Aim High With Praise

Principal’s Diary

(This section of the newsletter outlines meetings and events during the school year where the Principal will either be out of the school or unavailable.)

02 May Director General’s Forum (Toowoomba)
06 May Assistant Regional Director visit (10am – 11:30am)
Facilities Meeting (1:30pm)
09 May Budget/Finance Meeting (9:30am – 11:00am)

NAPLAN testing time again

Our students in Years 3, 5 and 7 will soon participate in the annual National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) to assess their skills and understanding in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. The tests will be conducted in all state and non-state schools across the country from 13–15 May. An individual NAPLAN report for each child will be sent home later this year. Results provide additional feedback for parents, carers and teachers on how students are progressing in key curriculum areas.
Please contact the school if you have any questions about your child participating in NAPLAN testing. Further information is available on the ACARA website. (http://www.nap.edu.au/)

Students of the Week

Zharlea and Bernie were the proud recipients of this week’s Student of the Week awards.

In the Classroom

Home Reading
Students will each day be bringing home a Home Reader which is to be read each night by the student and brought back to school the next day. It is important that parents support us in this by ensuring these books and recording forms are signed and returned each day.
ANZAC Talk
Last Tuesday Mr Nielson visited our school to talk to the students about ANZAC Day. The students gained a great understanding of the meaning of ANZAC Day. Mr Nielson also presented the school with a book on behalf of Scott Buchholz MP titled “Animal Heroes”.

ANZAC Day March and Service
Thankyou to all those students and parents who attended the ANZAC Day March and service in Gatton and also the Service at Ma Ma Creek on ANZAC Day. A special thankyou to our Student Leaders who represented us well in the Wreath Laying and leading our march. Also thanks to those families who provided flowers for the Wreaths.

Chappie’s Corner
Lest We Forget
Having Easter and Anzac Day so close together has allowed us to enjoy some wonderful holidays and days off. The weather has been fine and it has been a pleasure just to be alive.
In many ways Anzac Day and Easter are similar – in both we celebrate the giving of life for others.
On Anzac Day we celebrate the lives of those soldiers who struggled on the Gallipoli Peninsula so far away from home; also we honour those soldiers who have fought in various wars and missions to bring peace and keep safe our lifestyle here in Australia. Truly we owe them a huge debt of gratitude.
At Easter Christians celebrate the giving of life so that we could enjoy a closer relationship with God.
When you think about it we really are so fortunate that those who love us are prepared to give up everything for us. Makes me feel very grateful really.

P & C News
Tuckshop
Tuckshop will be every Monday and orders need to be in by Thursday of each week. Please place your money in an envelope and write your order on the order form attached to each week’s newsletter.
We would like to thank Tenthill Store who are the providers of the lunchtime food component of our tuckshop each week.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C Meeting will be held at the school on Thursday 08th May at 5:30pm.

Tupperware Fundraiser
Your child should have brought home an envelope with this newsletter outlining a Tupperware Fundraiser the P&C have organised. Please take the time to read the letter attached to this envelope and support this fundraising activity if at all possible.