Dear Parents,

Our school is a hive of activity at the moment with our students busily completing end of unit assessment tasks. I’d like to thank them for their enthusiasm and commitment to all assessment tasks. The students are busily preparing for our Science Fair Day next Friday and I must say their creations look absolutely amazing. Keep up the great work!! Please remember to have your Pizza Order in by Wednesday 17th August.

**Egg Donation**

I’d like to thank Mr Greg Sandral for his generous donation of 180 eggs for Breakfast Club. We are very appreciative of your support for our school.

**Multipurpose Court**

Thank you to Mr John Bennett (and family) for their time and effort in continuing to prepare our Multipurpose Court to the next stage. Hopefully the completion date will be very soon.

**School Entrance and Appointments**

Please ensure that you use the office entrance in order to speak to school staff prior to 8:30am. If you need to chat to your child’s teacher, could you please make an appointment at a mutually suitable time? We understand sometimes this can be difficult with last minute things arising but if at all possible it would be most appreciated.

**Big Boar Competition**

We would like to thank everyone who helped with the Big Boar competition. Around $3500 was raised and we had the most wonderful day with lots of hard work but the ‘fun factor’ was certainly present!

**Free Dress Day**

Please remember to bring a donation for our hampers for the Afternoon Tea. The students can wear free dress tomorrow and each class member needs to bring the following items.

- Preps- Pantry items
- Years 1/2 – Party items and nibbles
- Years 3/4 - Laundry and kitchen
- Years 5/6- Bottled items

**Kinchant Outdoor Education Centre – OPEN DAY**

The above centre is celebrating 25 with an Open Day on Saturday 20th August. The fun begins at 10am. There will be jumping castles, market stalls, petting zoo and an auction etc. The auction starts at 1.30pm. Items include Dragon & Sailing boats, office furniture and electrical items. For a more detailed list, please contact the centre. Morning Tea, BBQ Lunch, and Coffee will be sold on the day. For more details phone Kinchant on 49541426. Children have been given a colouring competition sheet and students do not have to be present to win. Please have all colouring sheets back to school by Monday morning at the latest.

**Opti-Minds**

I’d like to thank Mrs Strang, Mrs Germanotta and Mrs Richards and our students for their dedication towards Opti-Minds. Many hours of preparation have taken place and we can really see the progress. We wish them every success when they perform on Sunday 28th August.

**Chess Teams**

Congratulations to our Chess Teams who will attend a day of tournaments at Mackay Christian College on Monday 15th August. Our senior team is Hudson G, Noah D, Ethan H and Alex. The reserve for this team is Nathan P. The junior team consists of Maggie B, Lance A, Mitchell Mac and Noah Williams.

Kind regards,

Mrs Tonimaree Brown
Daffodil Day

Friday 26th August is Daffodil Day. Everyone is invited to “Dress Yellow”. A gold coin donation is to be placed in the money box supplied in your classroom and you’ll receive a yellow sticker to wear. There will be merchandise available on the day to purchase. A receipt book will also be available if anyone wishes to make a donation.

Thank you for supporting Daffodil Day. – Amanda Tomerini

Lost Property

Can parents please check the lost property box outside the staff room door as there are quite a few items unnamed? Please name your children’s clothing as this helps them being returned to their owner.

P & C Notice

Battery Drive

As many of you are aware, Chelona P & C conduct a battery drive which is available all year round. Any old batteries may be placed in the pods next to the JJ Richards bin in the car park. Please ask family, friends or even work mates if they have any old batteries which can be placed into the pods. The funds from the batteries go towards purchasing equipment for the students.

Afternoon Tea

Please keep donations and pantry items coming in as the Afternoon Tea is drawing closer. We would like to thank the families that have donated. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

The P & C this year have decided that we will be only conducting 3 major fundraising activities (Nebo Rodeo, Big Boar and the Afternoon Tea). The committee has not asked for a lot of help from the families so far this year in the way of donations. At the moment we require your help as a member of the School Community, with the donating of items to go into our grocery hamper and alcoholic and non-alcoholic wheelbarrow. As the response to our request has been minimal, we have decided to conduct free dress days (four in total), one each week until the Afternoon Tea. We are asking for the donation of any item from the category that your child’s class has been allocated. It does not have to be much, but a little from everyone will help to make the Afternoon Tea a great success. Every week the P & C will send a note home allocating different categories to each class. Please see the dates below and this week’s categories.

- Friday 12th August
- Thursday 18th August
- Wednesday 24th August
- Friday 2nd September

Prep – Pantry Items

Year 1 / 2 – Party Items and Nibbles

Year 3 / 4 – Laundry and Kitchen Items

Year 5 / 6 – Bottled Items

Meeting

There will be a P & C Meeting held on Monday 15 August at 7.00pm in the library. The agenda for the meeting will be regarding the purchase of a catering trailer. If you are interested in this, please come along and have your say.
AMART Allsports

We have secured $150.00 in credit from the Amart Allsports Loyalty Program for the first quarter of the year. The money will be spent on sporting goods for the students.

So please buy your sporting goods from them if possible to help secure funding to improve our facilities.

Join the Amart Loyalty Program when you or your family members purchase items from AMART ALLSPORTS and select our school. The school receives 5% kick back for all purchases which select our school. Please help to support the school!

Student Banking

Please give your Bendigo Student banking satchels to the P & C Box located inside the door of Miss Priv’s room in the morning of the BANKING DAY.

If your child does not have a Bendigo Account please fill out and return the attached form to your child’s teacher, making sure the all documentation is attached (e.g. Birth certificate of child, parents ID). If the student wishes to bank on that day, please place name and money in an envelope to be collected with the forms.

Banking Dates

August 17, 31

September 8

Uniforms

TIMES FOR PURCHASING OF UNIFORMS is 8.15am-8.45am on a Monday morning. Other times, please phone Roxanne on 49595310 or Kristy Bennett on 49595996 or Lizzy Burrows on 49595691 to arrange an appointment. Money is required at time of purchase. EFTPOS now available.

OLD DESIGN SCHOOL SHIRTS are now discounted down to $15 per shirt and the new school shirts are now $32.00 each. The P&C plan to phase the new uniform in over 5 years.

We have received some imperfect stock from our original supplier of our new-look school uniforms. As well as having the green, they do not have sufficient length of opening to fit over all children’s heads. These are available for purchase at $15, but is highly recommended each shirt be tried on as they won’t suit all students. All sizes are available.

The original uniform is no longer available. Odd-sized remaining shirts were donated as aid to Fiji through Lions.

SCHOOL BAGS are available for purchase at the cost of $40.00.

LIBRARY BAGS $10

HATS are available for purchase at the cost of $28.00.

TUCKSHOP

GLUTEN FREE NUGGETS NOW AVAILABLE FROM TUCKSHOP AT 50C PER NUGGET. Please see Michelle if you can help out with the tuckshop.

SARINA TOUCH FOOTBALL JNR SIGN ON-Ages 7-11 (Mixed)

This Monday afternoon 15th August at 4pm being held at the Sarina Junior Rugby League Grounds, Phillip St, Sarina. For more details contact Paul Marsh on 49504225.