Achieving and Improving

Key Priorities
Our key priority this year are an unrelenting focus on improving reading, writing and numeracy in all students through a whole school approach which includes explicit instruction. We also have an unrelenting focus on attendance.

Greater Rockhampton district representative
Well done to Henry Gray who received two firsts at the recent Greater Rockhampton district carnival in Farnborough last Wednesday. He will now go on to Emerald as the 11 year old boy representative for 800m and high jump.

Student Council – Tayla Chapman
Don’t forget tomorrow is student councils character day come dressed as book, movie, TV show or cartoon character. Gold coin entry.

Classroom news

Science – Mr Holmes
The physics lesson last week for the P-2 group focused on the twisting forces. The students experienced how twisting with a soccer ball gave more force to throwing from the goal keeper position and sideline. Experiencing the amount of force required to move shot-puts of varying mass was a focus of the year 3-4 group. Their predictions were accurate and they demonstrated labelling of diagrams to represent their experiment. Back in the classroom the students were introduced to video blogging their experiences using movie maker software and a webcam in their laptop computers. This new way of reporting was a challenge for most of the group and it is hoped that they will get better with more practice. Swimming flippers were only one type of footwear used by the 5-7 group in an experiment to see how it affected the speed required to move 100 metres in a sprint. They recorded their results in their science journals and they will be asked to video blog their thoughts in future experiments.

3-7 Home reading
This week our percentage is 90% which is getting closer to what we should have each week. Thank you to those parents who help encourage reading by signing the homework folder each night.

Student of the Week Awards
Awards this week went to:
Logan Beak for Being Responsible and showing leadership and maturity during class time.
Shelby Chapman for Being Respectful member of class and allowing other students to learn.

Bookwork Awards
Awards this week went to:
Hugh Truelson and Charli White for neat and consistent work in their English book.
ART EXHIBITION/WINE TASTING: Excitement is building for this event taking place at Marlborough Hall this Friday evening ... 15th August commencing at 5pm. I'm sure all parents are eagerly awaiting the reveal of their children's artwork. A wine rep will also be in attendance offering samples, with wine available for sale. A bar will be operating and we ask if families attending could please bring along a tray of finger food to share.

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SCHOOL WEBSITE: If you haven’t already done so, be sure to check out and bookmark our school's fabulous internet presence. With photos of school activities, listings of news items and upcoming events, the website is a wonderful information resource as well as a great reflection of our school.

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MEETING MINUTES: will be pinned on the noticeboard in the school stairwell for anybody wishing to catch up on what was discussed at a previous meeting.

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PUB RAFFLES: Don’t miss out on your chance to take home one of four meat trays, a six-pack or bottle of wine every Friday night of term at the local Hotel. Many thanks to the families who volunteer to sell tickets and Bob & Annie at the Hotel for their continued support. Please take note of the roster and if you are unable to make your date, feel free to swap or contact Matthew to make alternative arrangements (Ph. 0439 356 222).

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