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Mudpicker Bulletin



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School Goal - That 85% of students achieve a C or higher in English and Maths in every year level.

Principal's Message

Parent Opinion Survey

Just a reminder to please complete the parent opinion survey as we always value your feedback.

NAPLAN Results

The year 3 and 5 NAPLAN results sheets have been handed out today. We are very pleased with the overall achievement of the students and the great that all children put in with their learning.

Mudpickers Have Talent Finals

Due to the very large number of participants in the heats we had to postpone the Mudpickers Have Talent Finals to Wednesday 30 August. This year is the largest group of children to have entered the competition. Congratulations to the following children who have already been selected to enter the finals:

Pippa and Elektra; Hayley and Isla; Peata and Lucy;

Ciallan and Lewis; Logan and KC; Tahden; Valerie

Remaining finalists will be announced before the end of the week as we still have some children performing before the end of the week.

Book Week Parade

Just a reminder that we have the bookweek parade on Friday 25 August. Children are encouraged to bring along the book that they dressed up as a character from.

Bookweek Photo Competition

We have already had some amazing photographs entered for this year's Bookweek Photo Competition. Entries close by Friday 23 August at 8am.

Year 6 Town High Experience Day

All year 6 children will be attending an Experience Day at Townsville State High School on Thursday 24 August. The high school will be providing transport by bus and children will be picked up at 9:30 am and return to school at around 2:30 pm. Children need to wear school uniform and bring a notebook, pen, enclosed shoes, hat, water bottle and lunch. The school canteen will be open for snacks/drinks. Children will enjoy three curriculum based lessons of 45 minutes with a lunch break between each class. Most children have now returned their permission form and please ensure that you have this returned by Thursday morning.

Smoking Outside the School Boundary Fence

Please be aware that persons are required to be at least 5 metres from the boundary fence if smoking.

If you are a smoker please keep this in mind when dropping off or picking your student/s at school that your smoke may offend others who are not smokers.

Father's Day Stall

The Father's Day stall will be open on the 30th August, 31st August and 1st September at 8.00am-8.45pm and 2.30pm – 3.15pm. Please support the P&C in this venture.

Choir

Thank you to Kerri and Tori for running the school choir again this year. The first session was on Friday 18 August with the next choir session on Thursday 24 August. There are also several additional sessions with the performance being run on parade on Wednesday 13 September.

Silver Reward Day

Congratulations to those students who achieved Silver Reward by earning 50 gotchas so far this term. Children who have earned 75 gotchas by the end of week 9 in term 3 will be eligible for our Gold Reward Day which in term 3 is the movie and popcorn reward day (part of which runs over the lunch break).

Teacher Aide Day and Administration Officer Day

We would like thank our support staff for excellent contributions they make to our school and the tremendous way that they support our school students, families and staff.

Prickle Day

Thank you to our helpers who came to help with the prickles day. We removed many prickles around the fig tree area making the area more pleasant for all the children.

Parent Information Session – Basic Facts

Our school has been working well to support children in their basic fact knowledge and understanding. To let parents know more about the work we are doing in this area a Parent Information Session is being run on Friday 25 August in the library at 2:15 pm. Hope you can

attend.

Athea Projects – Wee Care Program

Programs provided are:

- Shared Family Care (SFC) Recruitment and Support of Foster Carer's Emergency Relief Financial assistance (ERF) Monday to Friday 9-12pm
- First Steps (new Mums and Bubs program)
- Playgroup every Thursday morning 9.30-11.30
- Townsville Drop in Centre (TDIC) providing breakfast and lunch and various other services in a safe environment for homeless people and those disadvantaged.
- We provide emergency/respite Child Care to Children from 0-11 years of age.

For more information please find brochures in the foyer of administration.

Calendar

Thursday 24 August – Year 6 Town High Experience Day

Friday – 25 August – Bookweek Parade – 9 am

Friday 25 August – Boowee Photo Competition

Friday 25 August – Parent Information Session – Basic Facts

Wed. 30 August – Mudpickers Have Talent Finals – 2pm.

Thur. 31 Aug – Fri 1 September – Year 4 Overnight Stay.

Friday 1 September – Teacher Aide Day and Administration Officer Day.

Wednesday 13 September – Choir Performance on parade (starting at 2:30 pm)

Weekly Awards

P/1

Denzel for a great start at Townsville South!

Zoe for incredible writing in writing workshop!

Tyler for a fantastic effort in independent reading!

Domonic for a huge effort using known sounds in his writing!

Year 1/2

Carlyle for being a great classroom helper.

Harry for excellent reading.

Olivia for making a great start publishing on the computer.

Lucy for making a great start publishing on the computer.

Charlie for being a great listener and putting in so much effort.

Year 2/3

Harley for great results in Mathematics.

Trevor for great results in Mathematics.

Ari for being helpful and always polite.

Landyn for always trying his best.

Year 3

Rhiley for working hard on his poetry assessment. Well Done!

Frank for a well thought out reading journal entry.

Maddison for working hard in Maths – putting in extra effort!

Peata for always putting her best effort into her work, and asking questions when she needs help.

Year 4/5

Corey for doing his best work in Geography.

Diamond for being a mature student who accepts responsibility for her behaviour and learning.

Isaac for his detailed work in geography.

Mackenzie for excellent work on her geography assessment.

Year 5/6

Millie - A warm welcome back to Townsville South State School.

Rylee for a fantastic effort in our Poetry Analysis.

Citizenship Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have earned 75 citizenship points and received their citizenship badge:

Xander, Ella and Drew

Afterschool News

Please contact the Afterschool Care direct or by text on 0428065544, if there are any changes to your child's arrangements for after school care. Thanks.

Week 7 Comprehension Skill of the Week – Inferring.

This is where children are able to understand what the text means without them directly being told – really this is like 'reading between the lines'.

Week 7 Responsible Behaviour Skill of the Week – Use

Equipment Appropriately – it is important that children use equipment both safely and in an appropriate manner. Children also need to ensure that all equipment is returned and looked after. Well done to our sports room monitors for the great way they distribute and look after the school's resources.