Dear Parents, Students and Staff

Yesterday we waved the year 5 students off for their camp to North Keppel Island. The weather was glorious with smooth seas and sunshine and the students were very excited. There were a few parents who were just a little envious! The activities the students will experience on camp include snorkelling, outrigging and raft building as well as studies of the environment and energy systems on the Island. I know everyone will have a great time and return on Thursday with many tales to tell.

Next term we will be catching up on events cancelled due to the weather. The Wetlands Tour for Grade 4/5 will now be held on Thursday 30 May. The Development Cup will be held on 19 April and the Cross Country Fun Run on 16 April. Interschool Sport for year 5-7 students begin on 26 April and information and permission forms will be sent out this week. Please note that money for interschool sport is due before 19 April. If any families are unable to pay before this date please contact me as soon as possible. If you would like to check the dates of any school events you can look on our website. Just click on “What’s Happening” on the front page for a calendar.

At the end of a busy term I’d like to wish everyone a relaxing, enjoyable and safe Easter break. We look forward to seeing everyone back for the start of school on April 15.

Carol Butler-Mader (Principal)

Did you know that the Cross Country was postponed? If you were a Farnborough State School Facebook friend you would have! It’s easy – just search Farnborough State School on Facebook and click ‘like’

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YEAR 6 & 7 CAMP FUNDRAISER
Don’t forget every Monday till the end of term, there will be a Sausage Sizzle at first break. Sausage on bread $2.50 each and icy cups 50c.
GARDEN NEWS
This week is the last chance we have to dig and plant the garden ready for the cooking next term. Please come and help. We need everyone on board (come rain or shine) to dig over and weed beds, put in new compost and plant our main beds.

So. I'll be there... hope you are too for the last Green Club this term.
3 – 4pm this Wednesday.

All chook careers please remember to put your names on the list. Thanks to staff who have offered help too. If you want to find out how to look after the chooks come to Green Club on Wednesday.

DURING THE HOLIDAYS if you have even 15 mins to spare, the orchard needs weeding and the garden will probably need watering ... Have a WONDERFUL EASTER BREAK. Thanks Pam

| Prep       | Mia W     | For coming to Prep each day with a big smile. |
| Prep       | Willow B  | For being such a lovely friend.               |
| Prep / Yr 1| Callum H  | For enthusiastic work in maths               |
| Prep / Yr 1| Melissa L | For being a hard working learner             |
| Year 1     | Abbey W   | For her love of writing.                     |
| Year 1     | Ruby H    | For her carefulness with animals.            |
| Year 1     | Jett L    | For listening to sounds and stretching out words. |
| Year 2     | Lily P    | For working hard in class all week           |
| Year 2     | Alex P    | For working hard in class                    |
| Year 2     | Scout W   | For always presenting his work neatly        |
| Year 2     | Shyanne B | For always being polite and courteous.        |
| Year 2 / 3 | Nahoya McD| For having brilliant persuasive writing       |
| Year 2 / 3 | Ella McC  | For wonderful work with persuasive writing    |
| Year 4     | Luke F    | For enthusiasm in finishing set tasks.        |
| Year 4     | Ainslie W | For determination to finish her work in class.|
| Year 4 / 5 | Tahlia M  | For a great attitude towards learning         |
| Year 6 / 7 | Ethan B   | For having a consistent excellent attitude to learning. |
| Year 6 / 7 | Ethyn S   | For excellence in work ethic.                 |

SEAPROOF RAFFLE
Many Thanks to Fisho CQ (the Hargreaves Family) for donating a $250 Seafood Voucher for a raffle which has helped raise money for the Yr 6 & 7 camp. With Lachlan drawing the winning ticket, the lucky winner is Barry Hoffman.

THANK YOU
Thankyou to everyone that came on Saturday morning for the fair meeting - it was a very productive time and we will look at doing another one early next term. It is a great opportunity to share ideas and to get things happening - hope to see you at the next one.
Cheers Kris.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
It’s on again!! From Monday 8th April, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Earn and Learn points from the checkout operator and place them on a Points Sheet. For every $10.00 spent you will receive a point. The completed sheets can then be placed into the collection box either at school or at the Woolworths store. Our school received a huge response to this last year and in turn the students have received many wonderful additions to their learning resources. So remember to collect as many as you can - don't forget to ask Grandparents, Aunts, and Uncles etc to help.
FARNBOROUGH STATE SCHOOL - COUNTRY FAIR

Our annual Country Fair is on again and fast approaching!! Scheduled for Sunday the 21st July 2013, this is the P & C's major fundraiser for the year. To all our new families this event is a wonderful day involving a variety of specialty stalls, class stalls, displays, entertainment, food and great company. Below is a list of some of the stalls happening on the day - as more are finalized I will let you know.

Each class has a stall on the day and these will be finalized next term. If you have any suggestions or you are able to assist with organising/convening or helping out on the day, please make contact with the class teacher ... they would greatly appreciated it.

For the Prep's Lucky Bags we ask for donations of small toys (pre-loved is fine, just in good condition), stickers, pencils, the Red Rooster toys you no longer need, hair ties etc etc - things that will fit into a brown paper bag. If you start collecting these things now, you will be surprised how many you will get. Check with Sue and Patrice if you are unsure.

The Cake Stall is always a wonderful stall to buy from so if you are into making jams, marmalades etc these will be greatly received. You may have a Grandma or Aunt who loves to cook and would like to donate a batch of scones or some wonderful biscuits. So spread the word!!

Side Show Alley - we are looking for any soft cuddly toys in good, clean condition that you no longer need - large and small for prizes. We are also after some "Poker Tokens" - kids ones or similar to use on the day. We have some but need to increase our supply. Any vouchers, small toys, tiddlies that can be used as giveaways/prizes. Any of these items can be left at the office for collection. As the time draws closer we will need eggs, eggs and some more eggs for the novelty events at the end of the day.

New Interested Parent(s) who may like to assist or think about taking over the Side Show Alley after this year! This will be Margie’s final year of being actively involved in the fair with the SIDESHOW ALLEY & NOVELTIES!( but she will support the fair in other ways in following years.)

Plants and Produce Stall - start potting up plants now. We also look for donations of fruit and veg and the occasional rooster, chook, fish etc are always gratefully received.

Craft Stall - any form of craft is always greatly received. Even unwanted craft magazines/books can be sold.

Second Hand Book Stall - like to recycle some old books that you have? Any donations to this stall can be brought in and left at the office. (We are still to confirm we have someone to convene this but hang onto those books and I will keep you posted)

White Elephant Stall - looking for someone to organise this also - if this is you please let office staff know or call Kris 0428 570 312.

Cent Sale - For this we look for any form of a new non perishable donation. Gift vouchers, give away cards, books, sewing, cooking items, craft etc. The list is endless so.... if you are in the know and are able to donate to this stall, please leave items at the office.

Artslink Queensland
A note went home today with this weeks newsletter ( to the eldest) regarding a performance which will be held on Wednesday 17th April at 2pm. Cost is $6 per student or $15 for a family of 3 or more. Please complete and return with payment to the office by Monday 15th April. **Thanks Pam**

Friday Sports Note
A note went home today to the years 5, 6 & 7 regarding Friday sports. Please complete and return with payment ($20 ) to the office. **Thank you.**
COMMUNITY NEWS

SWIMMING LESSONS
Intensive Swimming Lessons Emu Park Pool Connolly Aquatics will be running a 4 day intensive block on the school holidays in our heated pool from Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th April. The block will cater for children 3 years or over of any ability, as well as junior stroke development squads. If you are interested please phone the Emu Park Pool on 4939 6500 as soon as possible.

CENTACARE SUPPORT SERVICE
Capricorn Coast families needing support can breathe a sigh of relief as Centacare can help. Centacare now has an outreach office located at Shop 5/15 James Street, behind Maggie’s café, with counselling services offered Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.
Our qualified counsellors, Phil, John and Geraldine, are able to provide counselling and family support services. Under our Family Counselling services we can provide counselling on a broad range of issues including family maintenance, couples counselling, mental health issues, child counselling, low self-esteem, anger management, domestic violence, stress management, step-family issues, parenting issues and dealing with family separation. Anyone may access this service – there are fees for the service based upon fortnightly income however no one is refused a service based on an inability to pay.
Our family support service is available for children 0 – 18 years, their parents or carers. This service is a free service for eligible clients and provides support and counselling on parenting issues, budgeting skills and children's issues including bullying, self esteem.
Appointments can be made by phoning 1300 523 985.

SUNDAY, 2 JUNE 2013 - HUIHSH DRIVE, ROCKHAMPTON - School Fundraiser!!
Get $2 for every entrant registering online with your school’s name!
(This includes students, parents, siblings, friends, neighbours etc)
The Stanwell Power Station Rocky River Run, proudly conducted by the Rotary Club of Rockhampton, raises funds for local charities with a specific focus on the prevention of youth suicide. Recent beneficiaries include school chaplaincies and Lifeline. 2013 will see the implementation of a new project with CQUniversity which aims to promote prevention through early intervention. This initiative will be ongoing and will include a research component.
Events in the Rocky River Run are: 2 km Walk or Wheel **, 5 km Walk or Wheel **, 5 km Run/Team Challenge, 10 km Run, 21 km Half Marathon
** Wheeled events are for wheelchairs and prams/strollers only. No other transport will be permitted for safety reasons. This means no bikes, scooters, skateboards, roller blades etc.
Online entries close at 5 pm on Friday, 31 May.
No pets permitted.
Starting times: Harvard Wealth 21km Half Marathon - 6.30 am, City Centre Plaza 10km Run - 7.00 am
Grant & Simpson 5km Run or Team Challenge - 8.30 am, ENZED 5km Family Walk or Wheel - 8.30 am
The Frenchville Sports Club 2km Run - 8.45 am
Go to www.rockyriverrun.com and check out the School Team Challenge, registration fees and commonly asked questions. Food vans will be located on site. Merchandise. Shirts, singlets and caps will be on sale at the merchandise stall. To register, go to the website www.rockyriverrun.com and select your school from the drop-down list.

GIANT BOOK FAIR
Rotary is holding a Giant Book Fair at St Ursula’s College Hall, Queen Street, Yeppoon on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th April, 2013. From 8.00am - 3.00pm. Bargains are guaranteed, with books in all categories selling for 50c, $1.00 or $2.00 each. Proceeds will be divided between Rotary’s Indigenous Health & Literacy Project and Rockhampton Regional Libraries’ programs for children.

ROCKHAMPTON BASKETBALL
Thursday 18th and Friday 19th April Rockhampton Basketball will be holding their Winter Season Sign-On afternoons. This will be held at Rockhampton Basketball from 4pm to 6pm.