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WEEK 2 TERM 3 22/07/2014

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Although your pre-teen may need more personal space, don't mistake her distance with disinterest. To develop the self-confidence and high self-esteem she'll need to get her through adolescence without too many scars, they need to feel safe and secure and to know that your love is unconditional (especially if you feel it's being tested to its very limit).

Make sure that you take care of yourself so that adulthood doesn't look frightening. Don't force yourself onto your child if they need some distance from you - the more you try to close the gap, the more they are likely to step away from you. Give them space and the trust that comes with it.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C Meeting will be held at the school this Wednesday (tomorrow) commencing at 3:45pm. All welcome.

Cheers Andrew

Tuckshop

Tuckshop this week is: Spaghetti Bolognaise, garlic bread and a Popper. Cost $4. Orders and money must be in by Thursday.

NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON FRIDAY
Date Claimers

JULY
23rd - P&C Meeting - 3.45pm
25th - District Sports
31st - Binjour Sports Day

AUGUST
8th - Author Visit - Kathryn Apel

SEPTEMBER
19th - Last day of term

Prep - Year 2 News

It is week two, students are settling nicely and our class room is buzzing with active learning experiences.
Students are having fun with hands on and practical maths.
English is very exciting with our new reading comprehension program, not to mention the mini beasts, The students are very keen and can’t wait to catch bugs this week to observe and study.
We will keep you all updated.

Cheers, Deb

Quote of the week

ADOLESCENCE IS A PERIOD OF RAPID CHANGES. BETWEEN THE AGES OF 1 AND 17, FOR EXAMPLE, A PARENT AGES AS MUCH AS 20 YEARS.
ANONYMOUS
Music Quiz

1. Released on her Greatest Hits - Chapter One album, what song became a hit for Kelly Clarkson?
2. Which of the following can be associated with Justin Timberlake?
3. In January of 2013, Lady Antebellum performed their song “Downtown” on a popular talk show. Which talk show?
4. David Bowie is back in business. His new studio album will premiere in 2013. How old is David?
5. Released on January 29, 2013, who recorded the new pop single "Nuclear“?
6. The song "Locked Out in Heaven" by Bruno Mars is from which album?
7. Kris Kristofferson released a new album in 2013 titled "Feeling...”? 
8. Which famous pop singer recently changed her citizenship to Swiss?
9. Performed by Christina Aguilera, Who wrote the song "Beautiful”?
10. Who sings "I knew you were trouble"?

Fun Facts with Liam

My favourite colour: Maroon
How old I am: 11 years old
My favourite movie: The Lego Movie,
My favourite food: Pork Crackling
What jobs I have at home: Feeding dogs and horses

My favourite book: My Brother’s a Big Fat Liar
When I leave school I want to be: A Lego Designer

Community Notices

Junior Touch

Junior Touch Football sign-on 23rd July 2014
4-5pm—Touch Grounds Gayndah Turning 6—grade 7
$30 per player Anyone who can help out Wednesday would be appreciated
Contact : Leisa Darlington 0402869032 Maria McCoster 0400844681

Soccer - 2-way soccer meet this
Saturday 26th July Mundubbera School Oval, 9am start.

Would your Kids Like to play tennis?
The club is open to all juniors on a Tuesday afternoon.
Greg Baker, and, or Ben slack will open the courts each Tuesday afternoon at 3.30 until 5.15pm.
Parents are encouraged to stick around and hit with your kids if possible.
For the younger children, smaller nets, rackets and low compression balls are available at the club.
We have been opening of a Tuesday afternoon for a few terms and have a core bunch of about 9-12 kids, ranging from 7 – 13 years old. If your child is younger than 7 years old they are still most welcome, we have recently constructed 2 “Hot Shots courts” which enables you to hit with your kids with less pressure than they may feel from the full size courts. Parents of the younger kids must be in attendance thank you. Cost is $3 per child.
We are starting this Tuesday the 22nd Greg Baker 0408 745 969

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DATE: Thursday 31/07/14
TIME: 5pm-7pm

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