Tuesday, 3rd June 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Way Out in Winton
Wow!! What an adventure! If you haven’t already done so can I suggest you place Outback Queensland on the bucket list of places to visit. Longreach, Winton and Mitchell were all highlights as students experience life in the outback while visiting places such as the Waltzing Matilda Centre, Stockman’s Hall of Fame, Age of Dinosaurs Museum, QANTAS founders Museum to just to name a few. More information will be presented to the school community in the coming weeks.

A big thank you to Paul Holmberg, Karen Gresham and Brett Ross for their support and supervision. Also to the team at Kangaroo Bus lines Jan, Trent, Paul and Dan pictured below.

Can I also thank Megan Robertson for her role as acting Principal in my absence.

Monkland camp Selfie

Athletics Carnival
Monkland State School’s athletics carnival is scheduled for Friday the 20th of June. This will be an all day event including students across all year levels. In the past these have proven to be a wonderful day for the family.

Small Schools Athletics Carnival
Once again Monkland students will be competing against other schools within our small school region in Athletics. Students from this carnival will be selected to represent the small schools at Gympie Zone athletics. This year’s carnival will be hosted by Gunalda State School on Tuesday the 24th of June.

Reports
Report cards will go home on the final day of term 2.

Yours truly,

Mr Ashley Lawless
Principal
3rd June, 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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MOVIE FUNDRAISER
Thank you to those who supported the recent Movie Night fundraiser. We raised $320 which went towards the costs of the Year 6/7 camp. Huge thanks to those who helped out on the night and to Gympie Cinemas for their support.

GYMPIE CINEMAS
Please support the businesses who support Monkland SS.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
School class photos will be taken on Wednesday the 18th June. Students are expected to be in full school uniform on that day. Individual student envelopes were sent home yesterday. Family envelopes are available from the office if required.

YEAR 6/7 CAMP REPORT
The Year 6/7s have returned from their epic journey to Winton. From all reports they had an amazing experience which they all thoroughly enjoyed. Please see the insert in today’s newsletter for photos from their trip.

MONKLAND MEMORIES
As you already know, Monkland State School celebrates 130 years of golden education in 2014. Each fortnight, an insert in the newsletter will be dedicated to help commemorate this special occasion with photos and articles. All ex-students and staff are welcome to contribute with photos and/or stories.

LOST PROPERTY
With these cool mornings and warm days, jumpers and long pants are being left at school. Please remember to name your child’s clothing so it does not end up in the lost property box.

AWARDS ON PARADE:

Class Awards Friday, 23rd May: Back – Zeke, Elina, David and Kirra. Front – Mr Lawless, Bella, Ellsie and Leon.

Class Awards Friday, 30th May: Back row – Billy, Ben, Sarah and Holly. Front – Baylee, Kasey, Dusty and Maddy.

Gotcha Prizes Monday, 2nd June: Kobi and Lattrel

Congratulations award recipients - keep up the good work!
SCHOOL DISCO

The next school disco will be held on Thursday the 12th June from 6.30 to 8.00pm sharp. The theme is “Crazy Hair” so students can get their fright wigs on and let their hair down. Music will be provided by special guest DJ “J-Dub” and there will be lots of fun and games. Please remember that our discos are for Monkland students only and all students attending must be signed in and out by an appropriate guardian. Entry cost is $3 and there will be food and drink available to purchase.

LIBRARY NEWS:

Issue 4 of Scholastic Book Club will go home with each student today. Orders must be returned to the office no later than 9am on the due date stamped on the back of each brochure (Tuesday, 10th June). 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 term. ALL ORDERS FROM THE LUCKY, STAR, ARROW AND EXTRA BROCHURES THIS ISSUE WILL GO IN THE DRAW TO WIN AN AWESOME MINECRAFT PACK VALUED AT OVER $300 PLUS A BOX OF BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL!!!!!

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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MONKLAND INTERHOUSE SPORTS DAY

Who will win – Scottish (Red) or Eastern (Blue)?
Find out this Friday the 20th of June.
It’s bigger than State of Origin!!

P & C NEWS:

The next P & C meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10th June at 3.30pm in the library. All are welcome.

SHOW HELPERS

A big THANK YOU goes to the wonderful volunteers who helped out at the Gympie Show this year. They are: Karen Gresham, Nicola Pea, Cindy Buchan, Shane Browne, Naomi Coffison, Jodie Wilson, Tracey DuToit, Marg Ross, Ray Gresham, Kathryn Chamberlain, Neale Chamberlain, Tom Chamberlain, Megan Robertson, Vanessa Cousins, James Tulle, Penny Carr, Mark Gresham, Nikki Lee Roebuck, Bec Lindemann, Linda Collins, Donna Archie, Rochelle Blundell, Sam Gallaher, Cheryl Grubner and Lisa Lingard.

Thank You!

The Monkland P & C is also particularly grateful to those volunteers who do not have children at Monkland but helped out because our number of school volunteers was low. Please keep in mind that a lot of these families who volunteer for everything are moving on to High School next year. Think about ways you can help if you want fundraising to continue for your child’s school to make things such as camps and excursions more affordable.

UNIFORM SHOP

Please note that the uniform shop day has changed from Tuesdays to Thursdays from 8.30 to 9.15am. For enquiries or to arrange a special time see the office or phone Bec Lindemann on 0403 139 643.