Toowoomba Show Excursion

We are all very excited for our first excursion of the year. All students from Prep to Year 7 have been invited to attend the Toowoomba Show. Please remember to wear your blue school shirt. Students in Miss Dowe and Mrs Richter’s classes will need to bring their morning tea and lunch in separate bags to be placed in eskies. The older students will need to carry their food and water in their own backpacks. Please remember your hat and sunscreen! Backup Plan: If it rains heavily tomorrow, this trip will be cancelled and it will be a normal school day.

Tennis Talent!

Congratulations to Anastasia who was recently chosen to represent Inner Downs at the Darling Downs trials for tennis. During the Darling Downs trials, Anastasia was able to win her way to compete in the second day. What a great achievement!!

With Thanks

To the Fowler, Quade, Russell, McClymont and Loughlin families for helping out at our working bee. The sand pit is all topped up and the chookpen completed.
As Harry said last week “I can’t believe how quickly this term has gone!” Here we are the second last week of first term and what a term it has been. Our first event of great importance was the addition of our new class members. We are always excited to meet new friends in our room and this term we have had the lucky additions of Blake, Mia, Ted, William, Joseph, Kim and Stan. They have brought with them new stories to listen to and new ideas for us to try.

As usual we have seen our high level of effort kick in as the term has progressed. In fast facts we are looking at multiplying and dividing by 600, 700 and a tricky combination of 2, 5 and 10 in group one. Spelling is improving as the weeks have progressed and in week 6 we had a record 16 people out of 21 get full marks for their weekly spelling test. We are all expecting a total class top marks result by the end of the year.

The budding story writers have had plenty of opportunity to show us their stuff writing a narrative in the first half of this term and look out for our class magazine “The Persuader” coming to a news stand near you next week. Be prepared to be very persuaded on a variety of topics, some of them controversial!!!

Maths is beginning to step up to a higher level with students working on solving problems by adding signs (early algebra), measuring with mm, cm and m, learning simple formula for perimeter and many more exciting maths concepts. Can’t wait to see what the rest of the year brings in Maths.

Geography has been a fun new subject for our school and we have enjoyed learning how to draw and understand simple maps as well as finding out about where places are!! History has been giving us the history of celebrations and commemorations in Australia. Did you know the first Queensland Day was first celebrated in 1859 when Queen Victoria signed the paper that separated us from New South Wales? I wonder if she knew she was giving Australia the best rugby league team too?

The students are working well and we are all looking forward to working even harder next term. We know that we can only improve by continued practice and effort and so far so good. We can’t forget the wonderful addition of our new guinea pig cage too. Designed by the students last year and built with kind donations of materials and labour it is MAGNIFICENT! If you get a chance check out its majestic form.
Congratulations to Ebony, Elihana, Harry, Kaitlyn, Ted, Mia, Sophie, Alanah, Annabelle, Jorja, Caleb, Katrina, Shauna, Ashley, Lauren, Stasia, Hayley, Alex, Maddy, Jeanie, Taylah B, Felicity. Great job!

**Library Days**

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

- Prep (Miss Dowe) - Monday
- 1 (Miss Dowe) - Tuesday
- 3-5 (Mrs Cahill) - Tuesday
- 5 (Mrs S) - Wednesday
- 1-2 (Mrs Richter) - Thursday
- 6-7 (Mrs S) - Thursday

**Reading Wall of Excellence ...... is Back!!!**

Student’s photos will be displayed when they reach 30, 60, 90 and 120 nights in recognition of their efforts. Remember the best way to become a better reader is to read every night!!

**Easter Holiday Clinics**

7th, 8th, 10th & 11th April
14th, 15th & 17th April

Red Ball  8am–9am
Orange & Green Ball  9am–12 pm
Yellow Ball  2pm–5 pm
$10 per day for Red Ball
$30 per day for Orange, Green & Yellow Ball
or $100 if doing 4 days in first week
and $75 if doing 3 days in second week

A great fun way to keep up your skills over the Easter break. Lots of fun drills & competitions to improve your game. Bring a friend with you, book and save your place as spots are going fast!!

All coaching conducted by Dean Stansell
ATPCA Advanced Pro Level 2 Coach
Clinics are conducted at
Gowrie Little Plain Tennis Club
To enrol please phone Dean on 0410031273

**MAIL BOXES IN OFFICE**

Please remember to utilise the two mail boxes set up in the office for school and P&C matters.

No money or forms should be given to any staff member. There are envelopes near the mail boxes for your use.

If you have any concerns, and you are unable to make it to P&C meetings or unable to make a meeting to chat with your teacher or principal, please feel free to send a note with your child to be placed in the mail box.

Thank you.
**Date Claimers**

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| Friday, 4th April   | All Welcome                   | Free Dress Day
|                    |                               | Easter Parade |
|                    |                               | Last day of Term 1 |
| Tuesday, 22nd April | P-7                           | First day of Term 2 |
| Friday, 25th April  | P-7                           | Anzac Day Holiday |

**Buddies - Learning Songs**

- **You should practice every day**
- **Do it before you go out to play**
- **You can do it all the time**
- **You can make it even rhyme**

- **You should learn in the pool**
- **Just because it is so cool**
- **You can learn to read and write**
- **And you can learn to fly a kite**

- **It can make you a very smart kid**
- **It can teach you not to lick a bottle top lid**

"Star Kids"

- **Tyson** - For huge efforts in learning his spelling.
- **Jay** - For always trying his best and achieving great results in all work.
- **Alisha** - For working like a champion at all times!
- **Alex** – For working really hard, especially in Math.

**English is the best so far**

- I always sing it in the car

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