What’s on next week?

Monday 11th ............................ RNA Show Holiday
Wednesday ............................ Popcorn Day - Don’t forget to pre order!
Thursday ............................... Arts Council - Permission Envelope & Money DUE
........................................... Tuckshop Orders DUE
Friday, 8:15am .......................... Choir with Miss Liesegang (Library)

P&C Meeting August Minutes – included in today’s newsletter.

August Tuckshop
Tuckshop on the Monday 18th - do not forget to have your orders in by Thursday (next week) to go in the draw for your FREE lunch. Remember to use the UPDATED Winter Menu sent home last month.

- Ham & Tomato Sandwiches from $2.80 down to $2.50
- Frozen Juice Ice block from $1.50 down to $0.80
- Salad Sandwiches from $2.50 up to $3.00

Remember ... ... to make use of the meal deals, as these can be split over morning tea and lunch and makes your order slightly cheaper – I do try to pick up on these and sometimes your child will have change in their morning tea bag.

Mix & Match 1.............................$5.00
Your choice of a sandwich, roll, burger or 2 pizzas,
Your choice of a juice popper or a plain cup of milk
Your choice of a fruit cup, custard cup or apple slinky

Mix & Match 2.............................$5.50
As above but with a Breaka Flavoured milk for the drink

Arts Council, 19th August
‘Sarah’s Heavy Heart’ is our next Arts Council performance on 19th August. Follow Sarah on her search for love and friendship and let your heart get carried away.

Sarah’s heart is very heavy. She doesn’t know why, she just knows that it is. It’s difficult to carry, getting on the bus is tricky and it makes bath time impossible! She knows her heart will always be hers to carry, she just wished it wasn’t so heavy.

One day Sarah meets a boy who blows in with the wind. His heart is so light it carries him away. Together the new friends realise they are a perfect match. With someone to help Sarah carry her heart, she realises it’s not so heavy after all.

Adapted from Peter Carnavas’ beautiful picture book, Sarah’s Heavy Heart swells into a whimsical production filled with movement, music and life. Students will discover a sense of emotional understanding as they empathise with Sarah and share the weight of her heavy heart.

SB Zone Athletics Report
Twenty four students from Coolabunia formed part of the representative team for Kingaroy District Small Schools on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Whilst we didn’t have any age champions at this level, we had many other ‘champions’ in their own right. Personal Bests and some giving their best. Official results are now through – for nominations at Wide Bay level.

Congratulations to the following students who are now through for nominations at Wide Bay.
- Jessie Bond – Long Jump
- Jessica Feakins – Sprint and Discus
- Royce Jensen – Shot Put

These students will form part of the South Burnett Athletics Team and will compete at Maryborough on Wednesday 27th August. Good luck to each of you.

Thank you to the many parents who came along and supported their child and or Coolabunia competitors on the day.

Spelling Data Update / Report
Coolabunia School collects data on students at checkpoints throughout the year. Some data is collected and collated on a yearly basis whilst some data is collected every 6 months. Reading and spelling data is collected every 6 months and added to our assessment document. From end of Semester 2 2013 to the end of Semester 1 2014 our data has shown significant improvements in both reading and spelling. Students are assessed using a reading test that rates their reading in years and months. eg. Student ‘A’ went from a reading age of 11 years to 12 years in the six month period. Around 95% of children at Coolabunia have shown a reading age improvement of at least 6 months with the other percentage either maintaining or showing a slight improvement. This improvement in reading can be attributed to the hard work performed by all teachers as well as the implementation of the Reading Room. (Note improvement in preps will show up in our end of year data collection.)

Spelling has also shown a 95% improvement across the board with the majority of children moving onto a more difficult spelling phase with the other percentage maintaining or showing a slight improvement.

Overall the data has shown that the students are learning and improving thanks to the concerted effort of teachers to ensure that children succeed.

Welfare Team
This term our Welfare committee is supporting the RSPCA. We would like to provide them with old towels and blankets. If you have one at home please leave it with Jackson Besson for donation.

We will be having two fundraisers this term. The first is a series of Popcorn Days - 13th August, 27th August, 3rd September and 10th September. Cost of a cup of popcorn will be a

Total Cost (includes bus transport $1.00ea)
1 student = $ 7.00
2 students = $14.00
Family of 3 = $18.00

Permission envelope and payment due Thursday 14th August.
‘gold coin’ donation (per week) and students will have a choice of sweet, salty or buttered popcorn.

**Orders are due** on the **Monday before** Popcorn Day. Please place your orders in the tuckshop box outside Mrs Price’s office.

*Jackson Besson (Welfare Leader)*

**RSPCA Cupcake Day**

On Monday 25th August we will be having a cupcake day for the RSPCA. We are hoping to raise $500 for the animals that have been saved and to help fight against animal cruelty. Please help us by buying some cupcakes. Just fill out the order form and send it back in to school with the money by Thursday 21st August. **Thank you!!**

**Inter School Equestrian Challenge**

Bryon and Bonnie Brunner represented the school at the Inter School Equestrian Challenge last Thursday. There were approximately 100 students competing from 13 schools.

Events that were undertaken were Barrel, Bending, Keyhole, Diamond Flag, Dressage, Hack, and Jumping. Both children rode very well. Bonnie won age champion for 9 years.

**Bryon** - 2nd for Keyhole, Diamond Flag, Jumping and 3rd Barrel  
** Bonnie** - 1st for Barrel, Jumping, 2nd Bending, Keyhole, Diamond Flag and 3rd Dressage.

Byron and Bonnie at the Inter School equestrian Challenge last Thursday.