Dear Parents

It has been great over the past couple of weeks to discuss issues with parents. I have had a number of one-on-one chats about a variety of niggles. These discussions don’t often solve ‘world issues’, but it does help parents to understand school and helps school understand home. Parents offering insights into their child help the school and I appreciate parents who ring to find out the ‘school version’. I often joke that all children (and teenagers) should be in the Secret Service, because of their skill with hiding or distorting information!

Rule of the Week

Be Respectful – Raise your hand to speak

We have altered one of our rules. ‘Walk on paths around buildings’ has been changed to ‘Walk in and around buildings’. The change has come about as children run on small patches of grass around buildings where there are often other children moving quickly and we would like to avoid collisions.

School Performance Tours

School Performance Tours are bringing their ‘The Right Balance Show’ to our school on Monday October 27.

There is NO cost to the students. The students will be walking, supervised, across the road to the community hall.

Permission letters were sent home earlier this week. Please return this permission to the school office.

Year 6/7 News

We are currently putting together a disc for our Year 6 and 7 students of their years at Coominya State School. We have a number of photos, but if you have any relevant photos from 2007 whilst your child has been attending Coominya and would like to share them with us, could you please bring them to the school office for us to scan or if possible on a USB stick. We would also need you to tell us the year and at which event the photo was taken.

If you DO NOT want your child included in the photographs/movie clips, please advise the office as soon as possible.

Open Afternoon

We are inviting all present and future parents and students to our Open Afternoon on Wednesday October 29 from 3.15pm to 4.30pm.

You will have the opportunity to

• Visit your child’s classroom and see their current work and discuss the curriculum with the teachers
• Meet the P&C Executive and put your suggestions forward for the school’s future
• View the school uniform
• Collect enrolment packs
• Under 8’s can show you our Perceptual Motor Program (PMP)
• Visit our Outside School Hours Care facility.

Come along, enjoy a cuppa and meet the staff.

Primary School Weather Watch

We have been invited to participate in the above program. This means we are on the lookout for some confident students to read the weather (over the phone) to be played on River 94.9 in the week commencing October 27.

We are conducting auditions to select 5 readers. Interested students should contact the school office.

SchoolzOut

Come and celebrate the end of primary school at SchoolzOut. A jam-packed week including the Team It Up Tuesday Tournament, Graduation Dinner, Dance Party and a trip to MovieWorld. Amongst the fun, be challenged to think about God and life as you move into high school. This camp is open to all Grade 6 and 7 children who finish primary school this year.

Details include:

Price: $275
Where: Bornhoffen (3510 Murwillumbah Rd, Natural Bridge)
Grades: 6 & 7 (co-ed)
Directors: Greg Pierce, Erica Strong & Nelson Hsieh
Email: schoolzout@supacamps.org.au
Enquiries: Admin – Cherith: 0421 489 518
General – Greg: 0412 282 217

Any questions please don’t hesitate to ask me.

Regards

Chaplain David
Our last P&C meeting was held last Tuesday October 21. We are currently planning the Valedictory Dinner and our part in the Presentation Evening, both being held at the end of term. Our executive and some members will also be attending the Open Afternoon being held next Wednesday. We hope to meet new and current families that attend or will be attending our great school. This is such a good opportunity to explore our school and how it caters to the educational needs of our children. Please come and have a chat to us, ask questions or you may be interested in joining our P&C.

Our meetings are a valuable way to continue to stay informed with what is coming up and is being planned for our school. The last meeting was a great opportunity to discuss and understand the Uniform Policy and the Behaviour Program.

The next meeting will be held on Monday November 17 at 3.15pm. Please come along to help share ideas or just stay in touch with what is happening within the school.

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NAIDOC
NAIDOC celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
Do you live in Somerset and want to be part of creating NAIDOC 2015? Your support and help is needed, to find out more come along on Thursday 30 October from 5.30pm Lowood Hub, 24 Railway St Lowood.
If you can’t make it on the night but still want to help out, please contact the Lowood Hub on 5426 3432

BLUE TEAPOT NEWS
We have lots of specials available.
Milk-2 litres $2, 3 litres $3
Fresh bread and Bakery items
Feel free to come and check them out!

SELF-CARE WORKSHOP-FERNVALE OR LOWOOD
Facilitated by Rick Jensen from Magic Solutions, this workshop will include a range of ways a person and the community can Self-Care, for example: Looking after your own health and wellbeing. What is self-care and why it is important? How to better manage stress and stressful situations.
Date: Saturday, 1 November 2014
Time: 9.00am -12noon (morning tea included)
Venue: Fernvale Futures Centre, Fernvale
1483 Brisbane Valley Highway, Fernvale
Date: Wednesday, 5 November 2014
Time: 9.00am -12noon (morning tea included)
Venue: Lowood CWA Hall, Main Street Lowood
RSVP: Sandi at Aftercare
Ph: 1800 747 463 or
Email sandi.barry@aftercare.com.au

KYLIE’S CREATIONS
Somerset & Lockyer - Beauty Services
New home based business in Coominya.
Gel Nail Enhancements $20
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Contact David Smit, your local Saver Plus Worker:
(07) 3115 6202 or 0417436183 or
david.smit@thesmithfamily.com.au

ANGELS OF SOMERSET
- Family Fun Day
- Fernvale State School
- October 25
- 8am to 3pm
Come and experience the great work that ‘The Angels of Somerset’ are doing for the Somerset Region.
If you have a stall and would like to be a part of this monumental event please contact 0490045370 during business hours.