Wednesday 30th November

Many hands make our great little school work. I’d like to simply say thank you on behalf of our students to everyone who has shaped the learning days of our students. Arriving with a packed lunch and clean uniform, putting band-aids on grazed knees, providing instruction on reading, writing and arithmetic and everything in between – school wouldn’t happen without all the helping hands. Thank you for your help in 2016! Be safe, be well and I’ll see you in 2017.

Ben.
Ben Ryan - Principal

WELCOME T-BONE!
LOST PROPERTY
A range of lost property has been collected at school. This includes watches, jewellery, toys and uniforms (many, many jumpers!). If your child has lost something please visit the office or browse the lost property on display. Any left-over items will be disposed of as part of our end-of-year clean.

PLAYGROUP
Playgroup with Shirl will be back in 2017 every Wednesday from 9am to 11am.

LIBRARY NEWS
Library Borrowing: Thank you to all the wonderful, responsible borrowers who have returned their library books. All books are now considered overdue and need to be returned to the library for shelving over the holidays ready for the new school year.

Students With Overdue Books:
Prep/1—No overdues—Well done Prep/1!
Yr 1/2—Archer, Ray, Taj, Leon, Charli
Year 3/4—Evie, Jyrha, Ursula, Maddison-Lee, Jaydon
Year 5/6—Jarrod, Joshua

Please keep in mind for next year that if your child has overdue library books they are depriving other children from the chance to borrow and read that book. If students have repeated overdue books, they will be limited to classroom borrowing only.

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.

Be sure to check out the wonderful activities and amazing books at the Gympie Library over the summer holidays.

Happy Reading! Library Mrs Wilson

Presentation Night
Tuesday, 6th December
School Parade Area

5.00pm - P & C BBQ
Awards commence 6.00pm sharp

Please remember: All students must be in school uniform (Maroon shirt/black shorts or Gold shirt/maroon shorts)

Hope to see you there!

SWIMMING LESSONS
Swimming lessons have now concluded for this year.
The swimming carnival will be held on Wednesday the 7th December at the Kandanga Pool. Permission notes are included in today’s newsletter.

DRAMA MONKEYS TALENT SHOW
The Drama Monkeys Talent Show will be on Thursday the 8th December at 9.30am in the multi-purpose room. All welcome.

2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR
For your convenience there is a Education Qld 2017 school calendar in today’s newsletter.

ENROL NOW FOR PREP 2017
Enrolments are still being accepted for Monkland Prep Program in 2017. For further information please contact the school at your convenience.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT, BUT NOT A SUGAR HIGH
Whilst we applaud the generous nature of those kids who have begun writing Christmas cards and giving candy canes and chocolates as part of the festive season, we will be asking for them to go into their bag to be eaten at home. We ask that you support us in this decision—thank you.

SMITH FAMILY CHRISTMAS APPEAL
Thank you to those wonderful families who have supported the Smith Family Christmas toy appeal. The deadline for donations is the 30th November and collection boxes are located in the classrooms. All donations go to needy families this Christmas. Much appreciated. Chappy Di

MONKLAND SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2016
Scottish vs Eastern Who Will Win??
Wednesday, 7th December from 9.00am
Kandanga Swimming Pool

Bus money ($3) and entry fee ($2)
Families welcome to attend
ASSROOM NEWS

REP/1
I like to thank everyone for their best wishes and know will cherish the memories of teaching your children this year. I will miss being part of the Monkland family and proud forward to running into you all around town. The children got to meet Mrs. Jensen last Friday and she is most excited to continue working on our gardens and the great things we have started this year. I hope all the children can attend awards nights next week as we have a fabulous song and performance we have been practising for you. Please pay your $5 for our Break up party asap please :) Thank you. Mrs. Taylor

EAR 1/2
Ear One/Two have completed their unit on poetry and have published some very unique poems with some beautiful illustrations to go with them. See the insert in today’s newsletter.

EAR 3/4
Ear 3/4 have been hard at work writing some original works of poetry. See the insert in today’s newsletter for some of their published work. You will agree we have some very promising poets in our class!

EAR 5/6
Our class worked on Roald Dahl’s narrative genius and the relationships between living organisms and their environment draws to a close. The students will be presenting their dioramas, which have been a labour of love, and will participate in a panel discussion. We have time to realise in English that a lot of language choices o into creating the books we love. Our Year 6 students ad the opportunity to be part of orientation days for their respective High Schools on Monday. All feedback suggests that the experience was very positive and many friendships were created. Our graduation dinner will be held for the Year 6s tonight.

& C NEWS
Hello from the P&C,
I hope you are all just the right amount of busy leading up to the holidays and trust you are squeezing in time to all those raffle tickets! I am definitely keen to win any of those prizes. Principle Ryan is already on the path to getting the aircon installed and the more money we raise the cooler our school will get. The robots have arrived from our last fundraiser and we are organising the extra equipment needed to get started. Thanks for helping make things happen at Monkland. You all make a difference. Please remember free dress day this Friday to bring your class raffle donation.
We will be doing a BBQ again at awards night Tues 6th. Burgers $5, Sausage Sizzle $2 and drinks $2.
Free sausage sizzle and punch at the Swimming carnival Wed 7th for the students and $5 burgers for parents, and carers. Always a good day at the Kandanga pool with a good turn out by you all.
Then the last party is the disco Thursday night 8th for some Glitz and Glam! Pizza subs $2.50 from 5.30pm then disco 6 – 7.30pm. Popcorn and punch for 50c inside.
Thank you, Bec

RAFFLE
The Monkland SS “Cool Our School” Xmas Raffle is now on! Raffle tickets went home with last week’s newsletter.
The closing date is Monday the 5th December and there is a prize for the student who sells the most tickets. The raffle will be drawn at awards presentation night on Tuesday the 6th December. All money raised goes towards getting air-conditioning for our classrooms so please support if you can.

TUCKSHOP NEWS
A reminder that delicious cheese and bacon sausage rolls have been added to the Tuck Shop menu for $3 each. Congratulations to Charlie Brown for being our first student to use the new Tuckshop “Pay As You Go” card system. This system will also be in place next year.

FREE DRESS DAY
There will be a Free Dress Day on Friday the 2nd December. Cost is an item for the raffle hampers. All classes are asked to bring specific food items to avoid doubling up too much. Details went home in last week’s newsletter.

Glitz and Glam Disco

GLITZ AND GLAM DISCO!!
The P & C will be having a disco for Monkland School students on Thursday the 8th December. Food will be available for sale from 5.30pm. The disco starts at 6pm and ends at 7:30pm sharp. The theme is “Glitz and Glam” which was chosen by the Year 6 students for their last Monkland disco.
To All Monkland Families:

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS!!

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See you in 2017!

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