**What’s on NEXT week?**

Monday: PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Queen’s Birthday
Tuesday: SB Readers’ Cup
Thursday: P&C hosting Lorraine Lea Linen Demonstration, 3:15pm

**Tuckshop**
Next Tuckshop is Monday 15th June.
Winter Menu – Note: Hot Milos for morning tea and lunch / Baked Spuds and Baked Apples for lunch.
► Orders in by Thursday (11th) please. Lois Blanch - Coordinator

**Sth Burnett Readers’ Cup – Tuesday 9th June**
Yr 5 & 6 students Hannah Woodard-White, Jessie Bond, Luca Turton, Emma Kleinmans and Tim Blanch will represent the school at this year’s Readers’ Cup Challenge for Sth Burnett primary schools. 17 teams will meet at Kingaroy SS for rounds of questions about 5 novels.
We wish the students well and hope their experiences are rewarding. Mrs Morris will be supporting the students.

**Mr Johnston – PD**
DDSW Principals are attending a 4 day workshop in Highfields next week. Leading US educator Anita Archer will be running a series of workshops that will further develop the work done in DDSW schools on Explicit Teaching. There will be much to discuss and learn from the conference that will be shared with staff and introduced into our classrooms. Mrs Moseling will be teaching the Yr 5-6 class in his absence.

**Farewell Afternoon Tea for Mrs Birchley**
A farewell afternoon is planned for Friday 19 June, straight after school. Families and students of Mrs Birchley’s current and past students (Year 1 & Year 2) and any other interested people are welcome to attend. It will be a pleasant and casual way to thank Regina for the outstanding effort and impact she has made on students at the school. Her dedication and resourcefulness has been just fantastic and much appreciated by all.
Those coming are asked to bring a plate of “goodies” to share. The P&C will provide tea, coffee and cordial for students.

**New Teacher Tanya McGilvray**
Mrs McGilvray will at school on Tuesday 23 June to meet the Year 1 students and spend time planning with Mrs Birchley.

**Staff Maths PD**
Mr Newton & Mrs Ritchie will be attending a Maths workshop at Taabinga SS on Monday 15 June. The session will be run by well known maths practitioner Eva DeVrees. It will be very worthwhile PD as we are currently interested in the teaching of numeracy.

**SPECIAL ARTS TREAT**
Next Friday, students will be treated to a special ARTS DAY. The school has engaged Brisbane group RAWART to come to the school to do challenging & exciting art with each class. Each class will have a 1.5hr session with one of two artists.
Timetable for the day will change.
Session 1: 9.00 – 11.00, Session 2: 11.30 – 1.00, Session 3: 1.30 – 3.00

**Cowhorse Competition**
Bonnie Brunner and Emily McDonald will be competing in the Sth Burnett Cowhorse competition at the Nanango Showgrounds on Thursday 16 July.

**Report Cards**
Report Cards will be sent home on Friday 19 June.

**Student-led Conferences**
Student-led Conferences will be held Monday 22 – Wednesday 24 June. Conferences will be held before or after school. They are of 20 minutes duration – Booking Form out next Friday.
How do they work? Students gather a collection of work completed throughout the semester to show and discuss with their parents. The student runs the session with the teacher in the room for support. There are up to 3 Student-led Conferences happening in a classroom at any time.
Parents wishing to have a teacher interview will need to call and arrange a specific time, rather than try to squeeze one in at the Student-led Conference.

**Bookings MUST be made to fit all student-led conferences in. Please return your completed booking form ASAP, so a timetable can be developed and circulated.**

**Understanding Your Child’s Report Card**
Students and teachers this year have been working with the Australian Curriculum, as interpreted through Queensland’s C2C curriculum resources in Maths, English, Science, History and Geography. These and non-C2C areas HPE and The Arts are also reported on.

Over recent years, parents, students and teachers across Queensland have gradually become more familiar with a 5-point scale (e.g. A-E) process for reporting in all schools.

The system schools are using refers to attainment standards called “benchmarks of achievement” or “criteria.” So what makes an “A”, “B”, “C” etc is predetermined by a scale of achievement. Any student who shows evidence of meeting a particular level, deserves that benchmark grade.

This is what you could consider the new difference for a “C” really means:
- A “C” means that the student has met the criteria for a learner to be at the appropriate age level.
- A “C” means that the student is doing everything required at their year level at school. The best description is to say that a “C” means that the student’s academic development is exactly where it needs to be.

That means attaining a “C” for Achievement means you are ON TARGET for your age level.

With all of this in mind, we must accept that it may be harder to get an “A” or “B”. These grades are not awarded simply to the top students in the class. They are only given to students who show that they are independently capable of working beyond the criteria required for their year level.

*The big print giveth and the fine print taketh away.*  MONSIGNOR J. FULTON SHEEN
So what does all the information above mean?
- Many parents will see “C” grades on their child’s report card.
- An “A” for Effort and a “C” for Achievement indicates that your child is “On Target” for their age.
- (This grade should be celebrated with students because it means they have worked hard to be where they need to be.)
- The “Effort” grades are also really important because they are a reflection of how, in the teacher’s opinion, the student is working consistently in class in that learning area (English, Maths, Science etc).

Achievement Scales Prep – Yr 10 used in reporting.

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| Achievement | Australian Curriculum:  
- Applying  
- Making Connections  
- Working With  
- Exploring  
- Becoming Aware  
- Comment | Very High  
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Support Required | A  
B  
C  
D  
E |
| Effort and Behaviour | Comment | Very High  
High  
Sound  
Developing  
Support required | Excellent  
Very good  
Satisfactory  
Needs attention  
Unacceptable |

The Whole-School Weekly Spelling Rule for next week is...
When the letter ‘a’ is followed by ‘ll’ or ‘lk’ it will say ‘or’ – eg. chalk, tall

Aussies of the Month – April/May
Congratulations to the Aussies of the Month - Nicholas Alexander, Emily Black, Susan Blanch, Tia Bruce, Bonnie Brunner, Noah Deed, Kaidence Flood, Noah George, Royce Jensen, Fritz Kutzer, Tatum Litfin, Fidel Mearns, Cheyanna Mifsid, Vivien Mollenhauer, Amy Sempf, Jessica Town, Thomas Town and Thomas Waring who were presented with their badge and certificate on Monday.

A Nanango Bus Information sheet is attached for the students travelling on this bus. It outlines the departure and arrival times and picking up of students at the designated stops.

P&C Date Claimer
The P&C is hosting a Lorraine Lea Linen Demonstration on Thursday June 25th at 3:15pm.

- Come along and have a look – no obligation to purchase.
- All proceeds are to be donated to the school P&C.

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“We all like to think we’re unique until someone tells us we’re different.” – PK SHAW