BE SAFE – BE RESPONSIBLE – BE RESPECTFUL – BE COMMITTED TO LEARNING

**Dates to Remember**

15.03.2016  P & C AGM (5.30pm)
24.03.2016  End of Term

**Principal's News**

**School Expectations**
Each week on parade and in numerous interactions with staff and students, I refer to our four “B’s” – of being committed to learning; being respectful; being responsible; and, being safe. This week our focus has been on being safe at school, and aligned to this has been a whole-of-school staff Workplace Health and Safety (WH&S) meeting on Monday afternoon. Discussions were held and as a result we have reviewed some school practices. Early next term a Lockdown will be held to practice what staff and students would need to do in the event of volatile situation. We have also held a Grounds Inspection on Tuesday and Anita (and Tim) will be undertaking some additional tasks for the forthcoming school holidays eg painting trip hazards with visible paint. As a school we consider staff, student and visitor safety and well-being of utmost priority.

**Parent Teacher Interviews**
We would like to actively invite parents to attend parent/teacher interviews for term 1 on Monday 21 March 2016. Forms will go home later this week with available 10 minute timeslots and we would ask that your choices get returned to the school early next week so that Judy Cox can co-ordinate the sessions to run smoothly. Interviews will be held in the library afterschool and tea/coffee and biscuits will be available for parents who are meeting with multiple teachers. Please note: Mr Jack Mathewson will be accessing Marriage Leave for week 9 and so parents will need to make individual arrangement with him either before or after the period of his leave.

**Prep Swimming**
Just a reminder to parents that the Prep students will not be swimming again this term. We started a little later this term and I am sure that the 5 weeks have been beneficial for all students learning water skills and safety.

**P&C AGM Meeting**
Next Tuesday 15 March 2016 the AGM for our P&C will be held. It is really important to maintain our active P&C, as they have a very important role to play in our school operations. One of our agenda items will be the election of our new executive as well as the endorsement of our Constitution. The meeting will commence at 5.30pm which it is hoped with enable a good parent body to attend.

**School Priorities for 2016**
To ensure all members of our school community are aware of “what” and “how” we are seeking to improve school operations and student outcomes, I will try to share what our efforts have been directed to. We are extending professional development to all staff and I am pleased to advise that we have upskilled everyone in First Aid as well as many teaching staff have been attending weekend Professional Development in THRASS and Explicit Instruction. (Can I encourage parents to ask student what WALT, WILT and TIB stand for in learning).

**TASTE 2016**
Emerald Agricultural College has sent an invitation to interested students (and parents) for them to attend their TASTE (The Agricultural Skills and Technology Experience) program. There are three dates available:
3-7 July 2016
24-28 September
20-25 November 2016 (School leavers TASTE)
The program is targeted at students who love working with plants, animals, machinery, and environment and may be looking for a career in the rural sector. Sponsorship may also be available through a Rotary Club financial support.
Enrolment packs are available at the school office for interested students.

Have a great week!
Regards
Julie

**Wallumbilla State School Improvement Priorities:**
Strong Curriculum and Pedagogy
Coaching and Feedback
Literacy and Numeracy

**P & C Tuckshop**

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Students of the Week: Mac West, Carter Brown, Hayden York, Brooke Maher.

Other Awards: Cooper Matthews, Rahni Swan, Jake Williams, William Emery, Zoe Partridge, Clancy Swan.

Bronze Spellers: Jake Williams, Hayden York.

THRASS Parent Workshop

I would like to welcome any parents who would like to attend a short parent workshop on ‘What is THRASS?’. You may have heard your children coming home with such words as ‘graphs’ and ‘phonemes’ or your child may be coming home and telling you they live in the ‘B’ box if their name is Bobbie. THRASS is used across all curriculum areas and in all year levels as a great teaching tool to support students with the development of their Handwriting, Reading and Spelling skills.

I understand that many parents work or can find it challenging to find a babysitter, so depending on the numbers and level of interest; I can offer two separate sessions; one during school time and one after.

The first session will be on Wednesday the 16th of March at 2pm-3pm in the Library. If you would like to come along and find out more about THRASS or have any questions about the session, please call the office before Monday the 14th of March.

Also, let me know if you would prefer to attend an after school session.

Geanine Richardson
(HOD-Curriculum)

HPE News

Thank you to all parents and students who participated in the first Rugby League and Netball training for the season. We had a great turn out and we look forward to another fantastic season. We are still in the process of registering our rugby league players.

Opening day is this weekend. Please refer to the procedures letter that was sent home last week. Please also ensure students are dressed in their best school uniform with a hat. If students are not dressed appropriately they may miss out on participating in the march past. Please be at the carpark between Arthur and Wyndham Street (Behind Landmark) by 8:00am. For Rugby League, students will be provided with their playing jerseys to march in.

Training is on again this Thursday please be there by 3:15pm so we can begin on time.

Game times after the march past are as follows:

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Under 12 R&D Netball trials – Tuesday week 9, 4-5.30pm

Tomorrow is your last chance to nominate for these trials. Information about the trials was included in previous netball updates. See Mrs York if you would like to nominate.

Jack Mathewson
HPE Teacher

Classroom Music Open Day

We are looking forward to you attending our Classroom Music Presentations on Tuesday, 22nd March. The times have changed a little to allow time for smooth transitions between class groups. Some of these sessions may run a little longer than twenty minutes.

We will be presenting some of the repertoire and concepts we have been learning about in Classroom Music this term. Morning tea will also be during first break for any parents who wish to attend before or after the presentations…please bring a plate.

Year3/4:  9.10-9.30am  Year 1/2:  9.50-10.10am
Morning Tea for Parents from all Grades: 11.00-11.20am
Year 5/6:  12.20-12.40pm  Prep :  2.20-2.45pm

Annie McArthur
Classroom Music Teacher
**News from the Prep Room!!**

During the next few weeks we will be focusing on **Turn-taking, Co-operation and Sharing** while we work. One of Wallumbilla school’s 4 B’s is to be respectful. Therefore we are focusing on being respectful toward our classmates by taking turns and sharing, and toward our teachers by co-operating. There will be incentives and rewards for students who willingly take turns and co-operate, and those who show kindness to others by sharing.

Gwenda Rohrlach
Prep Teacher

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**Swimming Club**

This Friday is our last club night for points.

- 3.15pm – starts, dives and turns for all swimmers
- 4.15pm – races start

Presentation night will be the following Friday.

- 3.15-4.15pm

Free swim and afternoon tea (club will provide food)

- 4.30pm Presentations

The committee would like to extend our thanks for the generous support of our trophies from Petra and Mick Johnson of Dulacca Transport and Hooked on Bamboo.

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**Community News**

**Pickanjinnie Bus**

A meeting will be held at the School on Thursday 17 March commencing at 2.45pm. Please contact Stuart Maunder on 0428 234 328 for further info.

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**Bendemere Pony Club News**

The Annual General Meeting will be held on **Sunday 13th March** at the Yuleba Pony Club Grounds, at 8am. All positions will be vacated.

This meeting will be followed by a General Meeting and then a Rally.

For more information please contact Rachel on 4623 5494 (a/h).

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**Wallumbilla Show Society**

The Wallumbilla Show Committee are offering to tender the Canteen at this year’s show which is being held on Friday 29th and Saturday the 30th of April 2016 and would like to provide you with the opportunity to tender for this service.

In recent years, organisations have provided all necessities to run the canteen and then provide the Show with a percentage of the profit as a lump sum payment after the Show.

The committee are open to a variety of options and would be interested in obtaining a tender from your organisation.

The Committee are restricting the amount of itinerant Food sellers to 4 at this year’s Show to ensure the Canteen is well supported. The Canteen must operate from 7.00am to 9.00pm on Saturday 30.04.16 from the Tom Hughes Memorial building and provide a variety of hot and cold food for breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and dinner, along with tea, coffee, soft drinks and water. The Show will require morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea to be provided for the Judges and Stewards, who are working on the day, which will be ticketed at the committee’s expense.

If you are interested in submitting a Tender for this year’s canteen please submit it in writing to the committee via mail or email: wallumbillashow@gmail.com prior to our next meeting being held on the 16.03.2016.

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**Wallumbilla Craft Day**

at the CWA Hall, 10 College Street, Wallumbilla

commencing at 9.00 am

Shared morning tea at 10.30 – 11.00am - BYO lunch

All beginners and non-beginners most welcomed. There is a children’s area, so mother’s most welcomed.

**Project for 15 March 2016**

Coffee cup cover suitable for either the Office or the Sewing Room

![Coffee cup cover](image)

**Ideal beginner’s project!**

You will need to bring:

- 2 contrasting fat quarters - 50cm x 50cm (this will enable you to make 2)
- 1 plain colour fat quarter (to make 2) or 8cm x 115cm of plain material (to make 1)

Button, matching thread and a sewing machine.

We will supply the hair band and interfacing.

For further information contact Eileen on 4623 4271
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**Monthly**
- Yuleba Memorial Hall Assoc. Meeting (1st Sunday of month) | Yuleba Memorial Hall 9:00am
- QCWA Jackson Meeting (2nd Wednesday of month) | Jackson CWA Hall 12:30pm
- QCWA Wallumbilla Meeting (2nd Thursday of month) | Wallumbilla CWA Hall 9:30am
- QCWA Chat Room morning tea & craft (3rd Tuesday of month) | Wallumbilla CWA Hall 9:30am
- Anglicare Shopping Day Bus to Roma (1st Tuesday of month) | Bookings ph. 4620 4000

**Weekly**
- Kids Club (Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays) | Wallumbilla Library from 3:00pm
- Homework Club (Tuesdays) | Yuleba Library from 3:30pm
- Homework Club (Thursdays) | Wallumbilla School Library from 3:00pm
- Blue Light Shed Open (Fridays) | Blue Light Shed, Yuleba 4:00pm - 7:00pm

**Ongoing**
- Submit a listing for your business/group/club/service/event in the My Maranoa App.
- Register for Council’s Subscription Services – receive information via email, SMS or mail.

For more information contact your Local Development Officer on 1300 007 662 or visit www.maranoa.qld.gov.au