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'Strive to Achieve'

Respect	Effort
Safety	Self-Responsibility
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2015 School Improvement Focus: Numeracy Skills & Reading Comprehension

Mr Coleman sends his apologies that this is a short newsletter but he is away sick from school.

Dates for Diaries

25 August Tuesday	P&C Meeting
3 September Thursday	Bundaberg Maths Challenge 9am -1pm
9 September Wednesday	Pie drive forms to be returned to school
11 September Friday	Support Staff Day – to acknowledge the magnificent efforts of all support staff at school.
15-18 September	Mr Coleman on Long Service Leave to Attend Australian Primary Principals Association Conference
17 September	Pie orders ready to collect at 3pm

Awards



Congratulations to Angus, Reef, Levi,
Brianna, Phoebe, Logan, Shelby,
Matthew, Riki, Ricky, Connor, Tasha,
Tempest, Lily, Kelsie, Tori, Shannon,
Ruby, Ashley, Tyler and James on their
meritorious awards.

Well Done!! 😊

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Bus Code of Conduct

Both the school and the Conveyance Committee have been working to address issues in relation to the bus service and have referred a number of incidents to the Department of Transport according to protocols. It is also important to refresh the understanding of both students and families in relation to the responsibilities pertaining to the Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses. Please see the attached document in relation to rights and responsibilities.

Upper School Camp



On camp one of the many highlights was Laser Skirmish. In Laser Skirmish there were 4 team games. The first one was my personal favourite the game was to get more tags than the opposite team. Each team had to come up with their own strategies.

Here is a list of some things we did on Fraser; laser skirmish, canoeing, swimming in the resort pool, orienteering, scavenger hunt, games on the beach, four wheel drive tour, hiking, sand castle competition, climbing sand dunes, eating birthday cake, rainforest walk, Mahino shipwreck, swimming at lake Mc Kenzie, looking for fish at Eli Creek and we had a campfire.

Overall I think everyone had an absolutely fabulous time.

By Alex

My highlight was the laser skirmish because everyone was racing around trying to complete their missions. I think everyone enjoyed laser skirmish because every time I saw someone they had very big smiles on their faces. I also enjoyed Lake McKenzie because it was fresh water and we swam there. It was like a beach with lots of sand and the water was crystal clear. I think everybody enjoyed the trip to camp and the busy schedule packed with exciting activities. I am really looking forward to next year's camp now!

By Ella

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Any students in Yr 4-6 who would like some photos of our trip are welcome to bring in a USB. Please give these to Mrs Hawker.

Maths Challenge

We are busy training, practising and selecting a team of 5 students to represent Goodwood State School at this year's Bundaberg primary school mathematics teams challenge.

At the maths challenge students will work as a team to solve some challenging problems and participate in a maths relay. The aim of the event is to foster interest in creative problem solving, stimulate interest in mathematics and provide a day of intellectual fun in a scholarly atmosphere.

We have included a couple of question examples from previous years.

1. In a particular year that is a leap year the first day of January is a Sunday. What is the Day and date of the 124th day of the year?
2. There is a pole sticking straight up out of a lake. One-half of the pole is buried in the mud below the water, one third is in the water and 3m is above the water. How many metres is the total length of the pole?

Answers at the end of the news letter.

Chess



Congratulations to Bailey, Craig, Ben and Asher who attended the Gardiner Chess Tournament where they joined 119 other students battling for a place to compete at the State Tournament. Congratulations Bailey who

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won a ribbon of merit for winning 4.5 of his seven games. We placed 7th out of the 18 school teams in the primary division. Well Done Team! ☺

Tryouts for those interested in competing in the Bundaberg Chess Club Interschool competition will begin in the next couple of weeks. Please see Mrs Hawker to sign up.

Director General Visit

We were very honoured to have a visit from the Director General. It should be noted that he drove here in his own car on his public holiday. Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us for the parade and afternoon tea. Particular thanks to our choir who entertained us with several songs. Great job! ☺



Athletics

Congratulations to Bailey, Caleb and Joey who represented the Isis District at Wide Bay level athletics. Bailey was awarded age champion at this event. Well done Bailey ☺

Bailey and Joey will be going on to represent us at the next level. Bailey has been selected to compete in the 100m, 200m, high jump and long jump, and Joey will be competing in the 800m.

Good luck and train hard for the next event!

Numeracy/Reading Snippet

This fortnight our reading focus is making connections. Making connections is when we make links between what we already know (our prior knowledge) and the text. To encourage your child to make connections you can ask them if they have experienced that themselves, read about it before or seen it happening in the world or on television.

Messages from P&C

Pie Drive

Please find attached to this newsletter an order form for our P&C Pie Drive Fundraiser. Bundy Pies, a locally owned and operated business will be supplying the yummy pies again this year with a selection of sweet and savoury pies to choose from. Despite a cost price increase, all family pies will remain at \$8.50 each as per last year. However, it is likely that prices will need to be adjusted next year to assist with our fundraising efforts. Please ensure order forms and money are returned to school by Wednesday 9 September. Pie orders will be available for collection on Thursday 17 September at 3pm, therefore school families will need to make arrangements to collect their pie orders as students will not be permitted to transport them home on the school

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bus. Don't forget to ask your family, friends and colleagues as all the money raised will be supporting our school and children. And as an incentive the P&C will be rewarding the student/family that sells the most pies from each classroom with 2x FREE pies! Thank you and happy selling!

Join us for our next meeting

Tuesday 25 August, 3.30pm in the School library. By attending P&C meetings you have the opportunity to discuss many aspects of the school, assist with fundraising, raise concerns and vote on how funds raised are allocated. Major agenda item this meeting will be the possibility of introducing a P&C voluntary contribution for 2016. Please feel free to contact the P&C on

E: pandc@goodwoodss.eq.edu.au if you are unable to attend.

Club Raffles - Donation Request

The P&C are on the lookout for items we can offer as prizes, such as boxes of chocolates, gift sets and baskets etc for our P&C raffles. Please note: Our raffles have now been reduced to one per month instead of four, as costs associated with purchasing multiple weekly raffle prizes made it an unprofitable venture. All monies raised from these raffles go back to the school, so your support for this fundraiser is much appreciated! If you have something you'd like to contribute, donation boxes are located in the office and library. Otherwise, please contact Karen on 0438794646 for collection. Thank you!

Father's Day Stall

Lookout for information coming home soon about our upcoming Father's Day Stall which will be held on Thursday 3 September and Friday 4 September. This stall will provide the kids with an exciting opportunity to "secretly" choose a fabulous gift that is sure to make all the Dads smile.

Disco

Great news! The P&C will be running a Disco soon. Detailed information regarding this exciting event will be available soon.

Community Messages

A **blue light GLOW in the dark dance party** will be held at the Bundaberg PCYC, 48 Targo Street on Saturday 5 September from 5pm to 7.30pm. Wear white or fluoro colours. The dance party is open to Years 2 to Years 9 children. There will be competitions, air-brush tattoos, neon painting, a lucky door prize, loads of prizes and a canteen. The event will be fully supervised by uniformed police officers. Entry is \$5 and \$4 for PCYC members.

Elliott Heads Surf Lifesaving Club are having an Open Day on Sunday 6 Sept at the Elliott Heads Clubhouse, Park St., Elliott Heads from 9am or at our sign-on and pool proficiency on Sunday 13th September at the Bundaberg Swimming Academy, Fitzgerald St., Norville from 9am – 11am. For more information please phone Brandon Harvey on 0439 275 420.

Get your family active and eating well

Families in Bundaberg can now sign up the free healthy lifestyle program called PEACH™ - Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health. Registrations are open for a new group to commence in term 4, 2015.

The program is fun for kids and helps parents and carers make healthy eating and activity a part of every-day life. It is available to families with a child aged between 5-11 years who is above a healthy weight their age and consists of 10 group sessions that run for 90 minutes each.

Topics covered include nutrition skills, reducing screen time and being more active as a family. While the parent sessions are taking place, children enjoy active play with a trained child physical activity facilitator.

What: PEACH (Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health) program

When: Term 4, Thursdays 4.30-6pm (weekly)

Where: Bundaberg West State School

Cost: FREE

The program is funded by the Queensland government and being delivered state-wide by the Queensland University of Technology.

If you would like more information about the PEACH™ program or to register please contact free call 1800 263 519 or visit www.peachqld.com.au

Maths Challenge Answers

1. Thursday 3rd May
2. 18m