FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 3 – Week 9

Our key priority this year will be an unrelenting focus on improving reading, writing and numeracy in all students through a whole school pedagogical approach which includes explicit instruction. This means that all students will improve in reading, writing and numeracy because we will be focussing on the best possible ways to teach.

What a week 3-7 – Reporter Wallace Noakes
What a week it’s been. This week in maths we’ve been doing fractions, percentages and decimals. In English most people have been finishing off animations for the presentation. Everybody has also been practising their dance. On Friday most of the father’s came for the father’s day fun. We played cricket and shaved the father’s with shaving cream and paddle pop sticks. That was our week.

Staffroom for Schools
How many apples will you give in 2013?
QT Mutual Bank’s "Staffroom for Improvement" is back again this year giving our school the chance to win a $20,000 staffroom makeover or in our case a new outdoor kitchen/eating area, overlooking the oval, for us all to enjoy.

The competition kicks off today Wednesday August 28 and we are trying to encourage as many staff, parents and friends as possible to vote for our school in the hope of taking out the top honours in 2013. While the ultimate prize of a $20,000 staffroom makeover will undoubtedly be appreciated by our school staff, there is also a chance for individual voters to win one of five $1,000 QTMB bank accounts.

To be crowned the 2013 winners we will need as much support as possible so make sure you register for this year’s competition and read the terms and conditions at www.staffroomforimprovement.com.au. The most important one I read was DO NOT register more than one email address or we would be disqualified.

Parent and community engagement
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. A group of parents have volunteered to help form this framework for our school. We are meeting at 3.15 on Wednesday September 18 in the library. Please feel free to join us.

Father’s Day
Thanks to all the dad’s and grandads that joined us last Friday. It was nice to see you all so clean shaven and fun to watch you play the games we had lined up for you including breaking in the newly discovered cricket pitch!
Milman T-Ball match
As advised yesterday, Milman is unable to join us this Friday. However, we have decided to go ahead and enjoy a mini carnival of our own. The 3-7 teams will play each other and then the P-2 teams. Then we would love to see a game of adults vs kids so please come along and enjoy the time with us. Tuckshop is still available.

T-Ball Carnival
The inaugural T-Ball carnival will be held at Clarke Creek on September 19 with a start time of 9.00am. If you are unable to arrange for you children to get to Clarke Creek, contact the office as soon as possible so as we can make arrangements.

Regards

Meg Saunderson

2013 September
Thursday 5 – Marlborough Creek Excursion
Monday 9 – Friday 13 Brisbane Camp
Thursday 12 – Heritage Village Excursion – P-2
Tuesday 17 - Science Final Rockhampton – 6/7’s attending
Thursday 19 - T-Ball Competition – Clarke Creek
Friday 20 – Last day of Term 3

SPECIAL AUTHOR EVENT FOR MARLBOROUGH
ALL WELCOME
Royce Bond
Local author Royce Bond is set to inspire young writers in the region with a series of free workshops to be held during the September/October School holidays. Royce was a local to the area of Ogmore and particularly wanted to visit the region, so come along and support his visit.

WHEN: TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
TIME: 10am – 12pm
WHERE: Marlborough State School
WHAT: Author talk and free workshop
Morning Tea provided.

Royce is a retired primary school teacher with twenty–two years of experience. He has been widely published in the education market, science field. Since his retirement, he has changed his writing to young adult fantasy novels.

His fantasy novel The Chronicles of the Knights of Katesch – book one - The Princess and The Pirate will be published in April 2013.

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What’s Happening…….

**Pub Raffles**

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Thank-you to all helpers who have volunteered their time to help out with the pub raffles.

**Calling for volunteers for Term 4 Pub Raffles!!**

Please fill out the attached form and return it to school by Friday 13th September.

**Pub Raffles:** Don’t forget to get your tickets in the meat trays at the Pub. Gotta be in it to win it!! Pub Raffles is our most consistent fundraisers for P&C, and drawn each Friday night. Volunteers, we appreciate your help, but please be aware the Pub has the raffle as a favour to our school community. If you are unable to meet your rostered date please change with someone or let Sharyn or myself know so we can arrange someone to fill in.

**Phone Directory:** The phone directory is on sale and available from school, and Post Office @ $10 each. Please let friends and family know so we can get it out into our community.

**Attachment:** Please find attached a form for Term 4 Pub Raffle roster. If you are able to help, fill in the form and return it to school by Friday 13th September.

**Meeting Agenda:**

- WH&S (work place health and safety)
- Profits

Sue Gray
Secretary

*From little things big things grow….*

**Next Meeting**

Wed. 23rd October 2013
Marlborough State School
3:10pm

Please come and share your thoughts and ideas at our next meeting….