th November 2016

LAST 2016 P&C MEETING
TODAY at 3.15pm
Everyone is welcome!

If you can volunteer for the Bunning’s Sausage Sizzle on Saturday 27th November, please see Kirstie Orpahnt as soon as possible.

BOOK FAIR
COLOURING IN COMPETITIONS
will be judged on Friday
18th November 2016.
Have you completed yours?

Upcoming Events

School Parade: 18th November 2016

Term 4 Events:
- 18th November – Book Fair Dress Up Day
- 18th November – Movie night at school
- 29th Nov and 6th Dec – Christmas Craft
- 30th November – Graduation
- 7th December – Term 4 celebration day
- 9th December - Last day of the year

Reminders to Students

- Complete ALL homework and return on Friday.
- Write a letter to Miss Brown to convince her that you need a break from homework.

Reminders to Parents

- Prepare costumes for Book Fair parade on 18th November (Theme: Australian Outback)
- No guitar lesson on December 6th 2016
- Ensure all debts are paid for by the end of November please

Behaviour Focus

This week we are revising all our rules; Be Safe at Swimming
- To walk on the concrete at swimming
- To keep my head above during instruction time
- To wear sunscreen

TUCKSHOP
Friday 18th November 2016
Thanks to Mr Sal