From the Principal’s Desk

**ANZAC Day parade**
As I am sure everyone knows it is ANZAC day on Thursday. Our school will be having some diggers visit our school on Wednesday for our own school parade and then our students are invited to march in the Gayndah parade. The parade is at 10am, Thursday please meet at the court house at 9:30 am to assemble for the march. (Bring a hat and water bottle—full school uniform)

The ANZAC ceremony for our school will be on tomorrow at 11am. All welcome, after the ceremony we will be offering the diggers and other visitors some tea and coffee. All welcome.

**NAPLAN testing time again**
Our students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 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 14–16 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/)

**Tuckshop**
This week we will be having toasted chicken and cheese sandwiches, chips and a popper. $4. Please pay by Thursday.

**School Audit**
This week Mr Richard Tooth has been in our school conducting an audit on our schools operations. He will make some recommendations for us to implement. You may get a few notes to fill out and return in the next few weeks. So look out for those.

Cheers Andrew

**P&C Meeting**
The P&C AGM will be held at the school tomorrow night (Wednesday) at 7:30pm. All welcome.
Date Claimers
April
22nd & 23rd—Mr Tooth (Auditor) visit
24th - Anzac Day ceremony at school
25th - Anzac Day
May
3rd - North Burnett Cross Country (Biggenden)
6th - Book Club orders Due

Are your children fighting?

Are you a parent of siblings who fight? Every day thousands of parents wake up to the challenge of dealing with children who are in conflict with their siblings.
Researchers from The University of Queensland are interested in understanding and improving children's relationships with their siblings. To do this, the research team headed by Prof. Matt Sanders, would like to invite parents of siblings to fill out a brief questionnaire highlighting their experiences raising siblings. The researchers are interested to know how being a parent of siblings impacts your family? Do you receive enough support to deal with challenging behaviour? What sort of extra help do you think you need? And how best would you like to receive support? The information provided will be used to help develop a tailored parenting program for parents who are having difficulty with their children's sibling conflict. Participating parents will also be invited to register their interest for the trial of the program once it is available.
All parents of siblings who have children aged between 2 and 10 years with no more than 4-years separating the two siblings are invited to participate in a brief questionnaire available at www.exp psy.uq.edu.au/siblings. Parents do not need to have children who are in conflict to participate. Contact John Pickering on (07) 3346 8743 or email j.pickering@uq.edu.au, or visit for more information.

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER
Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Spain will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceast@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

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Tuckshop
Please have your money and orders in by Thursday 3pm

Book Club: Please return your Scholastic Book Club Issue 3 orders to school by Monday 6th May.
1. In which year was the first Melbourne Cup run? **1861**
2. Who is known as the Golden Bear? **Jack Nicklaus**
3. Which Australian band has an album by the name of Odysey No. 5? **Powderfinger**
4. When did Patrick White become the first Australian to win the Nobel Prize for Literature? **1973**
5. What is the chemical symbol for iron? **Fe**
6. How many days were there in 2004? **366**
7. In which sport would you shavedown for negative splits? **Swimming**
8. What is Australia’s second oldest city? **Hobart**
9. What is the badge number of Clint Eastwood’s character Dirty Harry? **2211**
10. Who was the Australian of the year in 2004? **Steve Waugh**

**Fun Facts with Erin**

Nickname: Ernie

My favourite colour: Purple and pink

My favourite food: Pizza and pineapple

My favourite animal is: Horse and dog

My favourite car: Silver car and red ute

At school I like to: play with my friends

On the weekend I like to: play with elephants and dolls

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**Brain teaser**

Below, 10 countries have been broken into chunks of letters. These chunks have been mixed up, no chunk is used twice and all chunks are used. Can you determine what the 10 countries are?

EZU ITZ ZIL ELA BRA GI IA FI PAN MBA BEL AND BER ZI NL BO CAM VEN DIA AND UM SW BWE MEX ERL ICO JA LI
Cent Sale Wine & Cheese Night

18th May 6pm
Gunther Village Conference Room

$10 Entry inc 2 glasses wine, nibbles & tea/coffee
Cheese complements of the Goomeri Cheese Shop

Many Many Great Prizes

Entertainment by Dear Isabel

In support of Orange Festival Queen Entrant Ellie Turner