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Principal's Points

Education Week

This week our school will be celebrating Education Week. This is always a great opportunity for our students and families to participate in a range of exciting activities. Tomorrow, we will be having a special assembly where many of our music groups will perform for your enjoyment. A special attraction will be our Year 1 Class who will be performing "The Water Cycle Rap". After assembly, you will have the opportunity to visit the classrooms. In the Learning Resource Centre, Mrs Merefield Ward (9.30am) and Mrs Goodwin (10.00am) will be demonstrating some of the ways that the interactive white board can be used in the classroom. At 10.30am, please join us for morning tea in the staffroom. We hope that many of you can join us on this special occasion. Thursday of this week is the NSW Science Competition which will be held in the middle session.

Upgrading of facilities

The painting around the school is still continuing, with the LRC and B Block now completed. The painters have almost completed work on D Block and in a few weeks, we will see the finished product. The painting has

certainly enhanced our environment, giving the school a fresh, new and modern look.

There has been much activity around the school over the past few weeks as we prepare for the MOE rollout. Cabling has been upgraded throughout the school and the Prep Units are now connected to the rest

of the school as they now have access to the internet. This whole process is costing in the vicinity of \$35 000. Thank you to those families who have very kindly forwarded their ICT contribution. Your generosity is helping to enhance the learning of our students in this integral area. If you still wish to contribute, either the whole amount or part thereof, please contact the office – any contribution would be much appreciated.

Cross Country

Congratulations to Kristy Armitage and Samuel Thwaites who were both selected in the North West District Cross Country team. They will compete at the Met North Regional Championships to be held next month. We wish them every success.

Bardon Young Writers

Next week, Payne Road SS will host the BYW workshop for the first time in the fourteen year

history of the event. This workshop is an opportunity for budding young writers from schools in our cluster to come together and work with a visiting author.

This year, Mark Svendsen will be working with the students. We look forward to welcoming Mark and the students to our new facilities and trust that they will have both an enjoyable and rewarding week.

P-3 Sports Day

I hope you all have Friday, 6 June marked in your diary as this is the morning that the Prep-Year 3 children have their Sports Day. The children really enjoy this day as there is maximum participation. Flat races for the Year1-Year 3 children will be held on 17 June at the school Athletics Carnival. I look forward to seeing many of you next Friday. More details will be forthcoming next week.

Fanfare

Next Monday, our Concert Band and Senior String Ensemble will be competing in Fanfare at The Gap High School. The performance begins at 1.30pm and all parents are welcome to attend.

Fundraiser

On 11 June we will be having a "support your team" day. Children are encouraged to wear colours of their favourite sporting team. A gold coin donation is requested and all money raised will assist one of our former students, Maddie Edmunds, who has been selected in the Junior Australian Rowing Team. Perhaps in the future we will be watching Maddie compete in the Olympic Games!

Organization

There will be no newsletter next week of due to the MOE rollout. Also there will be no internet access from Friday afternoon until Wednesday.

Vicki Richards (Acting Principal)

Deputy Principals Points

Environment Club

The environment club at the school has been focusing on sustainability of our school environment and also looking after some of our garden areas. In recent times it has been hard to run the club due to being one teacher down (Mr Hemming on leave). It would be great if we could get some interested parents or family members involved who are able to work with small groups of our students maintaining some of the school environment. We are hoping to have the SOWN (Save Our Waterways Now) group in to talk to some of our students and work on the Enoggera Creek area that runs along side our school. If you are available to help out with the Environment club at 7.45am on a Tuesday morning, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

Mark Johnstone (Deputy Principal)

TERM 2 DATES

Week 7: 26 May – 30 May

- 26 – 30 May – State Education Week
- 28 May & 31 May – GRIPPS Auditions.
- 29 May – Science Competition Yrs 3 – 7

Week 8: 2 June – 6 June

- 2-6 June – Bardon Young Writers Week
- 3 June – Regional Cross Country
- 6 June – P-3 Sports Day

Week 9: 9 June – 13 June

- 9 June – Queen's Birthday Holiday
- 12 June – Yrs 3B, 3UB and 1M – Out-of-the-Box Excursion

- 13 June – Treat Time – SHOCK Coffee Van
 - 15 June – Working Bee – 8.00am to Noon
- Week 10: 16 June-20 June**
- 16 June – Athletics Carnival
 - 17 June – Athletics Carnival
 - 19 June – P&C Meeting 7.30pm
 - 20 June - Winter Sport concludes for Term 2
- Week 11: 23 June – 27 June**
- 24 & 25 June – Maestro Strings Camp Yr 5
 - 27 June – MEAL DEAL

VACATION: 27 JUNE TO 15 JULY

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

The Junior and Senior Strings and the Senior Concert Band will be playing on Assembly this week for Education Week. Please be on time for your rehearsals and do not forget your music. Notes regarding Fanfare (Senior Strings & Band) and Qld Youth Music Awards (Senior Strings) have been given out. If you have misplaced your note please see the office. Please return all permission slips to the office. It is very important that all members of the groups perform at the upcoming performances.

It is hard to believe that GRIPPS auditions are only a few days away! All students auditioning should be madly practicing for the audition. Please remember that you must do well at the audition to be invited to attend GRIPPS. You should be practicing your program repetitively (i.e. 5 – 10 times not once or twice per day). Concentrate and evaluate your playing, looking for ways to improve. Good luck to the following students who are auditioning on Saturday - Emily Lane, Lachlan Claffey, Oliver Shann, Tim Watson, Sarah Rossiter, Claudia Cramond, Eliza Cooke, Rachel Limpus, Tallulah McVilly, Tim Holmes and Jess Clarkson.

The Maestro String Camp (year 5 strings) information will be given out shortly.

Just a reminder, with the changing of the weather it is very important for students to have

spare strings. Please consider the quality and not just the price of the strings you are purchasing. There is a noticeable difference in sound when cheaper strings are used. It is also recommended that you replace your strings every six to twelve months. Strings lose their brilliance and edge over time and become dull and unresponsive. Most musicians don't realize how the sound of their strings changes because the change is so gradual. If you are hiring a school instrument and a string breaks you are responsible for replacing the string. Most music shops will put the string on for you but if not, please bring it to your lesson.

Music Dates

Education Week performance – Junior, Senior Strings & Senior Concert Band - Wednesday 28 May

GRIPPS Auditions - Saturday 31 May

Fanfare – Senior Strings & Senior Concert Band- Monday 2 June

QYMA – Senior Strings- Wednesday 4 June

Maestro String Camp - Tuesday 24 & Wednesday 25 June

No String lessons or Ensembles - Wednesday 25 June

Happy practicing.

Mr Hartog and Mrs Dinnis

FOUND

Found in the girls toilets on Friday 23 May, a small ring. If you have lost one and think this one may be yours, please contact the office.

Michele James

NETBALL SENIOR A & JUNIOR A

Against The Gap last Friday, both teams were convincingly beaten. Senior A lost 19 – 2 and Junior A lost 15 – 6. In both games the girls were missing some key players. Thanks to Tallulah,

Sheldon and Sam for helping make a full team in the A's and backing up for their own games. The last quarter saw the best improvements for each team. Training this Friday.

Liz Clancy

GIRLS SOCCER

Girls Soccer another victory! Our girls played against Bardon State School at Rainworth on Friday. After the first half, the opposition was ahead 1 to nil. Showing determination and fantastic teamwork our girls fought back and scored three goals. They did not allow the other team to score another goal. We defeated them 3 to 1. Our goal keepers and defenders did a wonderful job. Kristy Armitage and Becky MacDonald scored our goals. Emily Conn played extremely well and never gave up. Congratulations, all.

Sue Connell

YEAR 6 SOCCER

Year 6 Soccer Boys played Ashgrove on Friday. The boys played well in the first half but only managed one goal, scored by Callum A, while Ashgrove scored 3. The Payne Road team dominated the second half with Rhys M scoring. Many other attempts at goal just missed. The final score ended up Ashgrove 3 – Payne Road 3. Tim W, Michael C and Daniel P all played well.

Gerard Donovan

JUNIOR SOCCER

Bardon d. PRSS A 3-0

Despite the loss, the boys played with determination and courage. The final score didn't reflect our team's efforts and skill. Michael Wood, Jack Suchting, James Ball and Mark Davies had particularly strong games. Reiner Cash had to goal keep the entire game, and made some great saves.

PRSS B d. Mater Dei 3-0

Excellent goals were scored by Adam Ball (2) and Austyn Boardman. Congratulations to the whole team for a well deserved

win. At Wittonga Park next week, Team A plays Ashgrove A. Team B plays Bardon.

**Mark Johnstone
and Angus Milne**

SENIOR SOCCER

Firstly, I would like to apologise for the lack of soccer reports over the past couple of weeks, however, I am happy to report now that the boys have been playing particularly well, so far this season.

Our first week involved a walk over, 5-0 game versus The Gap B. Luke Beasley and Tyler Barthez converted 2 goals each, while Jack Edwards also put through a clean shot to score in the first half.

Week 2 proved to be a little more frustrating for our guys. We spent 90% of the time hovering around their goal, but lacking in clean opportunities to score. Bardon took 1 runaway goal leaving us down a goal by the final whistle.

The boys stepped up to the plate ready to redeem themselves last Friday resulting in a 3-1 win over Ashgrove. Samuel Thwaites was first to place the ball neatly in the net, shortly followed by Oliver Shann's chip into goal. An honourable mention goes to Broden Stafford sending the ball in for each goal. A third goal late in the second half was enough to secure victory, put in by Tyler Barthez following a number of attempts.

Importantly, improvements can be seen in all players as they learn to work together and refine their skills. We are looking forward to a happy season with many fruitful weeks.

Sean Gallagher

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

The Beach Volleyball competition is now in full swing between Ferny Hills SS, Ferny Grove SS and our very own Payne Roadies. Some excellent games played last week, with the Payne Road B team winning all 3

of their games. A player of the match from each team is nominated by the school that is scoring. It is based on sportsmanship, courtesy and manners, and a top effort in the game. Congratulations this week to Margaux, Loren, Charlie, Dylan, Emma D, Jeremy, Jade and Alice.

Wendy Noble

2008 RECIPE BOOK REMINDER

Everyone likes to eat and everyone has a favourite food. Well why not share it with the rest of us! So far we've received only 18 recipes, and we're very grateful for the contributions, but we need more. 18 just aren't enough to make a book, we're not even at the magazine stage yet, so come on and join in. We're not expecting a dish to inspire Gordon Ramsey just something you like to eat. We're all in this together, so remember the greater the contribution the greater the book will be.

We look forward to receiving all your recipes and if you'd like to include a photograph or a drawing then please do so. Please send recipes to payneroad@bigpond.com or hand them in to the office. All contributions wanted, you're part of this community too! Katrina Spark

P&C Fundraising Team

SECRET PAYNE RD DAD'S BUSINESS 2

Following on from the recent successful Dad's seminar /workshop, the 21 delegates who attended on the night, unanimously agreed that the knowledge they gained would be invaluable in improving their parenting skills even though the night's outcome had been a bit one sided in discussion and very few left happy with the actual result.

A second seminar has therefore hastily been arranged for Wednesday the 11 June to be held at the

Ashgrove GC at 7:30pm to address and rectify the unsatisfactory outcome of the first night. A nominal \$10 fee will be charged for expenses payable on the night. Please RSVP by Monday the 9 June if you wish to attend. Delegates on the night unanimously agreed that this workshop would benefit “ALL DADS” and it was agreed the need to stress to other dads the benefits of attending.

Additional subjects to be discussed this time will include;

- Revenge and intimidation tactics in sport. Is the winning at all costs mentality good for our kids?
- Should coaches always stick with their so called winning team or would the rotation factor possibly allow discovery of a hidden “Prince” amongst the kids eagerly waiting on the sidelines
- The Rejection factor. By being deemed not good enough, is your little “Prince” or “Princess”! likely to be psychologically harmed from this experience?
- Red food groups. What other bad food choices are available? New Samples will be provided again for comparison.

So please gentlemen for your children’s sake, consider seriously attending this important learning experience and sign up now.

Mike Price
thegowf@bigpond.net.au

**GRADE 3 PARENTS
CATCH-UP LUNCH -
TUESDAY 3 JUNE
12:30PM**

The parents and carers of the Grade 3 students are invited to a catch-up lunch at Cafe Tara, The Gap (opposite The Coffee Club), on Tuesday 3 June at 12:30pm.

Please RSVP by Monday June 2, as numbers need to be confirmed for the table booking. If you want to go, please advise either **Katrina Shore** ph 3300 7059, email katrinashore@yahoo.com.au, or **Fiona Davies** ph 3366 9025, email Fiona & Peter Davies

petermarkdavies@iprimus.com.au

**TINY TENNIS & TINY
SOCCER**

Tennis Enrolments are still open at Payne Road State School for tiny tennis and big tennis. You can enrol online for big tennis at www.wimblegap.com.au and tiny tennis at www.tinytennis.com.au or telephone John Berry 3300 2246 or 0421 502022 to have a chat. Have a good one.

John Berry (3300 2246)

TUCKSHOP

Tuckshop is again offering you the chance to purchase your very own Apple Slinky machine. They must be ordered and paid for by Friday 13 June.

Price is \$30, which is a saving of at least \$10 off retail price. Please complete the order form in this newsletter or call in and see me at tuckshop on a Tuesday or Thursday.

ROSTER

Thursday Tuckshop 29 May

Melinda Chandler, Emma Clarkson, Alex Cruickshank, Jean Wight

**2 MORE VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

Tuesday Tuckshop 3 June

Tanya Alcock, Faye Holmes, Deanne Limpus

Lois (Tuckshop Convenor)