FROM THE PRINCIPAL

At the Cluster meeting last week, we discussed the good things each school is implementing, such as the Explicit Teaching at Warra and the Learning and Wellbeing Frameworks in each school. Further discussion ensued on the topics of Flying Start (Yr 7 transition to High School); our Pedagogical coach for the cluster; moderation and Pedagogical frameworks.

On Friday, I attended the Regional Improvement and Cluster Development Strategy meeting at Chinchilla. The Principals and staff members attending discussed and participated activities directed towards building a culture of feedback, reflection, review and coaching in our schools.

NAPLAN testing is being implemented this week. All tests are held in the morning to get the best result as students are fresh. Well done to those students participating. It is good to see the positive attitude most of these students are displaying while taking these tests and trying to do their best. All students across Australia, regardless of ability level are required to sit these tests. Tomorrow is Numeracy with Yrs 3 and 5 sitting the test.

I am absent from school for today and Thursday due to family commitments, but back on Friday as normal. Ms Siddins is here in my place.

Judy Angel

ARTS COUNCIL

On the 28th May, an Arts Council performance entitled “The Box” will be held at the school, commencing at 9.10 am. It is suitable for 5 yrs to 13 years. There will be no charge for students as this will be funded by the school.

The Box brings red nose clown, slapstick and physical comedy into one hilarious show about two clowns and a seemingly mundane box.

Two clowns have a job to move a box across the room... sounds simple but nothing is ever simple when clowns are involved! Expect a whole lot of chaos, comic creativity and fantastic situations that show how extraordinary the ordinary can become and how funny we all are at heart.

ENROL FOR PREP 2014

PREP ENROLMENTS

Warra State School is now taking enrolments for Prep 2014. If your child turns 5 by June 30th, 2014, they are eligible to commence Prep next year.

If your child is born between 1st July 2008 and 30th June 2009, please drop into our office to collect an enrolment pack. Also, please contact the school for an interview time. Enrolment forms need to be completed and given to the school plus the interview needs to be conducted BEFORE your child can commence Prep.

For the next 2 terms (Term 3 and 4), a Pre-prep program will be operating for those students who are enrolled for 2014, one day a week. A day has yet to be decided. More information will be in later newsletters.

P&C MEETING

The next general meeting will be held on 6 June at 3.30 pm.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

It’s simple to participate

From Monday 8th April, when staff and parents shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points from the checkout operator. There’ll be 1 Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent*. Once the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet is completed, you can place it in the Collection Box, at your school. *excludes liquor, cigarettes and gift cards. There is a sticker sheet included. Please ask at the school for more if you need them.

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Spain will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceast@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

DATES TO REMEMBER

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PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
Students wishing to take the challenge can register individually on the website. The reading period runs 14 May to 6 September. A special bookmark to track progress will be available for students to cut out in *The Courier-Mail* next Tuesday (21 May). For more information visit the Premier’s Reading Challenge website at [http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge](http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge).

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**Ballandean State School Year 5 & 6 CC School Fete**

Come enjoy a day of discount shopping!!!

At 8 different Warehouses in Brisbane

There will be raffles on the bus with lots of goodies to be won!!!

**Saturday 15th June 2013**

Cost: $60pp includes morning tea, coffee/tea, cold drinks, lunch & Lucky Door Prize

Pick Up: 5.00am Ballandean School
5.30am Woolworths carpark Stanthorpe
6.30am McDonalds Warwick

Ph: 46842534 for Bookings
Payment needs to be paid before the day

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**Warra’s Biggest Morning Tea**

Thursday 23rd May 9.30

Item of interest: something with chocks

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**A Midsummer Night’s Dream**

Shakespeare + “Glee” = Musical Matrimony!

*Glee* adaptation by Tara Routley presented by Dalby State High School

Tuesday 21st May at 7.30pm
Wednesday 22nd May at 7:30pm
Friday 24th May at 7:30pm
Saturday 25th May Matinee at 1:00pm
Saturday 25th May at 7:30pm

Adults: $12.00
Students/Concessions: $8.00
Children under 5 years: $5.00
Groups of 10 or more (Tues/Wed): $8.00

Tickets available at Dalby High School Office and Dalby Colour Innovations

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**Warra’s Heritage Centre in the Park**