TERM 1 WEEK 6

FROM THE PRINCIPALS
The last few weeks have been busy ones for both Rebekkah and Annette with training. Just this week gone Rebekkah was at the State Principal’s conference where the states direction in Education for the next twelve months was unveiled and Principals had a chance to build networks and discuss concerns they find relevant in this era of education. The week prior to this both Rebekkah and Annette spent a day in Mackay studying up on a new school data resource to help track student progress more closely through testing and school reports.

STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME
A couple of weeks ago we sent out the individual student payment information as part of the resource Scheme. We understand that this is a voluntary contribution and parents can choose to be part of this process or purchase the items provided individually. The cost is $40 per year. This payment option is in line with what other schools offer. Costs are also kept to a minimum to ensure accessibility by all. This payment is due by March 27th.

JAKE GARRETT FOUNDATION DAY LAST FRIDAY
Last Friday our school celebrated the Jake Garrett foundation day in style. As part of the Gold coin donation we incorporated a best dressed section to encourage families and students to get behind this worthy cause. Our overall best dressed student was very hard to judge as over 23 students came dressed in more than just Blue clothes. The winner was Mitchell Condon in Year 1/2. Photo below. The school raised in excess of $110 and this money will be donated to the foundation.
We also as a school received a wonderful letter from Jake Garrett’s mother:

To the principal, teachers, parents and students
It has been our pleasure to be a part of this amazing day of support for our grieving families. Today we honour the children we have lost and we stand beside their families with love and support. In particular we honour Johnno & Ray. It is unfortunate that the Staib family is not alone since the founding of the Jake Garrett Foundation we have supported 70 families who have also been subjected to the worst loss imaginable. I myself lost my son Jake after an accident on our property, I found through this experience that firstly funerals are an expense that families just don’t consider and that it is so hard to get practical advice from a parent who has been through the same loss as you. We strive to help all our families where ever we can. I thankyou so much for being a part of this day and for helping us to spread the awareness that is needed for the foundation to continue to help other families found in the same devastating situation. I hope we can continue this partnership through the years ahead.
Helen Garrett
Jakes Mum
Founding Director
Jake Garrett Foundation

CURRICULUM
This week’s focus is on how to support your child’s spelling, punctuation and vocabulary development in writing at home. This resource offers you some simple strategies you may find helpful when going over homework, or having your children write at home.

Have a great week!
Regards, Rebekkah & Annette

UPCOMING EVENTS

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INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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<td>Ryder Kelly</td>
<td>For always being a caring and compassionate student.</td>
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<td>Kalib Ryan</td>
<td>For his top effort in Art.</td>
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<td>Hunter Downie</td>
<td>A wonderful science poster on mixtures.</td>
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<td>Gene Samuelsen</td>
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<td>Kailey Kennedy</td>
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<td>Ashlenn Fleming, Clay Sandilands, Bella Hussey and Kyisha Tregea.</td>
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P&C NEWS cont.

DONATIONS PLEASE
The P&C are in need of eskies for fundraising events eg Mega Market BBQ’s and the annual dance at the end of the year.
So if you have an esky sitting there gathering dust or maybe yours just isn’t big enough to fit that big Spanish Mackerel you are chasing, the P&C could certainly put it to good use.

TUCKSHOP
Parents please note: Tuckshop is changing the money policy.
If the change from your child/ren’s tuckshop is greater than $5, a credit will be added to your child/ren’s name rather than attached to the tuckshop bag.
Ideally the correct monies owing is preferable.

UNIFORM SHOP
Open Monday and Wednesday 8:00am – 9:00am

UNIFORM PRICES
Jumpers $20.00 (Sz 6-16)
Shirts - $25.00
Skorts - $14.00 (Sz 4-8)
Hats - $15.00
Homework folder - $12.00
Heavy duty chair bag - $11.00
Pencil case - $6.00

BUFFSTARS COFFEE
A mobile coffee café will be at school from 7:45am every Monday morning. Find us in the grass field behind Mrs William’s classroom.

TAI CHI
Held in the school library every Friday morning from 9am-10am. $5 for the session.

FOR SALE
2003 Honda XR80. Runs well, great kids bike in good condition. $1200ono
Ph 0420 909 068 or see Denyelle in the office.

PLAYGROUP
Expressions of interest.
Plans are underway to recommence PLAYGROUP for Seaforth and surrounding districts. At this stage we are canvassing approximate numbers of children/families’ who would attend Playgroup.
Day, time, cost etc will be finalised once interest levels are determined.
Please contact Kym Neven to register your interest by Sunday, 15th March, 2015 on 0457 817 767, 4966 4123 or email k.neven@bigpond.com