**Orange Festival update**

The float is continuing to take shape. The parade is on Saturday morning 6th June. We have sent a note home to make sure parents and families know where and when we need to assemble. Please if you have any questions ring the school. This week has been very busy so far and I am sure that it is going to get busier.

**School Visits**

Last week Mrs Goldie and I went to Brisbane to visit Nundah State School. Nundah is a school on the North side of Brisbane that has already implemented the Reading to Learn Program across all year levels. It was a chance for us to watch the program in action in an actual classroom. It's always easy to say this is what you should do, but it is better to see it actually being used. It was an extremely worthwhile activity. We were able to also see the planning that took place behind the scenes. It was great and school was very keen to help us out.

**Regular school attendance**

Parents and caregivers must send children to school every school day under Queensland law unless there is an acceptable reason such as:

- illness
- doing work experience
- competing in school sporting events.

If your child is going to be absent from school, you must let the school know why the absence has occurred within two school days of their return. If possible, it is best to advise the school beforehand.

Avoid keeping your child away from school for reasons such as:

- birthdays
- shopping
- visiting family and friends
- if they sleep in
- looking after other children
- minor check ups or care, such as hair cuts.

**Why is Reading so Important**

Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment every day not only perform better in reading tests than those who don’t, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures. In fact, there’s evidence to suggest that reading for pleasure is more likely to determine whether a child does well at school than their social or economic background.

What difference could you make as a parent?

The short answer is: a lot! Parents are by far the most important educators in a child’s life and it’s never too young for a child to start, even if you’re only reading with your child for a few minutes a day

Cheers Andrew

**Tuckshop**

There will be NO TUCKSHOP this week as everyone is busy with Orange Festival activities.
Date Claimers

June
6th—Orange Festival
11th, 12th—Reading to Learn (PD)

July
16th - Small School Sports Day

Prep - Year 2 News

This space is blank because it is Orange Festival week. See you on Saturday.

Cheers
Angela
Brain Teaser

Farmer Stone has 6 pigs, 4 chickens and 3 cows. Farmer Morton has 5 pigs, 3 chickens and 5 cows. How many of Farmer Stone’s animals can say they are the same animal as Farmer Morton’s?

None, as animals cannot talk.

Community Notice

Mundubbera and District Soccer Club

NO Training Saturday 6th June

Keep an eye on our facebook page for updates and information…Mundubbera Junior Soccer Club… If you are interested in coaching, volunteering or would like more information please contact Kt on 0448271303

Fun Facts with Charlotte

How many people in my family? 4. Mum, Dad, my brother Lachlan and me

My favourite pet: Cat

Why: Because they are fluffy and they are fun to play with

My favourite place: Grandma’s house

Why: Because I am with my family.

Quote of the week

I have not failed. I’ve just found 10,000 ways that won’t work.

Thomas Alva Edison (1847-1931)
Mobile Playscheme
Free playgroup
Binjour Plateau State School, Burnett Hwy.

For children 0 to 5, their parents and other carers. Come and join in with some free play, structured activities, craft, singing, stories, a healthy snack and lots of fun.

1st, 3rd & 5th Friday of Each Month
Afternoon 1.00pm-3.00pm

For further information, please contact:
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