4th March, 2014

SCHOOL NEWS:

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SCHOOL WEEKLY ROUTINE:

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GYMPIE TIMES IPAD COMPETITION

WIN a set of 10 iPads for your School!

START COLLECTING NOW!!

GET ALL YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS INVOLVED.

PLEASE BRING IN ALL TOKENS OR GYMPIE TIMES NEWSPAPERS TO THE OFFICE. THE MORE TOKENS WE HAVE, THE BETTER OUR CHANCE OF WINNING!!

YEAR 6/7 CAMP FUNDRAISERS

ICY CUPS

Icy Cups will be on sale for 50 cents each at second break on Friday the 7th March.

CUPCAKE & PIE DRIVE

Order Forms for the Cupcake/Pie Drive to help raise money for the Year 6/7 Camp went home last week. Orders are due back in this Thursday the 6th March. They are cupcakes from Heaven Leigh Cupcakes and are totally cute and delicious to boot! Extra forms are available from the office if needed.

INTERSCHOOL HOCKEY COMPETITION

Well done to the students who represented Monkland in the Interschool Hockey competition over the last three Fridays. Mrs Jodie Wilson is very proud of the level of participation and effort that our students displayed against some tough competitors. Thanks to all parents for helping their children participate. Please be aware that the competition has ended a week earlier than first anticipated and is now finished.

PINK STUMPS DAY

Monkland State School’s Pink Stumps Day which was held last Friday was a huge success. Everyone had a great time (despite the heat!) and over $325 was raised for the McGrath Foundation which is a massive effort for a small school. See the insert in today’s newsletter for photos.

AWARDS ON PARADE:


Awards on Parade – Friday, 28th February: Yarran, Ray, Emily and Brylee

Gotcha Prizes Monday, 24th February: Emily, Jeremy, Baylee.
Monkland State School will host a farewell morning tea for Deslea Knox on Friday the 14th March at 10.30am. Any parents who wish to come along and thank Deslea for her many years of dedication to Monkland are welcome.

Happy Reading! Mrs J. Wilson - Library Teacher

TERM DATES 2013/14
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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PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE SPEED LIMIT ON SCHOOL GROUNDS IS ONLY 10 KMS/HR.

SPEEDING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS ENDANGERS THE LIVES OF CHILDREN

P & C NEWS:

P & C MEETING
The minutes held from the meeting held on the 11th of February are enclosed in this newsletter. The next P & C meeting and Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11th March at 3.30pm in the library. All are welcome. All P & C positions will be declared open. Training and support is provided for anyone taking on an executive role.

ATTENTION YEAR 6/7 PARENTS!!
Fundraising has already started for the Year 6/7 camp. Please support this in any way you can and if you have any fundraising ideas – please let us know!

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
Uniform Shop is currently open Tuesdays before school. A massive thank you and welcome to Bec Lindemann who is taking over the Uniform Shop Co-ordinator role. Please note the uniform shop will be closed on the 11th March but open as usual all other Tuesdays.

TUCKSHOP NEWS
Burger Day: Last Tuesday’s Burger Day was a huge success. The next Burger Day will be on Tuesday the 25th March. More order forms will go out with the next newsletter. For catering purposes, please return your orders on the day prior to Burger Day.

Pizza Day: There will be a special Pizza Day once a term. The first Pizza Day of the year will be on Tuesday the 18th March. It will be the same setup as Burger Day (pre-order, served at second break etc). Order forms are enclosed in today’s newsletter and must be in by Friday the 14th of March.

LIBRARY NEWS:

Issue 2 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, 11th February). 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. Keep an eye out for Book Fair next term.

MONKLAND MEMORIES

Did you know that 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.

We have also been visiting our nursery rhymes and creating some really cool characters such as our Humpty Dumpty wall. Shirl Toffoli – Playgroup Co-ordinator

PLAYGROUP NEWS

Playgroup has been very busy getting to know our new families who joined us this term as well as re-connecting with our returning families. Watching the children interact with each other and developing their social skills has been a lot of fun. One of the favourite things to do in Playgroup is Musical Chairs which is aimed at promoting their listening skills. Each child chooses a different chair to sit on each round and there is always a lot of fun, dancing and laughing together.

Gotcha Prizes Monday, 3rd March: Tyshelle (Class Award from 28.2.14), Jayah, Holly, Zahlia and Jesse.

Deslea Champness and the class of Year 5/6 would like to say a big thank you to all our supporters. The Year 5/6 class are very grateful for all the support provided for anyone taking on an executive role.

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