Small School Swimming carnival

The small school swimming carnival is on this Friday, the 2nd of December. This is a get yourself there day. The carnival will be at the Mundubbera pool, with races starting at 9am. Don’t forget to send sun safe gear as it is meant to be very hot and the Mundubbera pool doesn’t have a lot of shade. There will be a canteen operating for the day.

End of term night

Our end of term night and graduation ceremony will be held at the Apostolic Church hall on Monday the 5th of December at 6pm. Invitations were sent home last week so I hope one made it home to you. This is a night for the students, if you have other family members wishing to come that’s great, please ensure you bring enough for everyone. We have asked families to bring a meal and a dessert. Please RSVP to Mrs Goldie or Mrs Meyer. To give us an idea of how many plates etc we need to buy.

As we have some allergies in the school please make sure you don’t use peanuts or seafood (crustaceans) If we have any other allergies please let me know so I can let people know.

School Play

The school play is beginning to take shape. If your child has a role please encourage them to practice their lines at home. All students are involved in singing so they can practice the songs also. They will be able to read these on the night so they won’t need to recite them from memory. They have been doing a wonderful job at school so it will be great to see how it turns out on the night. The play is something the kids look forward to every year and are all very passionate about it. We have asked the children to bring in some clothes for their part. All students should have the stuff at home, so students should be able to get their costumes out of their cupboards.

School camp

A big thank you to all those parents who have been able to send in the $100 for the school camp. If you haven’t yet please do so ASAP so we can tidy up the end of year finances. If you have any issues please give us a call.

Cheers Andrew
**Date Claimers**

December
2nd - Small Schools Swimming Carnival
5th - End of term night
8th - Swimming Fun Day (M’berra swimming pool)
9th - End of year Break up day

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**Secret Santa**

**Dear Parent/Guardian,**

Christmas is nearly upon us & that jolly man in the red suit will be bringing presents to all the boys & girls, & maybe adults, once again. The students love to have a Secret Santa each year. This works by each student drawing a students name out of a hat & they buy a gift to the value of $5 for that student. Students don’t know the name of the person they have drawn, only that it is a junior or senior boy or girl. This way it remains a **surprise!** Please ask your child who they have drawn. If they cannot remember, we have the list at school.

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**Prep-2 News**

We have had a very busy week, students have been finishing off their books and most of them are printed and binded and ready to be on display at the end of year celebration evening on Monday.

Report cards will be sent home next week. Please remember to R.S.V.P for the end of year night by the 2nd of December which is this Friday. If you can either contact the school, Andrew’s mobile or Angela’s mobile or on Facebook how many people will be attending, this will help for catering purposes. Our end of year night starts 6pm Monday night at the Church, please bring a main meal and dessert to share. The children have been doing a great job with their play so it should be a fantastic night. We have 3 seniors leaving this year as well, which is always a very memorable occasion. Any questions please contact us, Monday we will be decorating the hall so if any parents would like to come and help that would be fantastic, it is always a big job and many hands make light work.

Thanks Madonna, Karen and Angela.
PLAY TOUCH

2017 Training camps coming

Kingaroy-Sat 7th Jan
Gandah-Sun 8th Jan
Childers- Tue 10th Jan
Hervey Bay- wed 11th Jan

Games, Skills and Drills at your local club

IT’S FREE: To register now, go to www.sunsinecoasttouch.com

TENNIS HOLIDAY CLINIC for children, will be conducted at Rotary Park Tennis complex, 69b George Street, SOUTH BUNDABERG by Bundaberg Tennis Academy Coaches, Murray Whittingbread and Kevin Banner - Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th January 2017 -
Times: 8.30am - 10am or 10am - 11.30am (Junior Beginners 5-12 years); 8.30am - 11.30am (Beginners/Intermediate Beginners); 2.00pm - 4.30pm (High School/Intermediate/Advanced). Enquiries please phone Kevin: 4152 0753 or 0409 520753. Bookings are Essential!

Quote of the week

I Hate Mosquitoes.
I Mean I Know
I’m Delicious But
Damn!

I BROKE DOWN AND BOUGHT MYSELF A NEW PAIR OF SHOES.
I FIGURE THIS PAIR WILL PROBABLY BE THE LAST PAIR I’LL EVER HAVE TO BUY.
WHAT KIND OF SHOES ARE THEY?
LOAFERS. AH... HOW APPROPRIATE.

B I N J O U R  P L A T E A U  S T A T E  S C H O O L
It won't be long until you have a rest from the routine school drop-offs and pick-ups for the year.

At this time of year we also know how excited children are preparing for end-of-school year celebrations and their concentration may wander away from road safety.

We'd like to remind you about road safety around schools and ask you to revisit this with your children again at the start of the 2017 school year.

Adopt a Cops visit schools at various times and encourage everyone to use the safe environments provided to help keep the flow of traffic moving.

The children pictured above can teach everyone some safety tips:
- Designate the rear door closest to the kerb to be a safety door for children to enter or exit.
- Use the drop-off and pick-up zones like a quick moving fast rank.
- Learn to recognise your vehicle and to get in and out quickly and safely when the vehicle has pulled into the signed area.

Parking safety around schools is what the majority of parents and carers do, although if you're rushed and not focused, you may find you have parked contrary to road markings or signage.

This behaviour may result in a traffic crash, reduced visibility for other road users and cause traffic congestion.

We also need to remember that children are unpredictable and may not understand the dangers associated with roads and vehicles.

The yellow line pictured in the next column is an area NOT to park or stop.

Failing to obey this can result in a $48 Traffic Infringement Notice for Stop contrary to continuous yellow edge line.

The sign below says it all – NO stopping.

Failure to obey this can result in a $48 Traffic Infringement Notice for Stop contrary to ‘NO STOPPING’ sign.

Some additional tips from our colleagues at Transport and Main Roads are:
- Remember to say goodbye to your children on the school side of the road – never get them to cross the road alone to their school entrance.
- Walk across the road and meet your children after school – never call out to them from the other side.
- Always single park.


Be observant of school zone speeds and times when travelling as a parent, carer or general motorist.

Why not see if there's a difference between this sign and the one at your school.

Police officers will be highly visible in and around school zones, especially at the commencement of the school year, and ask community members to be on their best driving behaviour to ensure all students and teachers get to their playgrounds and classrooms safely.

Remember to say "Hi" to your school crossing supervisor when they are there to assist you cross the road safely to and from school.

Policelink

Many families are now using mobile electronic devices and we know technology is continuously improving. As a result you can now contact police via Policelink on 131 444.

Policelink is the easy and convenient option for community members to take an active role in improving frontline policing response times and enhanced client service by using the Policelink service or reporting matters online.

For example, if a community member chooses to report their stolen power tools from the back of their ute via Policelink, online or via the Policelink App instead of an officer attending the scene, this will directly enhance community safety through time being reinvested into other operational priorities.

You can contact Policelink by:
- Phoning 131 444
- Using the Policelink Smartphone Application to make an online report.
- Visiting policelink.qld.gov.au to access online reporting. Fill in the form and hit submit. It's that easy!
- Online reporting can also be accessed via the Queensland Police Website at www.police.qld.gov.au

Photos and videos can also be uploaded to include in reports, as well as a number of reporting options including:
- Noisy party reporting
- ‘track-my-crime’
- Stolen property updates
- Wooling
- Witness damage
- Tax fare evasion
- Graffiti
- Withdrawal of complaint forms.

The Policelink number to remember for non-emergent police contact is 131 444.