What’s on NEXT week?

Monday ........................................ Payment required for FIZZ Opera (Yrs 2-6) OVERDUE
Wednesday .................................. P&C Shirt – ORDERS CLOSE
Friday .............................................. Bookclub Orders - CLOSE
....................................................... Premier’s Reading Challenge FINISHES
Friday 28th & Saturday 29th ............ P&C Raffle Ticket Selling at Kingaroy RSL:(6pm – 7:30pm)

Wide Bay Athletics
Congratulations to three students whose Sth Burnett success has meant nominations for the Wide Bay Athletics Carnival next Wednesday in Maryborough.


It will be wonderful experience to compete against the top athletes in the Wide Bay area. Students will be selected from this event to complete at the State Athletics Carnival.
Good luck Harmony, Jessie and Royce!

FIZZ – Opera Queensland
As Prep and Year 1 will be on excursion, ONLY Yrs 2-6 will be attending this live’ opera performance on 4th September.
Admission: $8.00 per student – Please pay ASAP, as number attending needs to be advised on Monday.

NAPLAN
The following item is from Director General Jim Watterston to all schools.

As you would be aware, results for the National Assessment Program — Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) were released on Wednesday 5 August.

Year 3 and Year 5 continue to show improvement in all test areas while Year 7, the first full Prep cohort, also performed strongly.

In fact, Queensland reported its highest ever results in 9 of the 20 test areas, and 95 percent of all tested students achieved the national minimum standard in numeracy.

These results are indicative of the amazing professionalism and commitment that is evident in our schools as we strive to ensure the success of every young person. We should all feel encouraged to sustain the effort, knowing that continued gains will be our reward.

Our school results were pleasing with both Year 3 and 5 reaching the National Mean Standards. When complete data sets are available, we will be able to analyse student performances, see where errors occurred and then address clear teaching needs for individuals and classes.

Whole School Spelling Rule
This week’s rule is – The phonogram ‘ear’ will say ‘er’ at the start or middle of a syllable – eg. earth, early.

School Excursions
Payment can be by instalments if this suits, please contact the school to make arrangements.

125th Updates
• Families are asked to contribute to the P&C’s Cook Book being put together for the 125th celebration.
• Advertising will soon begin – radio spots, newspaper items, etc.
• Families are asked to help spread the word of this event with friends, past families and contacts. Word of mouth is a great way to advertise.

This week, Joan Darracott, descendant of former student Fanny Franklin, donated a framed “Sampler” sewn by Fanny in 1917 at the age of 7. This will be put on display in the school library. It has an information page with it and is a wonderful example of the skill of people in those days.
Please feel free to have a look.

Prep Open Day, 12th October, (9:30 – 11:00am)
The Prep Open Day is an opportunity for 2016 Prep students to experience “school” for the first time. Our school tries to make their experience as real as possible. Parents will meet with Principal M Johnston to discuss a range of key matters about today’s schooling and Prep in particular. This discussion time will allow our teacher – Mrs P, to get started with her young students. The P&C will be providing morning tea for parents so they can meet each other.
Parents are asked not to bring toddlers (unless absolutely necessary) as this is a school experience for the Prep students.

Plastic Bags NEEDED
HELP! the school is looking for ‘Woolies’ plastic bags for bin liners – if you can assist please send the bags along to school.

P&C Shirt
If you wish to place an order for a P&C Shirt, please have your order in by Wednesday 26th August, as there will not be any spare’s on hand.
Thank You – Fiona Coyne (Uniform Coordinator)

Kingaroy RSL – Raffle Ticket Selling
Friday 28th & Saturday 29th August
The P&C is selling raffle tickets at the Kingaroy RSL next Friday and Saturday nights 6:00 – 7:30pm approx. This is a quick and easy fundraiser. Four ticket sellers required – please contact Kim Brackin ☎ 4171 0644 (h) or let the school know if you can help.

Nanango Country Muster: 11th - 14th September
P&C catering help will be required for assisting with the BBQ – information out shortly.
Looking for a holiday with a difference this coming September / October? … … Try this!

Where are you?
As the sun sets in the west and night fall comes into focus, you become amazed at the sky above and wonder why you haven't seen this before. It's as if the night is coming to life, the stars shine brighter and the night air cools, you hear animal noises you've never heard before and as your eyes adjust, you realise that you no longer need a torch to see as the moon lights everything in front of you.

As you look in wonder at the Milky Way, the Southern Cross and the constellations, you feel the warmth of an orange glow campfire behind you and as you turn around, there you see your family with marshmallows on sticks, hot chocolates in hand, listening to great stories being shared amongst new lifetime friends.

Where are you? You're on a farm in outback Australia.

Farmers associated with Buy a Bale, the campaign helping drought affected communities in QLD and NSW are offering up their farms so you and your family can come and see what drought looks like and have a Farm Holiday.

Our rural towns and hundreds of farmers are doing it tough and your visit could make all the difference. You never know, you might just make some new friends.

Some farms are offering a 100% free stay, some offering a bit of manual labour in exchange for free accommodation, others run Farmstays and have great promotional nightly rates.

All you have to do to enjoy a great Aussie farm holiday is check out the properties available, their location across our great country, make your booking and pack your bags.

Throw a tent in the car with sleeping bags, grab some marshmallows and a tin of Milo and take your family out west and have a ball.

Check out the great properties available at
www.underthestars.com.au

If you like the idea, please share it around as we have hundreds of nights available and you will remember this holiday experience forever. Buy a Bale is committed to helping farmers, their rural communities and City and Country come together, come join with us on this exciting initiative.

Charles Alder, Buy a Bale, 1300 448 322

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn.**

Double Sticker Weekend!

To help schools collect even more, Woolies are holding a big Double Sticker Weekend this Friday and Saturday only. Customers will get two stickers for every $10 they spend*.

‘The more you collect … the more educational equipment we can redeem.’

► LOOK for our box at Woolies to place your stickers in –
► Please ask family & friends to collect for us

**Kingaroy Junior Netball Break Up**

Players and their families are welcome to a fun afternoon of activities and celebration. There will be a jumping castle and sausage sizzle. All players are encouraged to attend as team photos and awards will be given out.

Place: Kingaroy Netball Courts

When: 1pm - 4 pm Saturday 22nd of August.

**Nanango and District Cricket Club**

**SEASON 2015/2016 SIGN ON DAYS**

29th August & 13th of September

Senior and Junior Teams:

A GRADE, B GRADE, UNDER 14, UNDER 12 & UNDER 10

**VENUE:** Nanango Sports Ground

**TIME:** 9AM – 1PM

**Cost for Season:**
- Juniors - $110 - $0 if eligible for ‘Get Started’ voucher (no ball fees)
- Seniors - $110 + $10 ball fees per week

*Get Started Program*

At present there is a ‘Get Started’ Voucher available to families who currently hold a Health Care Card. This voucher allows these families to potentially access $100 per child to get their child playing sport. For more information, access the Get started website http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame/getstarted.html or simply type ‘Get Started’ into google and click on the first link.

**Contacts:** Simon Morrow 0407 712 553 or Brendan Weil 0424 433 398

**Principal**

Murray Johnston