Welcome to the first newsletter for term 4. I am sure it won’t be long until the last. This term is certainly filling up fast and I am sure we will run out of time very quickly. Lots of things happening this term. We have swimming in Mundubbera starting on the 11th of November. We will also be having some pre-prep days later in the term and we have to fit some schoolwork in there somewhere. We have started the term looking at letter writing; we are looking at both formal and personal letter formats. In History we are studying immigration in Australia and how and where the people have come from. The final task for our students will be writing a personal letter home as if they were one of these immigrants. In maths we are working on Perimeter, Area and Volume. We are also looking at doing a play, which always proves to be very enjoyable for the students every student also has a piece of poetry they need to practice. 42 days of school left and every day counts.

**6.7 camp**
Some of our year 6 and 7 students headed off on camp yesterday, by all reports they are having a great time. They did boot camp, sky surfer wall and the giant ladder yesterday. Mrs Goldie said they played celebrity head last night and all went to bed very tired. They are doing more camp stuff today and heading into Brisbane for a tour on Wednesday.

**High School Transition days**
Our senior group of year 6 and 7 students have a number of transition days for them to have a look around the high schools that they will be attending next year. We have some students going to Mundubbera and some going to Gayndah so these transition days are different.

**Student free day**
There is a student free day on the 20th of October; our staff will be attending a cluster conference in Gayndah for the day.

**NAPLAN**
We will be doing a trial NAPLAN test next week. This test will help us to identify areas where we need to focus on to help our students. All students in grades 2,3,4,5,6 and 7 will be participating. This will be a very low key and fun activity, so no need to stress. Education Qld has provided us with a special tool in which we can input student responses and the tool gives us concepts to look at with individuals or groups of students.

**Tuckshop**
Tuckshop this week will be Hotdogs a popper and a cupcake $4. **Please make sure you order and pay to Mrs Meyer by Thursday.**

**NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON FRIDAY**
Cheers Andrew
Date Claimers

**OCTOBER**
- 20th Student free day
- 27th - Book Club due

**NOVEMBER**
- 3rd November – Principals Business meeting Biloela
- 12th November and 2nd December Pedagogical coach visit
- 12th November – Life Education (Mundubbera)
- 13th November – Red Cross visit

**SWIMMING DATES**
- **November** 11, 13, 14, 18, 20, 25, 27, 28
- **December** 2nd and 4th

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**Prep - Year 2 News**

Welcome back from a lovely break, hope you all a well-rested and ready for a big term. Throughout the term the junior room will continue their phonics program and literacy routines. We have just started our English unit – comparing narratives. The students will be learning how to be persuasive, using text, tone, images, topics and themes.

In maths this term we will be revising and consolidating all key concepts taught in terms 1, 2, and 3. We will also be doing chance, data and graphs, mapping and location. A lot of fun in maths.

During our science unit students will learn about materials and how they are manipulated to create usable items. They will also explore types of materials and why certain materials are chosen to make particular objects.

Geography this term involves the local area and how places are important to people.

Students will be doing an Art unit this term, they will be working with warm and cool colours and how these colours can represent emotions.

Wow, it will be a big term...

The days are getting hotter so bring a drink bottle and don’t forget ‘No Hat No Play’, so remember to bring your hat.

Cheers, Deb

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**P&C - End of Year Books**

Once again the P&C are purchasing books for each student to be presented at our end of term night. Could parents please choose a book/books from this months Book Club to the value of $15 per child and the P&C will foot the bill, as the children's end of year gift.  **Please mark these book/books with a ‘C’ next to their choice/choices so we can distinguish them from other orders.** Please return all orders to the school by 27th October.
Experience The Magic Of Hosting

"In July our exchange student, Toon, joined our family. And when I say joined he literally did that. He has become my teenage son. Our experience as a family has been amazing and unforgettable.

Toon is leaving this week and I feel like my son is grown up and leaving home. There is nothing negative that I can say about our time with Toon. Toon has been through all sorts of things with our family. Through good times, like the birth of our new daughter, and not so good times (but nothing bad).

I would like to say my respects to Toon’s parents. They have done a wonderful job raising such a courteous, well mannered, well balanced son. We have so many fantastic stories from this exchange experience. We have enjoyed it so much that we are hosting again next July. We will have a friend for life and will never forget Toon.

Thank you WEP for the chance to meet Toon. It wouldn’t have been possible without the WEP team. Only a quick few words to show my appreciation in meeting Toon and to WEP.

Enrich your home with a curious exchange student in January 2015

Request student profiles now to find out more!
www.wep.org.au  1300 884 733  info@wep.org.au

Who is celebrating a birthday this month?

Abby on 15th October
Zain on 25th October

Quote of the week

A ‘NO’ UTTERED FROM THE DEEPEST CONVICTION IS BETTER THEN A ‘YES’ MERELY UTTERED TO PLEASE, OR WORSE, TO AVOID TROUBLE.
MAHATMA GANDHI

Community Notice

Have you registered for this year’s Gayndah Swimming Club District Triathlon & Duke and Duchess Fun Run 2014?
Start with a Fun run up Gayndah’s iconic Duke & Duchess on Saturday 18th October from 4.30pm with a BBQ and live music to follow at the pool. Then get your competitive face on for the Triathlon kicking off bright and early Sunday morning 6am the 19th October. Online registration is now open:https://regonline.activeglobal.com/gayndahdistricttriathlon2014

Triathlon Merchandise available- Don’t stop Tri-ing shirts and singlets available now $20 each.
Bootcamp fitness is available 6am Thursday & 7am Saturday mornings at the Gayndah sportsgrounds. All welcome.
Bootcamp Membership Fee’s to be paid at the North Burnett Regional Council office.

Get a team together or try our event as an individual.
For more information contact - Sam : Mob 0428734022 or Kirsty: Mob 0429628432
Come trick or treat at the Mundubbera Blue Light Disco FRIDAY 24th October 2014 Prizes for best costumes

Centacare North Burnett Community Recovery invites you to come and celebrate

International Day of Rural Women Luncheon Theme: Inspiring Change

Special guest speaker
Annabelle Brayley

Acclaimed writer and story teller of Bush Nurses and Nurses of the Outback
Contributor to RM Williams Outback magazine & Rural Woman

Day: Wednesday, 15 October 2014
Time: 11:30 am
Venue: RM Williams Australian Bush Learning Centre
Cost: $25.00 (2 courses)

Limited tickets available so be quick to be part of the celebration. Tickets are available at Mundubbera Newsagency, Eldersveld Community Pharmacy, Monto News and Travel and Gayndah Newsagency.

For more information please contact Julie Blundell on 0427 620 745 or