Tuesday, 1st September 2015

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Principal Appointed
Last week a permanent Principal was appointed for Monkland to begin after the September holidays. His name is Mr Craig Barrett and he is transferring from Granville State School in Maryborough. The students and staff got to meet Mr Barrett last Thursday and he is very much looking forward to becoming part of the Monkland family next term.

Celebrating Great things @ Monkland S.S.
Book Week: A huge thankyou to Jodie Wilson for all of her efforts around the organisation of book week and also to all the students and staff who came dressed as their favourite book characters on Thursday.

Choir: Last week our fantastic choir led by Ms Sandy Mohlyuk, came second place at Choral Fest, congratulation to all participants for their hard work and beautiful voices.

Attendance: Last Thursday was our best day of attendance so far! The students were so excited to see 100% attendance beside 4 classes; Prep, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4. I am looking forward to celebrating more attendance success before the term is out.

Absenteeism in general:
Thank you to all families who are contacting the school to explain their child’s absence, the increase in families taking the time to do this is greatly appreciated.

Getting to school on time

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Daily instruction is delivered at 9:00am in each classroom and then students move off into their spelling groups. Missing the introduction to a day can greatly affect a child’s ability to settle into routine and preparedness to be a learner.

Yours truly,

Mrs Deanne Biddle
Acting Principal
Monkland State School

1st September, 2015

SCHOOL NEWS:

Please note the newsletter is published fortnightly. If you miss a newsletter or want to refer to a back copy, Monkland State School newsletters are available on our website: www.monklandss.eq.edu.au

SCHOOL WEEKLY ROUTINE:

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DENTAL VAN

The school Dental Van is currently at Monkland. For any enquiries contact the school dental service on 0412 365164. Please remember that the Dental Van is only here for a limited time and will be leaving Monkland shortly.

ATTENTION YEAR 6 PARENTS

Gympie State High School
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INFORMATION SESSION
6pm - 7pm Wednesday 9th September 2015
Attend the Information session at our Junior Secondary Building

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YEAR 6 INFORMATION AFTERNOON

Thursday 17th September 4 – 5pm
I Block (J Block tour at end of session)

AWARDS ON PARADE:

Awards on Parade Friday, 21st August: Ella, Ursula, Phillip, Shakane and Taj

Gotcha Awards and Raffle Winner Monday, 24th August: Gabby, Tiah and Rex

Awards on Parade Friday, 28th August: Dusty, Bella, Jack, Tamara, Gemma and Jorey

Gotcha Awards Monday, 31st September: Ray and Tyler

Congratulations award recipients - keep up the good work!
ADOPT-A-COP
Monkland State School welcomes our new Adopt-A-Cop, Constable Jeremy. One of the many benefits of the Adopt-A-Cop program is the enhanced safety and wellbeing of children through education. We look forward to visits from Constable Jeremy in the future.

LIBRARY NEWS:
Scholastic Book Club: Book Club orders have been returned to the school and handed out to students. That was the last Book Club for this term. Look out for Scholastic Book Fair in week two of next term starting on Tuesday the 13th of October.

Book Week: I was very impressed with the level of student participation in last Thursday’s Book Week celebrations.

The majority of students and staff came dressed as their favourite book character. Well done to all who made the effort to dress up and show their love of books and reading. The costumes looked great and all students have made a lovely lantern to mark the occasion. The costume prize winners were: P/1 – Tamara and Bella; Year 1/2 – Dusty and Alissa; Year 3/4/5 – Gemma and Brylee; Year 5/6 – Sarah and Keanu.

Library Borrowing: Thank you to all the wonderful, responsible borrowers who make the effort to return their library books. We are starting to get to the pointy end of the term again and the number of students with overdue books is beginning to creep up. I would like all books returned by the end of next week so they can all be shelved before the holidays.

STUDENTS WITH OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS:
Prep/1: Ruby A., Tiah, Alanna, Cain, Kody
Year 1/2: Baylee, Shaelyn, Ellise, Tyler, Charli, Jack, Maddison, Levi
Year 3/4/5: Shakane, Izak, Lachlan, Taj
Year 5/6: Keanu, Daniel, Elina, Breeanna, Yarran

P & C NEWS:

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT
Well it’s all about thankyou’s this week! The Duck Pond Dash event was a bit wet, but we still made a little profit and got the Monkland State School name out into the community. Big thanks to Sarah’s dad Don for taking all the gear and cooking the BBQ, Allana’s dad Josh for helping set up and doing the gas run, Levi’s mum Jacqui for some delicious home bake and running the stall, Bella’s mum Mrs Robertson and Karen Gresham for running the stall and wrap up, Charlie’s mum and dad Natasha and Alfred for donating eggs, flour and pumpkin for home bake, which Dann’s mum Cheryl our fearless and dedicated tuckshop lady made into 50 delicious pumpkin scones!

The Muster also went well with a big thanks to Rae, Allan, Paul, Cindy, Todd, Bec and Greg who put in the hours to run the coffee shop. There was positive feedback and looks like we will do it all again next year and continue on with Monkland’s long standing presence at the Gympie Music Muster.

Next thing is the FATHERS DAY STALL. This Thursday 3rd September first break 11 – 11.30 in the Chill out room and Friday 4th before school 8.30 -8.50 in the Chill out room. Nothing over $5. Bec Lindemann

P & C MEETING
Being involved with the P & C is a great way to contribute to your child’s educational environment. Monkland State School has a very active and supportive P & C. Why not come along to a meeting – it is a great way to meet other families and be involved with your child’s school. The next P & C meeting will be held on Monday, 14th September at 3.30pm in the library. All are welcome. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF MEETING DAY. Minutes from the meeting held on the 13th July are enclosed in today’s newsletter.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

TERM DATES 2015/16
The information listed below is current and sourced from the Education Queensland website. For more information on school holidays and Pupil Free Days go to

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P&C FATHERS DAY STALL

Chill Out Room
- Thursday 3rd First Break
- Friday 4th Before School
Nothing over $5!!

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