FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This week saw the arrival of workmen to replace our driveway. We anticipate that they will be finished this by the end of next week. There have been QBuild and other contractors here at the school preparing quotes for maintenance at the school. There is concrete to be repaired and our grounds shed needs some TLC. Also, the painters will be back within the next few weeks to complete painting the external of the building.

Yesterday, Ms Siddins, Mrs Hauff and myself attended our last workshop for students with learning disabilities. This will assist us in helping students in the classroom who have difficulty with grasping concepts and reading. In the classroom, we are completing assessments for English on our narratives; Prep to Yr 2 are making their stuffed toys for Technology and also working on their portraits for Art. Yrs 4 – 6 are making/investigating transport toys and their own painting activities. They are looking good!

Mathematics assessment is ongoing throughout the term, with tests or assignments given after each strand is taught. Science (Biology – Life and Living) is progressing along, with experiments on the agenda for next week. Ms Siddins will be staying with us for another couple of weeks, until at least the 13th March.

Driveway progress

Judy Angel

TENNIS

Tennis lessons are on Wednesdays. Parent contribution will remain at $7.00 per lesson, with the school paying the remainder. This term the total parent cost will be $70 per student. This is optional, of course, but this is one of the few charges the school does pass onto the parents. Options are to pay in full or week by week. If you choose for your child not to participate in tennis, then please let the school know and we will arrange an alternate program. Tennis will be offered each term for the year.

P&C AGM

There will be a P&C AGM on Thursday, 27 March at 3.30 pm. All are welcome. There will be a general meeting to follow.

TUCKSHOP

Tuckshop is on this Friday! On the menu is Pork and gravy rolls $3.00; Fruit salad $2.00 and poppers for $1.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations go to Emma Wright, who has been awarded Student of the Week. Congratulations also to the following children who have received awards.

School Rule awards:
- Respect for Yourself – Michael Wright
- Respect for Each Other – Richard Merefield.

MAKE EVERYDAY COUNT IN 2014

Make 2014 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons. Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV. http://www.youtube.com/DETQueensland
Reading just 10 minutes each day is an investment in your child’s future.

State Library of Queensland launched *Dads Read* as part of the National Year of Reading 2012. Free *Dads Read* events and activities are held throughout Queensland to raise awareness of the importance and benefits of fathers and families reading with their children, particularly in their early developmental years. Reading with your children not only helps them to develop a love of reading, but also strengthens their literacy skills, models positive reading behaviour and builds children’s self-esteem around reading which is a fundamental life skill.

The *Dads Read* website ([www.dadsread.org.au](http://www.dadsread.org.au)) provides parents with reading tips and tools to model behaviour, helping your child to develop a love of reading. *Dad Read* is about investing in your child’s future.

**Dads Read Family Fun Day in Dalby**
Saturday 8 March 2014 | 9am – 1 pm
MyALL107 – 107 Drayton Street, Dalby
This family fun day, full of free activities and food, will entertain your family.

Featuring entertainment from:
Rhys Muldoon (*Play School and House Husbands*)
Tim Jackman (*Children’s entertainer, The Corner, SLQ*)


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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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**Position Vacant:**

**Casual Personal Care Attendant**
Jandowae Domiciliary Care
Please refer to the Western Downs Regional Council Website for more details.

**CASUAL CLEANER WANTED**

Warra State School is seeking expressions of interest from people interested in undertaking casual cleaning duties at the school. Casual cleaners are required to perform relief duties when permanent staff are absent. Minimum engagement is 2 hours and the hours of work can be between 5.00am – 8.00am or 3.00pm – 6.00pm.

If you are interested in registering for this, on an “as required” basis, please send in a brief letter of application along with a copy of a current working with children blue card to:

The Principal
Warra SS
Robinson St
WARRA Q 4411
Expression of Interest

Position Vacant – Warra State School

Temporary Administration Officer - A02 Position (19 ½ hours per fortnight) 10 March 2014 – 16 Jan 2015

As the Administrative Officer you will:

Provide efficient and effective administrative, data entry and basic data collection/analysis tasks, keyboard and clerical support that contribute to the effective operations of the work unit. Concurrently undertake a variety of administrative, clerical, data entry and executive support duties including reception services for the work unit.

Your role

You will have responsibility for leading the following activities and delivery of the following key tasks:

Provide effective and efficient general administrative support to work units or offices.
Provide data entry and basic level data collection/analysis, general computing, keyboard and/or administrative and clerical services.
Provide reception services including receiving telephone calls and visitors to the work unit and where necessary direct these to appropriate areas.
Sort, distribute and track correspondence and provide a follow up service where necessary.
Operate and maintain a range of office equipment.
Assist with ordering, stock control, records/file management and financial management.
Perform a variety of other administrative or support services as directed by the manager or unit team leader.