Dear Parents and Carers,

As our school year draws to a close, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the many people who make our school such a vibrant community of learners.

Thank you to our wonderful P&C for their financial contributions, supporting our school through fund raising and Working Bees, tuckshop and helping make decisions about learning at our school.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who have come to support our students and our staff.

Thank you to all of the businesses who have supported our school this year.

Coles Supermarket—Gatton
The Big Orange
Grantham Community Store
Stanbroke

Thank you to all of the amazing staff that I work alongside everyday. You are all talented, professional, supportive and genuinely caring people and I am very privileged to work with you all.

Finally, a very big thank you to all of our wonderful parents, grandparents and carers who support our school through all you do for your children. Each and every child at Grantham State School is valued and we appreciate the trust you place in us to provide your children with a quality education.

Thank you
Our Students who reached commendable an Exemplary level of behaviour went to Wivenhoe Dam yesterday. They had a wonderful time.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK — 04/12/14

P-1 CLASS
Jackson (Teacher Nominated)
For always displaying a happy positive disposition.

Blayde (Teacher Nominated)
For making a huge effort to stay on task during writing activities.

2/3 CLASS
Lein (Teacher Nominated) For putting in a great effort into his writing.

Jacob (Teacher Nominated)
For consistently applying himself to all of his school work.

3/4/5 CLASS
Tash (Teacher Nominated) For always working diligently.

Jeremy (Teacher Nominated)
For an improvement in thinking about others and being considerate of staff.

5/6/7 CLASS
Danny (Teacher Nominated)
For working hard on his assessments. Writing thoughtful responses.

Jessica (Peer Nominated) For playing fairly, being kind and including others during activities.
MOVE UP DAY

Monday is our annual MOVE UP DAY! This is an exciting day for students and all new students are welcome to come along and meet our wonderful teachers and students.

Our Pre-preps will be here for the whole day so they can discover what a full day at 'big school' is like.

Our Year 7 students and some of our Year 6 students will go off to high school for the day.

Please be aware that classes for 2015 are not yet finalised and classes for Move Up Day are not final class arrangements.

To commence the day students should report to the following areas:

Congratulations to Grantham Students on being Runners Up at the CAFFEY Small Schools Swimming Carnival.

Thank you to all of the students who participated in the Caffey Small Schools Swimming Carnival last Thursday. We appreciate all those who give effort and have a go and our congratulations to those students who achieved places. Congratulations to Khloe and Chelsea for the achievement of being Age Level Champions.

Thank you also to all the parents who attended to support their children.
Uniform News

We have had some requests for uniform items no longer stocked by the P & C as they did not sell very well. We are happy to order these items in as required. Should you require any of these items please complete the attached order form.

The P & C has decided to hold a second hand uniform morning on Monday 8th December. Should you have any second hand uniforms to sell please pin an envelope to the uniform with the price you would like for the item and your name. Items will be available to purchase under the school building from 8.30 to 9.30 and from 2.30 to 3.15.
Your safety

With the upcoming school holidays, Queensland Rail is urging families and students to be Railsmart by following these simple rules at level crossings and around rail property:

- Pay attention to signs and signals
- Never enter a level crossing if the red lights are flashing and pedestrian gates/boom gates are closed.
- Always look for the second train
- Keep yourself and your mates safe by not taking shortcuts and unnecessary risks around tracks
- Avoid the distractions of headphones and mobile phones

Trains can weigh upwards of 10,000 tonnes and take 2 kms to stop.

Disobeying level crossing signals or trespassing on railway property is not only dangerous, but illegal and could result in prosecution.

Queensland Rail is encouraging parents and schools to discuss this important safety information with their students and children, empowering them to be Railsmart.

Further information and activities for teachers and students can be found at queenslandrail.com.au/railsmart or beonthesafeside.com.au
2015 Enrolments

Our enrolments for 2015 are looking strong and we are excited about planning for a great year ahead. We are currently only a few students short of creating 5 classes for 2015. If you know of anyone who is planning to come to Grantham State School or looking for a great school for their child next year, please encourage them to contact our school office to arrange to receive an enrolment pack or arrange an enrolment interview.

Parents please remember, when making a payment at the school, we are able to accept cash or cheque, we do not have eftpos. Sorry for this inconvenience.

P&C NEWS

- We are starting our collection of donations for our End of Year Raffle. If you know a business that has an item or a service they would be willing to donate, please ask them to contact the school office.
- We are always looking for helpers for Tuckshop. If you can help—even if it’s for only one day, please contact the school office or our Tuckshop convenor—Teresa Hook.
- Do you have any uniforms that you are no longer using? We often have requests for second hand uniforms, so please see one of our friendly P&C members or our school admin staff if you have uniforms to sell.
Two well-known and highly respected Toowoomba sporting identities, Richard “Mr Magic” Mitchell (Football - Soccer) and Clarence “Pop” Dickerson (Basketball) have teamed up to run SUPERCAMP (Football and Soccer) during the January 2015 school holiday period – Sunday 11 to Thursday 15 January 2015 - at Harristown State High School.

Supercamp has long been acknowledged as Australia’s premier sports training camp and with the combined knowledge of Richard and “Pop”, who both have been involved in their respective sporting codes for many years, it will undoubtedly continue to be regarded as the number one camp in Australia.

Should you have any questions regarding Supercamp, please do not hesitate to call 0417 196 151.

Regards

RICHARD “Mr Magic” MITCHELL and CLARENCE “Pop” DICKERSON
Absence Note

Every Day Counts

My child ___________________ was away on _____________________

Reason : ______________________________________________________

Parent Signature__________________

Staff Car Park

A reminder that our car park is for staff only. Parents must not park in the car park unless they have permission from the principal.

Uniform orders - Name ...................................

Gaberdine Shorts $14  Quantity..... Size.....

Gaberdine Skorts $17  Qunatity..... Size.....