Dear Parents & Caregivers,

As we near the end of another school year we begin the process of getting organised for next year. Some of our families are moving to new places and we have a number of new families joining our school next year.

We are in the process of working out possible classes for 2013 and we would appreciate it if you could contact the school office as soon as possible to advise us if you will not be returning to Grantham State School.

If you know of new families who are considering attending next year who have not yet contacted the school we would love to hear from them before the end of the year.

SCHOOL CONCERT

This year our school concert will be on November 21st. Our drama building is not big enough to seat everyone comfortably and so we will be holding our concert at Gatton State School in their lovely hall.

The evening will commence with a BBQ at 5:30. The sausages will be provided by our fabulous P&C and drinks will be available to purchase.

All of the children will be performing on the night and we will have some special performances from our school choir and our newly formed instrumental group. We would love it if every single student could be there with their families on the night. Could you please assist us by completing the form at the end of the newsletter to let us know how many people in your family will be attending.

Please note that due to the surface in the hall, ladies are requested to not wear stiletto heels.

BOOK FAIR

BOOK FAIR is on again. This is a great opportunity to buy books for Xmas presents as every $ spent goes towards the purchasing of new library books for the school.

**When:** 21/11/12 – 27/11/12
**Where:** Grantham School Library

Times: 8.15 – 9.00 am
2.30 – 4.30 pm

So come along and view all the wonderful books that are available to purchase.

**BOOK FAIR 21 – 26 NOVEMBER**

Justin James recently published a book ‘Justin 9’. As part of our Book Fair celebrations we will be holding a school book launch for Justin. He will be present at Book Fair on Thursday 22nd November to sign copies. Copies of this book will also be available to purchase. It is great to have such talented students in our school.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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**NOVEMBER**

19th November - Playgroup
21st November – School Concert
21st November – Book Fair Starts
22nd November – Book Launch for Justin James
29th November – Caffey Swimming Carnival

**DECEMBER**

3rd – 7th December – Tallebudgera Camp
10th December – Move Up Day
12th December – Year 7 Graduation Dinner
SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

As we draw near to the end of the school year we would request that parents assist us by finalising their school accounts. All money owed needs to be finalised by December 7th.

BOOKCLUB

Bookclub pamphlets for Issue 8 were issued last week. Please have all orders along with payment returned to the office by Wednesday, 21st November at 9.30 am. Thanks for your support!

UNIFORM ORDERS

A Uniform Order Sheet was attached to last week’s newsletter. Should you wish to order uniforms for 2013, please complete the order form and return to the school office as soon as possible. This will at least give us some idea of quantities to order. As we are planning to place an order very soon for 2103, your promptness in returning the form is very much appreciated.

IGA $50K Community Giveaway

The second round of the Supa IGA Community Giveaway has now commenced and we urge you to keep contributing your points to the P&C. This is such an easy way to ‘do your bit’ towards supporting your hardworking P&C!

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.

PHOTO FUNDRAISER

Due to the lack of bookings for the P&C Photo Fundraiser this Sunday, 18th November, we have had to cancel this event. We apologise for the inconvenience.

If you made a booking and paid your $15.00 deposit, please collect his from the school office as soon as possible.

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.

GOTCHA AWARDS - 15/11/12

Holly (Prep) - for “I can do it” attitude.
Britney (Year 1) - for “I can do it” attitude.
Sara (Year 3) – for working tough.
Tahlia D (Year 4) – for working tough.

It is interesting to note that one of our Year 7 girls was chosen for a Gotcha Award and asked if she could forfeit her award to go towards one of the Prep/One students. This shows a very kind and caring attitude. Thank you, Francis.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

15/11/12

P-1 CLASS
Natalie (Prep) – for consistently applying herself to all of her work and being a model student.
Helen (Year 1) – for making significant contributions to our English discussions.

2/3 CLASS
Suzie (Year 2) – for making an effort to stay on task.
Cindy-Lee (Year 3) – for making an effort to stay on task.

4/5 CLASS
Chloe (Year 4) – for amazing improvement in her PAT testing. Awesome Chloe!
Flexias (Year 5) – for continuing improvement in her attitude towards learning and her behaviour. Keep it up!!

6/7 Class
Tahlia (Year 6) – for having pride in her school work and completing work tasks on time.
Gregory (Year 7) – for completing work tasks on time.

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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Signature: ________________________

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES
AASC

My children will be attending the AASC AFL program.

Name: ________________________

Names of children attending:

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Signature: ________________________

SCHOOL CONCERT

FAMILY NAME: ________________________

Yes we are attending the school concert evening on 21st November 2012.

______________ family members will be in attendance.

We require __________ sausages for our family.

The Helidon QCWA Ladies are holding a Christmas Tombola at the QCWA Rooms in Railway Street Helidon on the 26th of November at 10am. Admission is $5 per person which includes a delicious morning tea. There will also be a Lucky Door Prize and a multi-draw raffle. So get your friends together for an enjoyable morning. For more information call Annette on 46976236.