Hi Parents,

What a fantastic fortnight we have had!

Our students are engaged in their learning, we have had a table tennis competition (see report from our school leaders), there’s been a P&C meeting, school photos and crazy hair day where almost every student participated in the fun to raise money for the Leukaemia foundation (see report from Mrs Edwards).

Although it has been a busy few weeks, we are all very proud of how our students are behaving and at how focussed their minds are on their school work.

The back page of this newsletter has the names of our wonderful students that have impressed us this past fortnight. Well done boys and girls!

As we are almost at the end of term 1, the teachers would be starting to collect assessments on your children, in preparation for our semester 1 report cards in June. Please ensure you are assisting your child to perform at their absolute best by making sure they get a good night’s sleep on school nights and have healthy food in their lunch box.

New for parents, is the QSchools App!

This app offers you a quick way to access our school website and all it has to offer, including contact information, newsletters, alerts and emergency announcements.

It is a FREE APP available from Apple iTunes, Google Play and Windows Stores.

Download it now and have a look at what our school page looks like.

Healthy Active Kids

Attached to this newsletter is a set of lunchbox stickers and a chart for each of the students to encourage and help with healthy choices for their lunchboxes.
OTHER NEWS:

MOTHER’S DAY
The order has been sent away and these gifts will remain at the school until the Friday before Mother’s Day. It was fantastic to see every child participate in purchasing a gift for our wonderful Mother’s and Grandmother’s. The students made some lovely choices.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE
The chocolates will be arriving shortly and once we have confirmation of the date that they will arrive at the school, we will contact those families who have ordered and get you to pick them up from the school office.

ICAS
If you are wanting to enrol your child to participate in ICAS Testing this year, you will need to indicate on the form which has been sent home previously and return it to the office with the correct nomination fee no later than Monday 20 April, 2015.

ICAS is an annual skills development program in key areas of learning for students in Years 2-12, assessments are available in Digital Technology, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and writing.

SCHOOL CAMP—CURRIMUNDI (SUNSHINE COAST)
Attached to the newsletter is an Expression of Interest for our school camp this year. Please complete this form and return it to the office by Friday 27 March. Thank you in advance.

PREP CLASS
Our Prep’s are Awesome!!
This week our prep students, Phoebe, Shaniah, Simone and Ryan have been working hard on the letters ‘l’, ‘f’ and ‘b’. Their writing is improving and they can tell me lots of words that start with these letters.
Ask them to write these letters at home for you and try and trick them with naming some l, f or b words!!
Mrs Emmerson.

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Our next P & C Meeting—Tuesday 5 May, 2015
ALL WELCOME
LEADERS CORNER
For the past two weeks at school we have been busy. We have been having school leader meetings to decide on activities for the students and teachers to enter. We have had lots of fun during our lunch break. Our last event was the Thornton State School Ping Pong Competition. We had two categories, one was the students and the other one was the teachers. The winner of the student competition was Noah Emmerson. Noah had to play the winner of the teacher competition who was Mrs Emmerson and in that match the winner was Noah.

Thanks
Noah, Layla and Archer

GERMAN NEWS
Hi Everyone, just a short note to let you know about an activity that has started in German lessons. Students will have a small amount of homework set every week in an online activity called Language Perfect. If they are allowed to access the internet at home, it would be appreciated if they could spend a short amount of time each week practising skills learnt in class. I have given students a small blue card that has the website address, as well as their username and password details to take home. Students have been asked to not change their password and if the website asks for an email address to not give these details. Thank you for your anticipated support in your child’s learning in German.

Alles beste, Frau Chapman

LIBRARY NEWS

Bookfair
Another successful Bookfair has come to an end for this year. Thank you for the generous support from our families and community. A total of $633 in sales were received. This gave us $63.00 of commission to purchase books for our library. Congratulations to Charlotte, Jack, Shannan, Paxton, Layla and Ryan who were the colouring in competition winners. They each received a $10 gift voucher to spend at Bookfair.

Bookclub
There will be no more Bookclub ordering or issues until next term.

Library Borrowing
Just a reminder that library borrowing for seniors is on a Monday and for the juniors on Thursday. We appreciate that the books that are being borrowed are being returned on time and in good condition. Keep up the great effort students!!!

Thank you
Mel Sutherland
Crazy Hair Day – Great Success!!!

Thank you to all those parents and students who supported this year’s CRAZY HAIR DAY last Friday 13th March, including those mums and grandmas who joined us for the fun!!

We had 6 students shave for the fundraiser and 24 students colouring. A huge effort for a small school of 31 students!!

As the final day for sponsorship money to come in is tomorrow, a final amount raised cannot be tallied just yet.

I will let you know in the next newsletter just how much money our community raised for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Well done everyone!

Mrs Edwards (Co-ordinator)
Crazy Hair Day – More Photos!!!!
School Awards: Weeks 6 & 7

Junior:

Student of the Week: Rick Pollock (6) Ryan Finden (7)
English: Connor Tydd (6) Jennifer Beezley (7)
Maths: Patrick Tydd (6)
History/Geography: Joanah Millard (6) Paxton Woodward (7) Spence Marshall (7)
PE: Darcy Kelly (7)
Science: Jack Moss (6)
Music: Shaniah Boyes (7)
Spelling: Shaniah Boyes (6) Ryan Finden (6) Phoebe Millard (6) Simone Tydd (6) Chad Pollock (7)

Senior:

Student of the Week: Ashley Taber (6) Archer Moss (7)
Music: Arher Moss (7)
PE: Jamal Selimich (7)
Civics & Citizenship: Penny Taber (6) Noah Emmerson (7)
History: Lachlan Litfin (6) Layla Millard (7)
Maths: Chad Pollock (6 & 7)
Science: Chad Pollock (6)
Literacy: Noah Boyes (6) Ashley Taber (6) Shannan Marshall (7) Joanah Millard (7)
Art: Boe Millard (6) Penny Taber (7)
German: Charlotte Moss (7)