CAMP UPDATE

There are only 41 days until we head off to Sydney and Canberra. We would like to remind everyone that all money needs to be collected by Wednesday 24 July. The staff have been discussing how much spending money the children will need to take on the trip. We believe that there will be no great need for a large amount of spending money. Meals are provided. The only money the children may need is to buy some souvenirs. It is always a concern when children carry large amounts of cash on any school excursion. We will leave the decision to the parents but the children shouldn’t need any more than $50.

Please feel free to call if you need to discuss this matter.

JUNIOR CHOIR AT BINNA BurRA

Hi everyone just a quick note that once again the Junior Choir will be singing at Binna Burra on this Friday the 19th July. I would really appreciate the attendance of all choir members as we are a small group. A.-Thanks Tania

SCHOOL WORKING BEE

We are looking for volunteers to help at a Working Bee which will be held on Sunday 28 July 2013 between 9:00 and midday. Mark Evans has done an amazing job getting the school grounds tidied up but we need a concerted effort to really get on top of the gardens.

It would be greatly appreciated if as many people as possible could help out. If you are free next Sunday could you let Douglas know as soon as possible. We will have a sausages for lunch.

EVERY DAY COUNTS

Our school encourages all parents and members of our community to support the State Government initiative to improve student attendance.

The program – Every Day Counts – has four key messages:

• all children should be enrolled and attend school on every school day
• schools should monitor and create ways to improve attendance in schools
• attendance is the responsibility of everyone in the community
• children may find themselves in unsafe situations if they choose not to attend or skip school.
• While most students attend school consistently, there is a small number of students who are absent from school without an acceptable reason and this may harm their education.

Going shopping, visiting family, staying up late and being tired or extending school holidays are not acceptable reasons to be away from school.

Research shows that if your child has a record of good attendance, they are more likely to achieve high results in the future.

If your child is away, you need to let the school know the reasons beforehand, or within two days of returning to school.

For more information or if you need support regarding your child’s attendance, see our school principal and download the guide for parents at: www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/
COMING EVENTS

JULY
16 July  P & C meeting 7pm
17 July  Narangba Valley SHS Band Performance
26 July  Canungra and District Athletics Carnival
28 July  School Working Bee

AUGUST
07 Aug  Colour day Theme Stripes
09 Aug  Raw Art
14 Aug  P & C meeting 7pm

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Wed 17th July  Vicki Bouwer
Fri 19th July  Michelle Moyce
Wed 24th July  Volunteer needed
Fri 26th July  Volunteer needed
Wed 31st July  Vicki Bouwer
Fri 02 Aug  Janine Van B

WELCOME TO A BEAUTIFUL WINTER TERM 3.
Welcome to week 2. This week sees our term program kicking off with puppetry on Monday.
Tuesday the children will bee cooking a yummy scrummy chocolate slice with Kids in the Kitchen.
On Wednesday the children will get creative.
Thursday Kim will take the children to the Hall on Graceleigh for a fun game of badminton.
On Friday Kara and Janine will continue to make our Mountain Mates gardens beautiful.
Have a great week. From Kim, Janine, Kerry, Clare, Kara & Christie. Your Mountain Mates Team.

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UNIFORM NEWS

Uniform shop is open every Friday from 8.15 until 8.45.
Thanks Janine

STUDENT BANKING

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For you chance to win, students need to simply make one or more School Banking deposits during Term 3. To find out more, talk to your School Banking Co-ordinator or visit your local branch.

THANKYOU

A big thank you to Matt Keenan for his excellent cabinetry in the tuckshop. It’s very much appreciated.

INSTRUMENTAL NEWS

Instrumental Music News: Lessons and rehearsals on as per usual this week – please remind your son/daughter to bring their instrument on correct day (band on Wednesday, strings on Thursday). Selected students would have received letters last week about the Nerang Alliance Music Workshop for July 25th. Reminder that permission slips are due tomorrow. I look forward to meeting you at our concert at Nerang High.
Sonia Filkorn, sfilk1@eq.edu.au Acting Instrumental Music Teacher.

LIBRARY NEWS

All book club must be back at school by this Thursday (18th). Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

YEAR 1/2 CLASS

This week the children have begun looking at lots of different maps as an introduction to our SOSE unit: Our Places, local and global environments. If by any chance you have maps at home, or work somewhere that uses maps, I would appreciate any extras you can donate towards helping us gather a large, varied collection of maps for use in our classroom activities. On Thursday the Year 1’s can look forward to a visit from the fire brigade to brighten their day☺.
On another note parents please check your child’s hair as we have been notified of a case of head lice in the class.
Congratulations to last week’s award winners: Dylan Lester for effort in writing, and Mikah Brown for the highest score on the weekly Literacy Planet Leaderboard. Special congratulations go to Becky Bennett and Samuel Hashim Jones for their
Certificates of Outstanding Achievement in Mathletics.

If there is anything you wish to discuss you are welcome to contact me on 55459100 or kpryo8@eq.edu.au

Wishing you all a good week,
Kerry Pryor

YEAR 2/3 CLASS

This week for homework children have been given a worksheet on the 3 times tables. They are also encouraged to practise the 3 times tables over the week as they will be assessed on these times table on Friday. All week in maths children are continuing to learn their times tables. By now they are expected to know their X0, x1, x2, x5 and X10. Some of these times tables will also be part of the test on Friday, so if the students are still not familiar with these times tables they should practise them as well.

Have a good week. Demelza Atherton dathe1@eq.edu.au

YEAR 3/4 CLASS

In Maths this week we have been working with length in measurement. The children have been working with measuring long distances accurately using centimetres and metres. Revision of number lines using whole numbers and fractions has also been a priority this week. Learning of basic number facts continues to be a priority for children as part of their homework.

The first Homework sheet for this term was sent home today. Spelling remains an important part of daily homework. Children should be getting out their word cards and sorting these each night as part of this daily practice.

In English, the children will be starting to plan their text for the Public Speaking Competition. This will be a persuasive text that the children will be constructing on their own during class time. We have also begun to revise and practise public speaking strategies.

In Science, our focus for the first five weeks will be Space. We will be covering many aspects such as movement of the planets in the solar system, day and night, seasons etc.

Have a great week. Regards, Dan Albright dalbr1@eq.edu.au

YEAR 5/6 CLASS

The individualised homework tasks were sent home yesterday. The children were very honest with identifying the areas in which they felt they needed to improve in and they have been provided with a variety of ways in which they can practice these. Children also need to read aloud or to themselves for a minimum of ten minutes as well as practice their spelling words.

We have begun writing our speeches for the public speaking competition held later on this term. All speeches will be written and practiced at school.

Have a great week, Regards.
Katie and Joyce kmann38@eq.edu.au  jbour96@eq.edu.au

YEAR 6/7 CLASS

According to the students, this week they are “awesome”… just ask them and they will tell you!! On a more serious note, congratulations to everyone who has been selected to represent our school at the Canungra and District Athletics next Friday. Permission forms for this day should have been returned to school so that transport arrangements can be made. For those who have not yet handed it in, can you please do so as soon as possible.

A big congratulations to all students on the way in which they lead the groups during NAIDOC Day celebrations last Wednesday. I received some very positive comments about their behaviour and the leadership skills which they showed. Well done 6/7.

Have a great first week back. Regards
Tanya Stanley tstan15@eq.edu.au & Crichton Roberts crlobe60@eq.edu.au
BEECHMONT NETBALL CLUB NEWS

Thanks to everyone for making the effort to attend and play at the opening of the Tamborine Netball Courts on Sunday. It was a great morning and very beneficial to our club to be able to speak and meet with politicians who could possibly help us have our own courts one day.

Games for this Saturday are as follows:
- 9am Court 3 Beechmont Bandicoots v Supremes Angels
- 9am Court 12 Beechmont Tigers v Chargers Chipmunks
- 10am Court 2 Beechmont Saints v Legends Limes
- 10am Court 7 Beechmont Eagles v Chargers Cherries

This Sunday (21st) is the Scenic Rim carnival at Fassifern Netball Courts, Macquarie St, Boonah Show Grounds. It starts at 9:30 am sharp and canteen facilities will be available. Transport for the players by bus will be finalised this coming Saturday.

The second round of the “Get in the Game” program opened yesterday (15th). This program is designed to financially assist those who are eligible in having their child participate in sport. For more information ring 1300 656 191 or go to www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding

HAVE YOUR SAY AS PART OF THE WORKING PARENTS RESEARCH PROJECT

Researchers from the University of Queensland are looking for working parents to take part in a survey looking at the effects of working life on Queensland children and families. We are particularly interested in Fly-in/Fly-out (FIFO) and Drive-in/Drive-out (DIDO) workers but value and encourage input from all kinds of working parents. The survey will only take around 30-45 minutes to complete. Your involvement will help the field to learn more about the effects of different work circumstances and settings on children and families. Your participation will also assist in developing ways to properly support working parents in the future.

- Are you a working parent?
- Do you have a child aged between 2 and 12 years?
- Are you willing to provide 30-45 minutes of your time?

For further information and to take part in the survey, please visit: https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/workingparents

All participating parents will be eligible to enter a draw to win 1 of 10 $100 Coles/Myer gift cards!
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