**Wednesday 9th November**

We have Super Students at Monkland! At the end of a term of work it is a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge and reward their success. This term our Monkland Super Students will have the chance to celebrate their success on Friday 9th December. This Super Student Celebratory Day will involve two activities:

- **Activity 1 - Crazy Sport (Celebration of Learning)**
- **Activity 2 - Bolt Bolt Super-kids Program $5 (Super Students)**

The level of eligibility for engagement in the day will be determined by student behaviour across the term as follows:

- Students who have maintained 100% Super Student (Highest Expectations) status across the term will be acknowledged in a special parade on the morning and have the opportunity to participate in both reward activities.
- Students who have maintained consistent (>80% weeks) super student status will have the opportunity to participate in both reward activities.
- Students who have had some success in maintaining positive behaviours will have the opportunity to participate in one reward activity to celebrate the term of learning.

The decision to provide a criterion based reward program was discussed and supported at the P&C with ongoing refinement and review to occur in line with school planning processes. There is a small cost as this is not a curriculum related expense. Further details for the reward program and your child’s eligibility will follow closer to the day.

Ben Ryan - Principal

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**WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS**

**Week 4**

**Week 5**

**MONKLAND SNAPSHOT**

- **Number of students:** 81
- **Average Attendance:**
  - Term 1 — 92.7%
  - Term 2 — 90.4%
  - Term 3 — 88%
- **Week 1, Term 4 — 90%**

**MONKLAND DIARY**

- **3-6 Swimming (Tuesdays)**
  - Starting: 25 OCTOBER (6 wks)
- **Playgroup with Shirl**
  - Wednesdays 9-11am
- **Pre-Prep Open Day**
  - Wednesday 16th NOVEMBER
- **Bake Day**
  - Wednesday 16th NOVEMBER
- **MSS Swimming Carnival**
  - Wednesday 7th DECEMBER
- **Year 6 Graduation Dinner**
  - Wednesday 30th NOVEMBER
- **Presentation Night**

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**KEEP WATCHING!!**

- Safe - Respectful - Responsible - Learners

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BE SAFE

SWIMMING REMINDER
Swimming continues for the 3-4 and 5-6 classes on Tuesday the 25th October. Students will depart the school during big lunch and return before 3pm. Students will need a fitted lycra swim shirt, swimmers and a towel. The cost for this activity is $3 per week, payable on the day to the office.

LIBRARY NEWS
Scholastic Book Club: Issue 8 of Scholastic Book Club went home with each student today. Orders must be returned to the office no later than 9am on the due date stamped on the front of each brochure (Wednesday, 17th November). Payment can be made by cash, cheque (made payable to Scholastic Australia) or online credit card payment at www.scholastic.com.au. The order will be placed on the due date and are usually returned to the school the following week. These books are usually very reasonably priced (some items are only $1 or $2) and orders go towards free books for our library. This is the last Book Club for this year.

Monkland Loves Lego Literature!: An exciting addition to the library is our Lego reading section. We have a large range of wonderful Lego books thanks to families supporting Scholastic Book Fair and Book Club. Lego literature is very engaging, particularly for reluctant readers. As Lego books have a lot of different classifications they are usually located in different sections of the library, which can make them a bit hard to find. For easier access all the Lego books in the library have been relocated to one easy to find section. This will make finding that Ninjago or Lego Star Wars book much easier and increase borrowing and reading!

Some of our wonderful Library Lego Literature!

BE RESPONSIBLE

Library Borrowing: Thank you to all the wonderful, responsible borrowers who make the effort to return their library books each week. Please help your child to remember to return their books. Library borrowing is a great opportunity to teach children respect and responsibility. Library books can be returned to the library or the office Monday to Friday. Week 8 will be the last opportunity to borrow from the school library with all library books due back in week 9 in preparation for the end of year.

Students With Overdue Books:
Prep/1—Mackenzie Yr 1/2—Ruby, Archer, Tegan, Ray, Memphis, Thomas
Year 3/4—Jyrah, Taj, Ursula, Maddison-Lee
Year 5/6—Jarrod

If you have any issues or questions regarding your child’s library borrowing, please feel free to see me before school in the library Monday to Thursday. Happy Reading! Library Mrs Wilson

JUNIOR SECONDARY ENROLMENTS (YEAR 7)
Enrolments for both Gympie State High School and James Nash State High are being finalised. Parents of Year 7 students in 2017 are strongly advised to secure their enrolment and participate in the interviews to ensure their son / daughter’s place in 2017. Only students enrolled are eligible to attend the open days scheduled this term. For further information please contact the respective office.

PRE-PREP TRANSITIONS
We have a great bunch of kids and parents coming along on our Pre-Prep Transition Days. Today we had the opportunity to provide a free Healthy Lunchbox Seminar with Jacque Kaye Dieticians while the kids engaged with Mrs Taylor in a Prep lesson. This was a different offering to help make the transition a smooth one for everyone.

ENROL NOW FOR PREP 2017
Enrolments are now being accepted for Monkland Prep Program in 2017. Look out for our advertisement in the paper and for further information please contact the school at your convenience. Prep offers a great start to a formal schooling program with all the best elements of instruction, play and social based programming. 2017 will be a golden year for Monkland and we invite you to be part of the success!
BE RESPECTFUL

CLASSROOM NEWS

PREP/1
Prep/1 have wrapped their Science unit on movement. They have been doing lots of hands-on movement activities with Mr Green. Dr Seuss has taught us about Fox in Socks, Cat in the Hat and the Wocket in my Pocket and we are very good at rhyming. Over the next couple of weeks our books will start to come home as they fill up or we finish with them.

YEAR 1/2
Year One/Two have continued to explore poetry and have had a lot of creative fun writing their own very funky version of Pamela Allen’s award winning poem Doodledum Dancing. See the insert in today’s newsletter.

YEAR 3/4
Year 3/4 are continuing their unit on Poetry and are getting ready to present the humorous poems that they have written.

YEAR 5/6
The students are building up a great picture of what an author considers or adopts when developing a personal style. This will form the basis of our panel discussion in the following weeks. In science experiments with yeast are helping us to understand relationships and conditions organisms need for growth. We enjoyed making bread – and eating it too!

YEAR 6 GRADUATION
The graduating seniors have elected to have their Graduation Dinner at Gunabul Homestead on Wednesday 30th November. Further information will follow as the special occasion draws closer. The seniors will be holding a Bake Day on Wednesday 16th at First and Second break. All monies raised will go towards the Graduation Dinner to reduce costs and make it extra special. To support the Year 6s, and to enjoy some freshly baked goodies, bring a gold coin or two on Wednesday 16th November.

PLAYGROUP
Playgroup with Shirl is on every Wednesday from 9am to 11am. The Playgroup breakup party will be held on Wednesday the 30th November

BE A LEARNER

KEEP COOL AT SCHOOL
With the temperatures climbing this week, could parents please help their children to remember to bring their hats and a water bottle.

GOLD MINING MUSEUM EXCURSION
As part of local history units, the whole school visited the Gold Mining Museum across the road.

It was a very interesting excursion and the students enjoyed learning about Gympie’s history.

P & C NEWS

GENERAL MEETING
The next general P & C meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 15th November at 3.15pm in the library. All welcome. Come along and help make our school community a real success.