From the Principal’s Desk

Premiers Reading Challenge

Students wishing to take the challenge can register individually on the website. The reading period runs 14 May to 6 September. A special bookmark to track progress will be available for students to cut out in The Courier-Mail next Tuesday (21 May). For more information visit the Premier’s Reading Challenge website at http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge

Orange Festival

The Gayndah Orange festival is coming up very soon and we will again be putting in a float on the day. We will be starting to work on designs and ideas over the next few weeks. If your child is unable to be on the float for any reason please let us know and we won’t organise them a costume. All students are welcome.

Volleyball fundraiser

On July 13th our P&C will be organising a volleyball afternoon. There will be approx. 4 courts so we will be looking for plenty of teams. There will be a Barbeque and cold drinks available on the day, so get yourself a team and make it a great day. The more the merrier. Cost will be $10 per player. Teams consist of 6 to 8 players per team (6 on the court at once) to register a team you can contact the school.

First Day of NAPLAN

Today is of course the first day of the annual NAPLAN tests, today the students completed 80 minutes in total of testing. 40 minutes of writing and 40 minutes of writing conventions. Which includes Grammar, punctuation and some spelling. We had a few little tears but on the whole they all did very well and tried their hardest.

Winter carnival update

Last week I was lucky enough to coach the North Burnett boys in Hervey bay for two days. Lachlan, Harry and Mitchell were in the team from our school. All the boys played well and demonstrated plenty of determinations and passion. Although they really were up against good opposition they never gave up and was luckily enough to come away with a win and a draw. Every player should be extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves over the 2 day carnival.

Cheers Andrew

Tuckshop
Tuckshop this week is a Hamburger, chips and a popper
All this for $4.
Please pay by Thursday so we can order the food.
Date Claimers

May
14th NAPLAN (Language conventions, writing)
15th NAPLAN (Reading)
16th NAPLAN (Numeracy)
24th Principals business meeting (Biloela)
25th - Abercorn Goodwill Games

Support your local school

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths. (OR CALL ON RELATIVES!!)
From Monday 8th April to Sunday 9th June, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and when it’s complete, the Points Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local store.
At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn
1. Who faced the first ever ball in test cricket? **Charles Bannerman**
2. When was the first test played at Bellerive Oval in Hobart? **1989/90 (Aus v SL)**
3. Who said, “It was a wise man who invented beer”? **Plato**
4. Who faced the underarm delivery at the MCG in Feb 1, 1981? **Brian McKenzie**
5. What is the chemical symbol for lead? **Pb**
6. Who said, “Lisa, Vampires are make believe like Elves, Gremlins and Eskimos”? **Homer Simpson**
7. What is the only type of bird that can fly backwards? **Hummingbird**
8. Which Bond film was released first: *A View to a Kill*, Licence to Kill or The Living Daylights? **A View to a Kill**
9. Who was the first female star to play Eva Peron in the UK stage production of Evita? **Elaine Page**
10. What Memphis mansion was opened to the public in 1982? **Graceland**

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**Quote of the week**

*Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you too, can become great.*

*Mark Twain*

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**Fun Facts with Charlotte**

*Nickname: Rabbit*

*My favourite colour: Blue and pink*

*My favourite food: Cake*

*My favourite animal is: Elephant and cat*

*My favourite toy: Bella the fluffy Rabbit*

*At school I like to: Do maths*

*On the weekend I like to: Go to my cousins house*

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**Riddles**

Johnny’s mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May. What was the third child’s name?

I am an insect. The first part of my name is the name of another insect. What am I?

What type of cheese is made backwards?

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**Brain teaser**

How many squares, of any size, can you find on this chess board that do not contain a Rook?

There are 116 squares without a rook.

1x1: 61 squares, 2x2: 37 squares, 3x3: 15 squares, 4x4: 3 squares
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