MONKLAND STATE SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

Tuesday, 16th September 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

End of Term
Hard to believe that the end of term has come and before you
know it we will be discussing Christmas celebrations. I would like to
acknowledge the hard work of our teachers who have continued to
maintain high standards of teaching and learning within the
classroom and school. The unconditional support of the teacher
aides must also be recognised for their support of teaching staff
and helping assist in the well-oiled machine known as Monkland. I
would like to wish all families a happy and safe vacation and look
forward to seeing you all on Tuesday October 7.

130th Celebration
Tomorrow we will be conducting a small parade to commemorate
130 years of education at Monkland State School. As a community
we have endured many ups and downs that has made this school a
Gympie icon. From rich history we path an even richer future as we
continue to endeavour an inspiring learning environment for
students and families to come. We welcome all families both past
and present to attend the morning beginning at 10:00 am with
class and self guided museum tours.

School Watch
Monkland State School rely heavily on the community for school
safety. Please contact school watch on 13 17 88 and report any
suspect behaviour.

Uniform Policy
A reminder to families that Monkland State School does have a
uniform policy enacted by the P&C. We are seeing an increasing
number of students wearing the incorrect jumper, jackets and
shorts. If by any chance you child cannot be in full school uniform
please inform the school. We have a large number of lost property
and second hand jumpers that students can access.

Attendance
Can I remind families that if at any stage your child/ren cannot
make to school to contact the school office on 07 5489 8888 to
explain their absence. Likewise for early departures and late
arrivals; please access the office to sign in or out your child.

Yours truly,

Mr Ashley Lawless
Principal
16th September, 2014

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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SPOOKY DISCO

The next disco will be held this Thursday the 18th September from 6.30 to 8pm (Sharp) in the Art room. The theme is “Spooky Disco” (as chosen by the Year 6s) so students can come dressed up in a scary costume if they wish. DJ J-Dub will be spinning the tunes and there will be lots of fun and games.

BREAKING DISCO NEWS:

THERE WILL BE A SAUSAGE SIZZLE BEFORE THE DISCO FROM 6PM $1 FOR SAUSAGE ON BREAD!!!

WATCH OUT WASTE!!

Next term Monkland is getting serious about reducing our landfill! To save costs in council rubbish collection fees (an estimated $1600) and to do our part towards saving the environment, we will be trialling only having a worm farm food scrap bin available at lunch time. This means that whatever packaging your child brings in their lunch box- glad wrap, chip packets, poppa boxes etc. will be going back home to you. We continue to encourage all Monkland students to be “nude foodies” and bring reusable containers whenever possible! Please see the insert in today’s newsletter or myself if you would like more information. © Megan Robertson.

130th CELEBRATIONS

Monkland State School celebrates 130 years of golden education this month. On Wednesday the 17th of September we will host an open school session for past and present families of Monkland. Activities start at 10am with classroom visits and memorabilia displays, mural unveiling and the morning will end with a morning tea and BBQ.

AWARDS ON PARADE:

Class Awards Monday 8th September: Back – Amy and Jesse (Zone Sports), Kyle. Front – Sarah, Teagan, Alahni, Ray and Evie

Gotcha Awards Monday, 8th September: Teagan, Bella and Emmalee

Gotcha Awards Monday, 15th September: Storm and Tegan

Congratulations award recipients - keep up the good work!
LIBRARY NEWS:
Book Fair: Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the library next term. It will run before and after school from Tuesday to Friday in week two. Other times can be arranged with me if discreet shopping is required. There will be full EFTPOS facilities and a commission of all funds raised will be paid in books to the school for children to borrow and enjoy. Hope to see you there!
Borrowing: All books must be returned to the library by now as borrowing has now finished for this term.
Overdue Books: The following students have overdue books at time of printing newsletter:
Prep/1: Charlie, Shaelyn, Pippi, Alex, Tyler, Dusty, Emmalee, Jack Diamond, Jayah
Yr 2/3/4: William, Tayleah, Gemma, Gabriella
Yr 4/5: Brayden, Billy, Keanu, Charlotte, Caleb, Lattrel, Shakeelle, Breeanna,
Yr 6/7: David, Harry, Jesse, Rhianna, Joshua
Please help your child to remember to return their books this week. Library books can be returned to the library or the office Monday to Friday. Happy Reading!
Mrs J. Wilson - Library Teacher Aide

PRE-PREP PROGRAM STARTING NEXT TERM:

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE SPEED LIMIT ON SCHOOL GROUNDS IS ONLY 10 KMS/HR.

TERM DATES 2014/15
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 http://education.qld.gov.au/public_media/calendar/holidays.html

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P & C NEWS:

P & C MEETING
The next P & C meeting will be held on Tuesday, 14th October at 3:30pm (back to the usual time) in the library. All are welcome. Minutes of the meeting held on 9th September are enclosed in today’s newsletter.

P & C SECRETARY POSITION VACANT
The position of Secretary of the P & C has become vacant. We wish to thank Michelle for taking on the role up until now, but due to work commitments cannot continue in the role. Full training and support is provided. Please contact the office if you are interested.

TUCKSHOP NEWS
As we presently have no Tuckshop Convenor, there is no Tuck Shop until further notice.

TUCKSHOP CONVENOR POSITION VACANT
Volunteer Position - 1 day per week (Convenor’s choice)
$40/month Fuel Allowance. If you are interested please submit a letter of interest to the office.

GOLD RUSH
The P & C are looking at putting in a Monkland State School float for this year’s Gold Rush Street Parade on the 18th October (week 2 of term 4). More information will be made available next term.

MUSTER THANK YOU
Thank you to Ray Gresham, Matthew Fea and Craig Buchan for your hard work and time in the setting up and packing up of the Muster

HOME BAKERS – Thank you for your time and efforts with the Muster home baking. Your containers can be collected from the office.

SUNSHINE MITRE 10 - Thank you to Sunshine Mitre 10 for raffle donations which helped our P & C raise a lot of money for our school. Please support the businesses that support us.