School Update

Today I had a visit from a Q-build representative to discuss a program to provide our school with some funding for some special maintenance programs around the school... This fund is expected to be spent by the end of this financial year so we might see some work going on around the school sooner rather than later.

Some of the big ticket items include laying soft fall matting under the playground (shaded area only) repaint of the toilet block and roof, replace a number of support poles on the walk way and update the kitchen. There are also quite a few little jobs to complete.

School athletics

A new policy has been established around school athletics. The new policy states that in order to run an athletics carnival, you need to have a level 1 trained person on each of the field events. This is to cover those people in case of litigation. This would mean that we would need a level 1 person for each individual field event. At this stage we have no one that is properly qualified. However our cluster group is looking at conducting a program to give us these skills mid May. Watch this space........

What an interesting article

WHERE EVERYONE KNOWS YOUR NAME

Although a variety of factors affect student achievement, the greatest factor was the reduction of anonymity -- **going to a school where someone knows you and your name.** Being known by your teachers and peers makes a difference, Wasley noted.

The study found that small schools are also safer for this reason. "We really think that size does have to do with the reduction of anonymity and isolation of students, which reduces fighting and violence," Wasley explained.

Students took more responsibility for their behaviour and the behaviour of their classmates in small schools. They told researchers they fought less because they knew one another.

Small schools really are great schools.

Arts Council!!!!!!

Arts council will be on this Friday at 11:30. We will be travelling by bus to Mundubbera school and returning to school at 1pm. (No Cost)

**Tuckshop**

Tuckshop menu this week is Pizza, Chips and a popper for $4. Orders & money due by Thursday.
The P&C AGM will be held at the school tomorrow night (Wednesday 1st May) at 7.30pm. We would appreciate your attendance.

Arts Council Performance

This terms Arts Council is titled McPlatypus & Queen Koala’s Roadtrip. McPlatypus and Queen Koala’s Roadtrip is the story of a confident character who loses her self-esteem and her voice because of a bully at school. The audience must find ways to rebuild ‘MCP’ so she can finish the concert.

Soccer

Soccer training every Monday 4-5pm Gayndah sports fields. All junior ages welcome. Any new players can come and have a try. Enquiries Scott Roth 41612241.
1. What does the A in DNA stand for? **Acid**
2. Which famous golfer retired in 2004 after the US Masters? **Arnold Palmer**
3. Which city is the world’s most populated? **Tokyo**
4. What is the most common gas in the Earth’s atmosphere? **Nitrogen**
5. Who recorded the album Graceland? **Paul Simon**
6. Which golfer is nicknamed ‘The Big Easy’? **Ernie Ells**
7. Which number is at 6 o’clock on the dartboard? **3**
8. What is the Matilda in Waltzing Matilda? **A swag**
9. What is the name of the former Prime Minister Malcom Frazer’s wife? **Tammy**
10. How many masts does a Sloop have? **One**

**Fun Facts with Pheobe**

**Nickname:** Fi  
**My favourite colour:** Yellow  
**My favourite food:** Chocolate  
**My favourite animal is:** Elephant  
**My favourite toy:** Dolls  
**At school I like to:** Colouring  
**On the weekend I like to:** Play with my friends

**Jokes**

Knock knock  
Who's there?  
Mikey!  
Mikey who?  
Mikey doesn’t fit in the keyhole!

Knock knock  
Who's there?  
Howard!  
Howard who?  
Howard I know?

Knock knock  
Who's there?  
Beets!  
Beets who?  
Beets me

**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?

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EZU ITZ ZIL ELA BRA GI IA FI PAN MBA  
BEL AND BER ZI NLBO CAM VEN DIA  
AND UM SW BWE MEX ERL ICO JA LI
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Belgium, Mexico, Brazil, Japan, Cambodia, Switzerland, Zimbabwe, Venezuela, Finland, Liberia
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