Dear parents,

Our fortnight has been very consistent with the students starting to sit their assessment in preparation of their half yearly report cards (coming home in week 11). We are still teaching some areas that will be assessed later in the term, but our STARS and STAMS programs assessment is underway. We are pleased with how our group work is assisting our student movement and are very happy with the calm and routine nature of the timetable. This would not run as smoothly without the parent helpers who come into our school. Thank you again to our parents who donate their time to assist all of our students.

Welcome back Mrs Emmerson!! Mrs Emmerson returned to us this week from maternity leave. Ms Peta Hart did a fantastic job in her absence, and was farewelled last Friday by our students. Thank you Ms Hart for fitting in so well out here and making our time with you enjoyable. Mrs Emmerson works with our junior class on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week. Miss Harch is the junior teacher aide on Monday and Friday each week. Miss Harch’s new days in the office as our Administration Officer are Tuesday and Thursday.

Our Small Schools Athletics carnival is fast approaching (Thursday 16th June – week 10). Coming home with this newsletter, you will find a tuckshop order form for each child. Please ensure you return this form and the money to school NO LATER THAN 7TH JUNE.

Permission notes and further information regarding the day will be sent home next week.

Our students were all very excited on Monday when we went to Toowoomba for the ANZAC Experience. The display was very well organised and our students impressed with their lovely manners and respectful movement throughout the exhibit. Thank you again to our P&C who paid for the bus, making this a zero cost outside learning experience for our students. If your family is interested in still seeing the exhibit, it is thoroughly worth it and highly recommended. The display is now moving to Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre and free tickets can be booked by following the link below.


Have a great fortnight,

Erika
News from the Junior Room

Dear Parents,

We are still so busy with all our work at school. Students are studying heat in science and we are learning about expansion and contraction and temperature (very appropriate with our cold mornings). In Reading students are improving and moving up to new level readers. Students have also commenced writing their own diaries every day and they are really enthusiastic about this.

In Mathematics we have been studying money and the 50 year anniversary of our decimal currency, along with time and measuring mass. Students are also improving in their STAMS maths work in their Maths groups.

This Thursday is National Sorry Day and we will be discussing this important day in history with the students. Reconciliation Week then follows from 27th May to 3rd June.

Students are working hard towards their Jump Rope for Heart goal of $200.00 and are doing fantastic skipping routines for you to see on the 24th June. Please enrol your child/children online and start sponsoring them for the big day. Sponsorship is easy – simply go online to heartfoundation.org.au/jump rope and register your child today!

Thank you all once again for your tremendous support,

Yours sincerely,

Sandy O'Sullivan

P&C Meetings:

Next Meeting 21st June 2016

(Now change to the 3rd Tuesday of the month starting at 7:00pm)

ALL WELCOME
LIBRARY NEWS:

Library Lessons
The junior class and I discussed Fairy Tales this week. Each student displayed a great knowledge of the many stories that have been instilled in their minds since a young bub. We talked about characters appearance, personalities and what they may have said or done.

The senior class used their dictionaries to explore in more detail about sharks. We discovered things we never knew! It really is fantastic to see our senior students so involved in our lessons together.

Reader's Cup
Next Friday is when our students will battle it out to become the new champions engraved on the Reader's Cup trophy! There will be 4 teams trying their best to remember information out of the books they have been asked to read over the last few weeks. Good luck to all of our students.

Book Club
Issue 4 of Book Club has been sent home. Please return all orders and payment details to the office no later than June 6.

Father's Day Orders
We have received the latest catalogue for the students to be able to purchase a gift for Dad or Grandad for Father's Day. I again realise that we are getting in early but this is to ensure we get what we want. A letter will be sent home shortly with the amount this gift/s totals and a permission form. Please sign and return with the correct money to the office by June 22 so as ordering can be done before the holidays. Our students love surprising their parents with these gifts.

Thank you
Mel Sutherland
UNIFORMS

As there has been no interest in purchasing new jackets at this time, I will not be placing an order for these. However, I do have one size 10 and one size 14 available for $30 ea. These are reduced as they are second-hand items. I will place an order for new shirts and hats at the end of the week. ETA for these items is approximately three weeks, so hopefully we will have them in stock before the holidays.

Thankyou
Mrs Emmerson

GERMAN NEWS:

OKTOBERFEST

Oktoberfest for Teens is held every year in Brisbane and students who are in Year 6 in the Lockyer Valley Cluster of schools are invited to attend. This year it will be held on Thursday 13 October and a bus will transport students from Gatton. The cost of the event is approximately $50 and this includes your child’s travel to the event and return, a small lunch and a drink (e.g. water), entertainment at the event and some rides. Students will participate in cultural activities on the day and will meet both students from the Lockyer Valley and beyond who are learning German. It is a beneficial learning experience for all students and a chance to mix with other students who are learning German. A permission note with the exact cost will come out in early Term 3 and will need to be returned by the middle of August. I will inform students of the deadlines when the note comes home. Thank you for your anticipated co-operation with this experience.
Alles beste, Frau Chapman

Parent Riddle

Q: In a one story pink house, there was a pink person, a pink cat, a pink fish, a pink computer, a pink chair, a pink table, a pink telephone, a pink shower, everything was pink! What colour were the stairs?

Last week’s A

The IR was the boy’s mother.
**Junior:**

**Student of the Week:** Paxton Woodward (5) & Joe Foxlee (6)

**PE:** Darcy Kelly (5) & Jennifer Beezley (6)

**Music:** Joe Foxlee (5)

**Math:** Zoe Bould (5) & Isaiah Bould (6)

**Science:** Joe Foxlee (5) & Zoe Bould (6)

**Art:** Zoe Bould (5) & Dylan Podham (6)

**Reading:** Jennifer Beezley (5) & Phoebe Millard (6)

**Act of Kindness:** Dylan Podham (5) & Jack Moss (6)

**Senior:**

**Student of the Week:** Jada Phillips (5) & Ashley Taber (6)

**Math:** Jett Emmerson & Boe Millard

**History:** Jett Emmerson (5)

**Science:** Cheyanne Podham (5)

**German:** Lachlan Litfin (6)

**Art:** Cheyanne Podham (5)

**Library:** Damien Jones (6)

**Music:** Damien Jones (5) & Ashley Taber (6)

**PE:** Jada Phillips (6)

**Reading:** Lachlan Litfin (5) & Chad Pollock (6)

**Spelling:** Boe Millard (5) & Penny Taber (6)

**Writing:** Jett Emmerson (5)

**Act of Kindness:** Ashley Taber (5)

**Typing:** Penny Taber (6)
Come along and support our local community!!!

THE BAND-O’-COOTS
BUSHBAND

COME TO MULGOWIE FOR A
BUSH DANCE!

SATURDAY
28TH MAY 2016
MULGOWIE HALL - 10KMS FROM LAIDLEY

SAUSAGE SIZZLE FROM 5:30PM - MUSIC STARTS 6:30PM

ADULTS $10
SCHOOL CHILDREN $5
(FREE FOR UNDER 5s)
FAMILY $30

INCLUDES:
TEA, COFFEE & WATER
WINE & CRAFT BEER,
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BOOK EARLY TO SAVE DISAPPOINTMENT!

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ANNE 0413 126 114
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PROCEEDS IN AID OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MULGOWIE HALL
News: Notices

GRANDCHESTER STATE SCHOOL

TRIVIA NIGHT!

TREASURE CHEST FULL OF PRIZES FOR WINNING TEAM
PRIZE FOR BEST DRESSED TABLE/TEAM

7PM FRIDAY JUNE 3RD

GRANDCHESTER HOTEL

$10 PER HEAD & 8 MAX PER TABLE/TEAM

COME & JOIN THE FUN!

TO HELP OUR YR 5 & 6’s GET TO CANBERRA!

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