Dear Parents, Students & Staff

Well done to all the courageous and well-spoken Year 6 students who stood in front of their school mates to run for a sport leader position. While all students who entered the race were champions in the way they presented themselves and the speeches they gave, not everyone could be a winner. A special congratulations to those students elected as Captains and Vice Captains. I’m sure they will all do a fabulous job at sporting events over the year.

There was a good turn-up at our Annual General P&C Meeting last week. Thank you to the outgoing committee who have done a wonderful job over the past year and achieved a great deal. Welcome to those who have taken up positions for the next 12 months; we look forward to another great year. Work has already begun on our major fundraising event for 2015 – the Farnborough Fair. If you can help or simply would like to find out more, please come along to this Friday morning to the Fair meeting.

While we understand that it is difficult to park around the school in the afternoon, please note that the bus turnaround area at the front of the school is for buses only and is marked as such. There have been police patrols and parents pulled over for stopping, no matter how quickly, in this area. We are hoping that the new drop, stop, go and roadworks on Hinz Avenue, which will make pick up time safer and easier, begin soon but until then your patience is appreciated.

Carol Butler-Mader   Principal
Student of the Week Awards - Week 7

**Prep Yellow**
- Ayla D  for always listening to the teacher
- Cory B  for trying hard in class

**Prep Purple**
- Anjolee R  for fantastic writing
- Oliver S  for clever reading Magic Words and letters and sounds.

**Year 1 Yellow**
- Jess  for showing enthusiasm towards home reading
- Mariska  for showing an enthusiastic attitude towards learning

**Year 2**
- Lara.M  for great effort in her cross country training
- Mia.W  for great effort in her cross country training
- Kye.B  for hard work on his lunch box design.

**Year 3 / 4**
- Laynee O  for coming up with great ideas to make the school a safer place.
- Jayden G  for completing clever work in maths.

**Year 5/6**
- Ella B  for working hard in the classroom and producing great results.
- Zac H  for having a positive attitude to his learning and always a smiling face.
- Jake T  for enthusiasm in his learning and input to the class.
- Ainsley M  for always striving to produce quality work.

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HOUSE CAPTAIN ELECTIONS - Congratulations to the many contenders from Year 6 who presented their captains speech to their house peers last Friday afternoon. Each position was strongly contested which is a pleasing start to the year. The elected students were as follows:

REDBACKS
Captains – Indiana J & Campbell M
Vice Captains – Amy K, Kalani L & Toby W

BLUEBOTTLES
Captains – Darcie E & Tom O
Vice Captains – Sara S & Jake T

GREENCROCS
Captains – Trinity L & Finn H
Vice Captains – Amelia S & Jordan Mc

The presentation of Sport Leadership badges will be on Thursday March 27th commencing at 2.30pm (normal parade time). This year our guests will be a group of past FSS students who are now in their final year of secondary education and have been elected as Captains of their respective school house teams.

CROSS COUNTRY
FRIDAY MARCH 27th ALL WELCOME for a bit of fun and exercise! Push your little one in the pram and earn bonus points for your child’s house team, dust off the old sandshoes and give them a workout or if you are broken down like me – be a walker and talker!!! GET INVOLVED GET ACTIVE (for a day)! Any queries please come and have a chat. Training this week – Thursday 1st break and Friday before school (8.00am to 8.30am). Sponsorship forms due AFTER the EASTER BREAK.

CAMP NOTES
All of the Year 5 students are preparing themselves for their camp to North Keppel Island, whilst the Year 6 staff are just waiting on confirmation from students as to who is attending their Outdoor Ed camp. Please ensure paperwork is returned ASAP so that we can organise the next part of the camp (based on numbers attending).

SPORT TRIALS
Over the next few weeks there will be a number of Rocky District sport trials. Please check the date claimer calendar and also the sport noticeboard for further info. Good luck and give it your best shot!

Have a healthy active week.

GARDEN GOSSIP

WORKING BEE - this SATURDAY 6.00am—10.00am (or part thereof) ALL WELCOME

Thank you goes to the Gardener family and Kathy King who were able to help out last weekend.

Please remember if you are unable to come along to the Saturday morning Working Bee, you are most welcome to contribute to the garden whenever it suits your own family timetable. The garden gnomes and scarecrow remains would love to share some time with you!

Thanks…. Margie
CRAZY HAT DAY

Wednesday the 1st of April is CRAZY HAT DAY! Decorate your hat with googly eyes, pipe cleaners, an Easter theme or maybe your favourite footy team colours—you name it, just make it crazy! To be involved, please bring along a gold coin donation.

We are raising money for Capricorn Coast Chaplaincy and our school’s funds will go towards supporting our school chaplain—Chappy Karenne.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION—CURRICULUM

Have you wondered about the source of your child’s curriculum?

Next Wednesday, I will hold two parent information sessions to share how teachers develop their year level curriculum.

Parents will explore the Australian Curriculum and Queensland documents that guide our planning.

These half hour sessions will be held at 2:30pm and 3:30pm in the library. Look forward to seeing you there.

Lorraine Nielsen - HEAD OF CURRICULUM

FINANCE

With the Year 4, 5 and 6 school camps fast approaching, parents are reminded that they may make pre-payments towards their child’s camp fees at any time. If you’d like any more information on this, please see either Danya or Kellie in the office.

We now have EFTPOS facilities and accept both debit and credit card payments.
The Annual General Meeting for the FSS P & C Association was held last week, with the outgoing committee thanked and the incoming committee welcomed. If you were unable to attend the meeting and would like to join the P & C, please fill in an application form which can be obtained from the office. Membership is valid for one year only, so even if you were a member last year, you have to renew for 2015.

It is timely to note that all parents are welcome to join the P & C. You may choose to be an active member and attend our monthly meetings (about 8 in total for the year), or you may prefer to be kept informed through receiving the minutes of our meetings by email. One of the main roles of the P & C is to work with the Principal and school community in a productive partnership, providing closer cooperation between parents, staff and students. Your skills, ideas and input may be of value to such a group. We are not just about fund-raising! Please consider joining.

Your elected Office Bearers for 2015 are:

President – Kathy King  
Vice President – Anita Rossiter  
Secretary – Susan Sheppard  
Treasurers – Jackie Dwyer & Kate Baldwin  
Publicity Officer – Amanda McLardy  
Uniform Coordinator – Jordin Wiltshire  
Book Club Coordinator – Linda Orgill  
Fair & Fundraising Coordinator – Michelle McCann

The Cross Country Carnival is on Friday 27th March. The P&C will run a Sausage Sizzle again from the Hall Canteen. Parents & spectators are able to purchase tea/coffee & home-baked goodies during the morning starting from 9am. Around 11am, at the conclusion of the events, students are able to purchase food also. Prices are: sausage sizzle $2, water $2, tea/coffee $2, baked goods $1.

If you would like to volunteer to help in the canteen on the day and/or to donate some baked goods, please contact Suz (0422 662 324) or Alicia (0416 793 912). Any help is greatly appreciated.

The Easter Hamper Raffle will be drawn at 2:30pm before presentations on the day of Cross Country. This raffle raises funds for the school sponsor child, Soukea Varn, from Cambodia. We ask families to bring in a non-perishable food item (preferably Australian-made) and leave it in the basket in the office. By Cross Country day, there should be a huge basket full of wonderful goodies to win!

Tickets will be on sale next week, before and after school outside the uniform shop and also in the office. $2 each or 3 tickets for $5.

The Uniform Shop hours are Monday 2.30 — 3.30 and Wednesday 8.00 — 9.00. Many thanks to Johanna & Jordin, who have put in countless hours already this year to offer such a wonderful service to our school. Size 6 and 8 shirts are now available.

The Tuckshop Convenor is a paid position of employment by the P & C. Due to various factors including the refurbishment of the tuck shop and a need to revise the paid working hours for the financial viability of this service, the position is now re-advertised in this week’s newsletter with changed hours and conditions. All members of the FSS community who meet the criteria are encouraged to apply, this position does not need to be filled by a parent.

Planning for the 2015 Farnborough Fair is well underway with the next meeting to be held at 9am on Friday 20th March in the staff room. Everyone is welcome. For new families, the Fair is a huge event in the Cap Coast calendar. Thanks must go to all the past organisers of this event, who have built it up to make it a huge local community experience and also a great fundraiser for FSS. Each class organises a stall, and there are other stalls present by tradition, for example The Curry House, The Cent Sale and The Plant Stall. Parents are asked to give 30 minutes of their time to their class stall, and 30 minutes of their time to one of the ‘extra’ stalls. We understand that due to family circumstances this might be impossible on the day, however, there is much help required in the lead-up…this might suit you better.

Donations for the Fair are already coming in. If you have small items for the Book Stall or White Elephant Stall, they must be in a good, clean condition, and can be left in one of the plastic boxes at the back of the hall. Please do not bring in larger items until the beginning of Term 3, as we have limited space in which to store things. More information on the Fair will be in the coming newsletters.

Kathy King