Reminders for This Week

- Check children’s hair for head lice.
- ANZAC Day parade & March

Attention Parents

We have had a case of Whooping Cough at the school. If your child has not been immunized against this, please keep a close watch on your child and if a cough persists, please contact your doctor.

Events Calendar

Term 2

APRIL

Tuesday 23rd—ANZAC Parade

Thursday 25th—ANZAC Day
Meet at 10am in North Street Gatton

Diligence, Creativity, Integrity and Empathy

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 2. The staff of the school are very excited about the term ahead.

The students in Prep—5 will be attending excursions at some point this term and information will be going home about this in the coming week.

This term we are also commencing our options afternoon. A big thank you to Mrs Sarah Karrasch, Mrs Nerida James, Mrs Sandra Pollock and Mrs Tanya Hooper for coming along to support this program. The program will be commencing in Week 3 and finishing in Week 7.

This term students in Grades 3, 5 and 7 will be participating in the NAPLAN (National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy) tests. Students are assessed in the areas of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. All students are expected to sit the tests, however if you have any concerns regarding the tests please contact your child’s teacher.

Information about other events is inside the newsletter so please take the time to read through.

Options Afternoon

This term our whole school will participate in an “options” afternoon on Thursday between 2:00—3:00pm.

An options afternoon is where students get to choose an activity that they are interested in.

We would like to invite parents to join us for this exciting venture. If you have a skill that you would like to share with our students we would love to hear from you.

It could be scrapbooking, craft, art, woodwork, sport, gardening, models (trains, planes, etc), knitting… it is entirely up to you. The staff will also be offering students the opportunity to try something new, but we would love to have as many parents as possible who are willing to come along and support this new offering at Grantham State School.

If you are able to assist this term for one hour per week, please fill out the form on the back of the newsletter.

Absence Note

Every Day Counts

My child ____________________ was away on ____________________

Reason: ______________________________________________________

Parent Signature ____________________ Date _____________________
School Arrival Time

We have a large number of children arriving prior to 8.30am. Students should arrive between 8:30 and 8:50 ready to commence at 9:00am unless they catch the bus or their parents have made arrangements with the principal. Your assistance with this matter is appreciated.

ANZAC DAY PARADE

Parents and community members are invited to join us on Tuesday 23rd April for our ANZAC Day Parade commencing at 9am. We will once again be joined by Mr Don Nielson of the Ma Ma Creek RSL. Our Year 7 students will be running this special parade and they would appreciate your support or improve on the number of students attending this important event. Students who wish to participate should meet Miss Armstead near the council office at 10am for a 10:30 start.

In matters of truth and justice, there is no difference between large and small problems, for issues concerning the treatment of people are all the same.

Albert Einstein

BEHAVIOUR

This week we will be teaching students some new routines. Last term we introduced a new routine at lunch time and this term we have made a further two changes to our lunch time routine.

The first is that at first break students will sit in House Teams. Each team will have a nominated staff member who will ensure that children are eating their healthy food.

BREAKFAST CLUB

We are in the process of finding a new chaplain after Nyree’s departure last term. Until we have a new chaplain, there will be no breakfast club available of a morning. Please ensure your child has breakfast before leaving home or brings extra food.

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P&C NEWS

Our next P&C meeting will be on Monday 22nd April at 7pm. All welcome.

Hygiene

Dear Parents,

With the cooler weather approaching it is a good time to review good hygiene with your children. Last year there were many children who had the flu and there were also a couple of nasty tummy bugs making the rounds.

Following are some tips to help you keep your kids healthy this flu season.

1. Wash hands regularly
2. Cover your mouth when you cough
3. Catch it. Bin it. Kill it
4. Stay home if you have a cold
5. Consider getting a flu shot

Gotcha Winners

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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PREP:

CLAYTON for working hard and trying his best in class.

YEAR 1:

LOUISE for trying her best to follow our classroom rules and for making good choices.

YEAR 2:

TAHLIA for her consistent high standard of work and behaviour.

YEAR 3:

LUCAS for making a big effort to follow instructions and completing set tasks independently.

YEAR 4:

PHOEBE for great application to her school work.

YEAR 5:

JOSHUA for applying himself well to class tasks.

YEAR 6:

ELEXIAS for making an effort to apply herself to learning and helping others.

YEAR 7:

RHYS for always working to the best of his ability and being kind and courteous.