Key notes from the recent State Wide Principals Conference

Schools to enhance teaching
By the end of 2013, our school will have developed a pedagogical framework in collaboration with the school community. This framework is designed to ensure our school delivers high quality teaching focused on the achievement of every student.

Parent and community engagement framework launched
Research tells us that students achieve more when schools, parents and the local community work together. To this end our school will be using the newly-launched Parent and Community Engagement Framework to better work with you for the benefit of our children. Please visit the website for more information on the framework.

School Photos
School photos are well underway. We have now taken the whole school photo as well as the class photos. If you are interested in purchasing additional individual or family photos, there is still time. Please visit the office and complete an order form by next Wednesday, 20th March. Please note, photos will only be taken if the order has been paid.

With Thanks
Huge thanks to Mr and Mrs Missingham, our resident photographers. We know it’s hard to have everyone smiling, eyes open, hands down—all at the same time.
The Totally Terrific Twos, Threes and Fours

We’ve had a tip top start to the year. It feels like the Year 2’s have always been in our class, they have settled in so well. We’ve found out that Alisha and Connor love to draw, Toby has an excellent sense of humour, Kita enjoys reading and Ethan is always helpful. They have hopped into fast facts with no worries at all and have been working well with doubles, doubles add one and subtraction.

Our Year 3’s have found heaps of new things to learn so far this year. They have just begun addition with regrouping and are about to learn about regrouping in subtraction too.

The Year 4’s are getting serious with their maths learning about 10000, working on multiplication and getting the hang of division.

The whole class has done some great work with English over the past few weeks. We wrote biographies about family members. Well, well, well, there were certainly a few family secrets exposed there! Guess whose father frightened his own mother when he fell off his bicycle? She thought he had lost his head for a moment, literally!!! Guess whose Mum unknowingly went swimming with crocodiles when she was little?? Don’t worry your secrets are safe with us!!

“Would, should, must, have to, can, will…” Do you know what these words are? They are modal verbs. We will be using them in our persuasive writing over the next few weeks. Hope you can join us at school in the last week when we present some of our persuasive writing to our friends and family.
We have had a reported case of head lice within the school. Can all families please take the time to check their children’s hair and treat if lice or eggs are found. Please remember treatment is to be repeated in seven days. Please note longer hair must be tied back.

**Library Days**

Please remember to bring your library bag if you would like to borrow books.

**Prep—Monday**

**1-3—Tuesday**

**4-7—Wednesday**

A reminder that we have a few bins beside the Sports Shed for any paper to be recycled. The money received from the paper last year paid the entry for all students to attend the break up at Highfields. Please note: only paper can be placed in these bins.

**School Sports Trials**

Inner Downs Primary School Hockey trials, for girls and boys born 2001 or 2002, will be held on Tuesday, 16th April from 3.30pm at Highfields State School. Please see the office for further information and nomination forms. Nominations close on Friday, 22nd March.

Inner Downs Primary School Touch Football trials, for girls and boys born 2001 or 2002, will be held on Tuesday, 23rd April at Highfields State School. Please see the office for further information and nomination forms. Nominations close on Friday, 19th April.

**Easter Fun at Wellcamp State School**

Thursday, 28th March

Starting at 12.30 with a picnic lunch so bring a blanket and food

The Programme is as follows:

12.30 - Picnic Lunch
1.00 - Egg Hunt and Egg & Spoon Race
1.30 - Easter Bonnet Parade
1.45 - Senior Class Egg Experiment
2.15 - Easter Raffle Draw
3.00 - Home

Mrs. S’ Class recent visit to Amaroos has been postponed until Wednesday, 17th April. (first week of next term). All payments and medical forms will be carried over. Please let us know of any changes.

Miss Dowes’s class will have Amaroos representatives visit their classroom on Tuesday, 30th April. Permission forms have been sent home today. There will be a cost of $5.00/student to participate in the program.
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**Help Stop Bullying - Wear Something Orange**

What are your true colours when it comes to bullying? If you care about students who are bullied and want bullying to end, please wear something **ORANGE** this Friday, 15th March. Help send an **ORANGE** message of support to students who have experienced bullying.

Please note—school uniform is still to be worn, but you may choose one orange item to wear.

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**Star Kids**

**Hope McVean** - Excellent Behaviour

**Elihana Ziebell** - Taking time and thinking about sensible sentence writing

**Mitchell Smith** - Working Hard in Class
Easter Raffle & Donations

Raffle books have been sent home. Extra books are available from the office. Due back by the 26th March.

As we usually do, we’re asking for donations for the raffle. Usually we end up with about 75-100 prizes which often means every child has a good chance of winning at least one prize.

If you can, please support this raffle, the kids LOVE it! Raffle will be drawn with the rest of the Schools

AGM Outcomes

The Annual General Meeting on the 4th March resulted in several new faces on our executive committee.

President: Nick Stuart
Vice Presidents: Gerry Amos & Carla Jervis
Returning executives:
Secretary: Rebecca McCosker
Treasurer: Brenda Quade
Also elected were:
Tuckshop & Uniforms: Christal Cooper
Oval mowing & Grounds maintenance: Robert Becker

A message from the new P&C President

· With a new year ahead of us, it brings many new and exciting fundraising events.
· We would love for you to be involved in our fabulous P & C community.
· So if you can spare a little time don’t be shy, all help is appreciated.
· Please give me a call and show your support of our great school

Kind regards
Nick Stuart

Uniforms

School Uniforms
Please contact Cristal Cooper on 0437 928 189 for uniform sales.

Polo shirts (sz 4-10) $18
Polo shirts (sz 12-16) $20
Polo shirt (long sleeve) $22
Polar fleece pullover $27
Spray jacket $28
Tracksuit pants $27
Hat $27

Wellcamp State School P&C

Term 1, Week 7
13th March 2013

Special points of interest:
☺ Weekly fruit & veg payments due THURSDAYS
☺ Boxes of cards available for sale $20 each. On display in the school office.
☺ Friday Ice Blocks $1 ea
☺ Jumpers, jackets & pants are available for purchase before winter.

Fruit & Veg Roster
15th Mar– Laura Saal
22nd March– Nellie Loughlin & Sarah Thompson
Pick up Term 1– Suzanne Ziebell

Mowing Roster
15/3 - 28/3 Ziebell family
29/3 - 11/4 Bogg family
12/4 - 25/4 Cartwright family

Oval Mowing
Becker family

Children are NOT allowed to mow!
Please sign the register on arrival & departure.

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