Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Thanks to the tuckshop team!

Tuckshop Day is tomorrow, Friday 2 November, and our school would like to give a big thank you to all of our tuckshop helpers and volunteers who have put in a great effort this year.

The role of our tuckshop and the people who provide nutritious food and drinks for students and staff is very important to our school community. I hope after each shift our tuckshop helpers feel their contribution has been appreciated by the students and the school.

The many volunteers who put their hands up to help out have been wonderful and it is great to have them involved in the school’s daily operations.

A special thank you must go to our lovely tuckshop convenor, Mrs Tanya Hooper. Thank you for all you do to help keep our tuckshop running. We really appreciate it!

ROAD SAFETY

We want to see all of our students travelling to and from school safely. It is essential that all students riding bikes have helmets. Children should be walking or riding down the edge of the road if there are no footpaths. Could parents please discuss road safety with their children as we have had some concerned residents contact the school about unsafe behaviour on the roads – particularly students on bikes.

FAMILY PORTRAIT FUNDRAISER

Information about the Family Portrait Fundraiser that the P&C is running was sent home a couple of weeks ago. This is happening on Sunday, 18th November. This is a great chance to take advantage of having some great family photos for Christmas gifts, along with supporting our P&C. Please phone or come into the office to arrange your appointment time for your family photos!

STATEMENTS

Some families will find attached to this newsletter a current statement. If you have paid by EFT or have sent along payment this week, please disregard this amount. If you are finding it difficult to pay in one bulk amount and would rather pay weekly or fortnightly, please come and see us. We are only too happy to help you out with this. All accounts must be finalised by the second last week of school to allow for the closing off period in One School. If there are any discrepancies on your statement, please give Jill a call in the office (Monday – Thursday) as she will be only too pleased to discuss this matter with you. Please bear with us as we are still adjusting to the Finance package in One School. It is very important that all accounts must be finalised by Friday, 7th December.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 4

NOVEMBER

2nd November – SEAT visit
5th November - Playgroup
18th November – Family Portrait Fundraiser
21st November – School Concert
21st November – Book Fair Starts
29th November – Caffey Swimming Carnival

DECEMBER

3rd – 7th December – Tallebudgera Camp
10th December – Move Up Day
12th December – Year 7 Graduation Dinner
HEADLICE
We have had some cases of head lice at the school. Could all parents please check your children’s hair and ensure that there are no eggs or lice visible. If live lice are found on children at school, they will be sent home. Children’s hair needs to be treated before returning to school.

AASC
This term we will be having the Active After School Communities Program again on offer. Netball will be on Monday and AFL will be on Tuesday. It is not too late to join so please come along on Monday or Tuesday next week and have fun and learn some new skills.

BOOK FAIR
BOOK FAIR will commence on Wednesday afternoon 21st November and end on Tuesday afternoon 27th November and will take place every morning before school and after school in the school library. This is a great opportunity to buy books for Xmas presents as every dollar spent goes towards the purchasing of new library books for the school.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

0 Days Absent – Term 3
Prep: James & Zac
Year 1: Rylie
Year 4: Jessica
Year 5: Kyle
Year 7: Jacob

1 Day Absent – Term 3
Year 2: Suzie & Jeremy
Year 3: Shannon & Makayla
Year 4: Aimee
Year 5: Kymberley
Year 6: Michael
Year 7: Daniel

GOTHCHA WEEKLY AWARDS
These Awards are for positive behaviour and attitudes of students in and out of the classroom. The names of students are put into a Special Gotcha Award Box and names are then drawn out on parade every Monday morning where they can choose a special prize.

GOTHCHA AWARDS - 1/11/12
Lakeisha & Madison (Year 1) – for “I can do it” attitude.
Jaylon (Year 2) – for being independent.
Ruby (Year 3) – for being independent.
Tahlia D (Year 4) – for working tough.
Joshua (Year 4) – for being independent.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
22/10/12 & 1/11/12

P-1 CLASS
Olivia (Prep) – for being a great learner and focusing well on her work.
Zac (Prep) – for trying very hard at his reading and being on his best behaviour.

Baden (Year 1) – for applying himself in mathematics and improvement in reading.
Lakeisha (Year 1) – for applying herself to her work and always being on her best behaviour.

2/3 CLASS
Jessica (Year 2) – for always listening in class and staying on task.
Jazmine (Year 2) – for putting a 100% into her school work and completing activities independently & with enthusiasm.

Ruby (Year 3) – for being persistent when learning about money and I really admire you for your never give up attitude.
Sara (Year 3) – for being a maths whizz and helping her peers better understand money & time.

4/5 CLASS
Jacob (Year 4) – for trying his best an all aspects of his schooling and being a great friend to all of his classmates.
Tahlia B (Year 4) – for quietly committing herself to completing her school work and for following instructions.

Bailey (Year 5) – for being a polite & hardworking member of the 4/5 class. You are a pleasure to teach, Bailey!
Brydie (Year 5) – for being a kind and caring member of the 4/5 classroom. Thank you for being so supportive of your classmates, Brydie!

6/7 CLASS
Reece (Year 6) – for making positive choices in classroom behaviour.
Jodie (Year 6) – for displaying respectful behaviour to all staff.

Francis (Year 7) – for her responsible & independent manner in completing classroom & homework worksheets.
Issac (Year 7) – for making mature & independent choices.
Absence Note
Every Day Counts

Dear __________________,

My child _______________ was away on __ / __ / __ due to:-

☐ sickness
☐ holiday
☐ family reasons
☐ other
☐ ____________________________

Parent Signature ____________________________

Date ____________________________

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES
AASC

My children will be attending the AASC Netball program.

Name: ____________________________

Names of children attending:
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________________________________
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Signature: ____________________________

MULCH

If anyone is interested in mulch for their garden, we have a large supply at school. There is a big pile near the gates at the southern end of the school grounds. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Students inspired to stay safe

Award-winning injury prevention program, the Spinal Education Awareness Team (SEAT) will inspire students at our school to stay safe. The SEAT team will be visiting our school on 2nd November to present a safety message to our students.

Run by the Spinal Injuries Association and accredited by Education Queensland, SEAT has a proud 24 year history having reached more than 1.4 million students and counting!

At the heart of the program are the 18 volunteer presenters based throughout Queensland, who all have a spinal cord injury and use a wheelchair. Because there’s no cure for a spinal cord injury, they’re committed to educating young people on how to stay safe.
The SEAT team reinforce messages like always wearing your seatbelt, wearing a helmet when on a bike or a skateboard, the importance of playing sports fairly and walking into any body of water to check its depth. These simple tips could save young people from sustaining a permanent disability.

Thanks to the generous major sponsorship by BHP Billiton Cannington Mine, the program is free until 30 June 2013. The Mine’s assistance, along with the support of other sponsors – the Queensland Government, the Motor Accident Insurance Commission and the RBSM Foundation – means the SEAT presenters are on track to speak to more than 100,000 children throughout the state this year alone.

For more information on how the Association supports 2,000 Queenslanders with spinal cord injuries, or to support the Association yourself, please visit www.spinal.com.au

Cricket Coaching Camp 13-16 January 2013
At Toowoomba Grammar School

A Cricket Coaching Camp for boys aged 10 to 13 years is being held at Toowoomba Grammar School from 13 to 16 January, 2013. The camp has been running very successfully for many years with boys from Toowoomba and afar enjoying the experience. The camp provides expert coaching for all aspects of the game, including experience on turf wickets and bowling machine video analysis.

The cost of the camp is $300 which includes coaching, lunch, morning and afternoon tea, camp shirt and prizes. Boys from out of town also have the option of “living-in” at Toowoomba Grammar School. The cost for live-in is $400 which includes all meals and accommodation. For further information and booking details, please contact the Sport and Activities Office at Toowoomba Grammar School on 46872529.