Thought for the Week: You can't make a reputation on what you are going to do.

SCOOTER DAY

The Student Council would like to thank all the students and parents who supported our Scooter fundraising day yesterday. We set up a course around the school, with a wide variety of road signs for students to follow and obey. It was lovely to see students sharing their scooters with those who didn’t have one, and students are to be congratulated on being safety conscious in ensuring they brought their helmets along. Well over $120 was raised, with several families donating extra to help Rohan out after the theft of his scooter. A presentation will be made at next week’s assembly. The day was so popular, we might even consider having a “Scoot-a-thon” later in the year, instead of a Walk-a-thon!

NUDE FOOD DAY

Next Tuesday is the first Tuesday in the month and as such, it is Nude Food Day, a day where we ask students to bring their lunches in containers, rather than commercial packaging or cling wrap, so that they might become more conscious of the effects of packaging and litter on our environment.

If you are interested in watching what happens to our garbage, especially plastic, google ‘great pacific garbage patch youtube’. You’ll be astounded at the mass of plastic debris in the middle of our ocean.

Please help your children to support Nude Food Day by banning packaging in their lunch boxes EVERY day, if you can. I’ve done it for more than 10 years now and it’s not hard.

Students will receive a token for the Nude Food Draw at next Wednesday’s assembly and perhaps win a nude food container.

UNDER 8s DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The P&C have kindly sponsored a free sausage sizzle for all students in Prep to Year 3 participating in Under 8s Day next Thursday 5th June. Students received order forms today. Parents and toddlers attending Under 8s Day activities next week will also need to fill in an order form so that we have some idea of numbers. Drinks will still need to be paid for.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR GRADES 4-7

Students in Grades 4-7 will also be able to order sausage sandwiches and poppers on the day, at regular prices. They have a separate order form.

HELP FOR UNDER 8s DAY

Are there any dads out there who could assist cooking sausages? Most of our P&C have children who are Under 8 and would like to be able to spend some time with their children at the activities. We’d be very grateful if you could fill in the TEAR OFF SLIP if you can spare some time from about 9.30 a.m. to help out.

Help will also be needed from about 10.30 a.m. to serve the sausage sandwiches to the Under 8s, and their parents, so mums, if you can spare some time to help in the tuckshop at that time, there’s a TEAR OFF SLIP for that too. All Under 8s Day participants will be served first, followed by students in Grades 4-7 who have ordered.

THANKS P&C!

FORENSIC SCIENCE DAY-KEPNOCK SHS

Four of our senior students, Aimee, Rohan, Toby and Curtis, attended an ACES (Academic Curriculum Excellence-Science) Day at Kepnock SHS on Monday. It was great to see their faces lit up when they got back, to tell me how much they enjoyed their morning, looking into a ‘crime scene’ and trying to gather the clues, take fingerprints, etc.

We are very lucky to have Kepnock SHS as our local high school. They regularly offer our gifted and talented students opportunities to attend sessions that we would not be able to offer ourselves.

Marty Krehilk, the Head of Science at Kepnock, said the students were extremely well behaved and he is impressed with the quality of students who will be attending Kepnock SHS in the future.

YEAR 6/7 SENIOR SHIRTS HAVE ARRIVED/FINAL PAYMENT OF $15 IS REQUIRED FOR YOUR CHILD TO COLLECT THEIR SHIRT.

Safety, Responsibility, Respect and Learning

Great state. Great opportunity.
DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

28 May  Mrs Patterson & Mrs Brown (Miss Jo replacing) at Training
Active After School Sport-Basketball

29 May  Show Holiday

30 May  Friday Sport for Grades 4-7, $5 bus fare

02 June  Mrs Patterson at Small Schools Meeting (Mrs Shield replacing)

03 Jun  Nude Food Day
Active After School Sport-Soccer

04 Jun  Active After School Sport-Basketball

05 Jun  Under 9s’ Day & P&C Sausage Sizzle

06 Jun  Friday Sport for Grades 4-7, $5 bus fare

10 Jun  Active After School Sport-Soccer

11 Jun  P&C Meeting, including a Child & Youth Mental Health Information Session for parents
Active After School Sport-Basketball

13 Jun  Please return Chics Pies order form with money
Friday Sport for Grades 4-7, $5 bus fare

17 Jun  Active After School Sport-Soccer
1st Enrolment Evening for 2015 Keppock SHS 3.45-5.30pm

18 Jun  Athletics Carnival (No After School Sport)

20 Jun  Friday Sport for Grades 4-7, $5 bus fare

25 Jun  Active After School Sport-Basketball
Reports come home

27 Jun  End of Term 2

SHOW HOLIDAY
Just a reminder that tomorrow is Show Holiday. Schools (and many businesses) in Bundaberg are closed. Thank you to parents who are taking the opportunity to take their children to the show ON THURSDAY, rather than taking Wednesday or Friday off to do so. Thanks for your help in supporting your child to understand that EVERY DAY COUNTS.

DISCO
We had a great Pyjama Party Disco on Friday Night! Thanks parents for coming along to watch and help with supervision. It was great to see you all there!

Thanks to the Student Council for organising the theme, and to Miss Thompson for being a great DJ on the night.

On the night we had a special cake to celebrate P&C DAY. Our P&C was, of course, busy on the night organising pizza and sliders for the students to enjoy! Thanks again to our hard working P&C Executive and their helpers!

TIPS FOR DEVELOPING THE BEHAVIOUR YOU WANT TO SEE IN YOUR CHILD
Show your child how you feel. Tell him honestly how his behaviour affects you. This will help him see his/her own feelings in yours, like a mirror. This is called empathy. By the age of three, children can show real empathy. So you might say, ‘I’m getting upset because there is so much noise I can’t talk on the phone’. When you start the sentence with ‘I’, it gives your child the chance to see things from your perspective.

SCHOOL SORES
We have had a couple of incidences of school sores over the past week. If severe, children need to undertake antibiotic treatment and can return to school after 24 hours of commencing. Sores must be covered. Please encourage children to wash their hands.

School sores are spread by scratching sores with dirty fingernails and often insect bites are the main source. A great treatment for insect bites is an ointment called ‘Soov’. It contains an anaesthetic which numbs the area and stops children scratching.
ASSEMBLY AWARDS:
We will have to report on TWO lots of assembly awards next week, as the newsletter is a day early due to tomorrow's show holiday and we haven't had today's assembly yet.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE
Our whole school has registered for the Premier's Reading Challenge. There's a recommended reading list if parents would like a copy, but the list is not mandatory, so any books students are reading (or for younger age groups, having read to them) are fine.
Prep-Year 4 students have to read, or have read to them, 20 books by 5 September. In Grades 5, 6 & 7 the target is 15 books, since these children usually read novels, and they take longer to read. The Premier awards certificates to students who complete the challenge and hand in their signed sheets. This is monitored at home, not school, but home reading can be included on the recording sheet. We ask parents to ensure students (particularly independent readers) are actually reading their books, not just flicking through the pages. We look forward to ALL our students gaining their certificates later this year.

CLASS NEWS
PREPTONE
In Maths this week we are learning about money. We have explored the features and values of coins and have completed a basic introduction of notes. In geography we have enjoyed constructing 3D and 2D maps representing and describing features of different environments using positional language. For our assessment task we are creating a map of our room, you might want to spend a little extra time observing and discussing the furniture, location of doors or windows or other features which could be recorded on a map. Please discourage unnecessary absences particularly at this time of year as we are conducting many assessment tasks which will inform our judgements for the semester 1 reporting period. Hope that you all enjoy the Show Holiday and take time to relax with your family!
KATH & DENISE

WHAT'S THE SCOOP from YEAR 2/3?
In English this week, we are continuing to write an imaginative narrative about Billy or Isabella. There are some budding young writers who are showing amazing talent in creating a problem and an interesting solution.
In Math, the year 2s are revisiting fact families and strategies to help add or subtract a string of numbers. The year 3s are extending their knowledge of place value and representing 4 digit numbers in various ways.
In science, we have explored the life stages of a dog. We have looked at some very cute puppy pictures and decided what their needs were and who meet them.
Pip 😊

THE BUZZ from year 4/5
We have had a great week this week. Behaviour has been great and students are working hard to collect stamps for the passports.
In Maths this week we have explored numbers up to 100000. We have partitioned numbers in both standard and non-standard ways. This week we have been working hard on our x2 facts. Please practice these at home along with their division facts. We want our whole class fluent in these facts.
In English we have started on our Animation unit. Everyone is keen to get working on this interesting subject.
In Science we are exploring life cycles of plants and animals. We looked at metamorphosis, occurring in the life cycle of butterflies, dragonflies, flies and frogs.
In Geography we are completing our second part of assessment, consolidating our knowledge of rainfall, vegetation and graphing. Have a fantastic show holiday everyone.

KELLY

HOT GOSS from YEAR 5/6/7
Students have completed the planning for their assessment task and are starting to write their first drafts of an imaginative recount of an incident from the Ned Kelly book we are reading, called Black Snake.
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