MISSING BRAND NEW SCOOTER AND HELMET

Some of you will already have seen the post on our Parents and Staff Facebook page, outlining a theft from the bike racks yesterday. Sadly one of our students had a very expensive bright orange MGP scooter and a red helmet stolen from the bike racks at the front of the school yesterday. It is the first time in the eight years since I have been at the school that something like this has happened. If you can help by keeping an eye out for anyone riding the scooter, or trying to sell one like it, it would be greatly appreciated. Please see our Facebook page, and posters around the school for photos of the missing items and notify the office if you have any information. The theft has been reported to police. Please help Rohan get his recent birthday present back. He is understandably very upset. Thanks in advance for your help!

NAPLAN TESTS

A big rap for all our students in Grades 3, 5 and 7 for their work in NAPLAN this week. They have all given it their best shot, which is all we ask of them! They have their Numeracy test today and then their done. Thanks also to parents for making sure their children were at school and sending along extra snacks to keep the brain going and to staff and students in other year levels for coping with all the timetable changes. A great combined effort!

RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOUR PLAN FOR STUDENTS

Proposed changes to the Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students will be trialled in classrooms for a term, starting next week, to see how well they work.

The proposed changes are being undertaken to try and encourage a more positive approach to behaviour in the school.

In the previous plan, students got to Bronze, Silver or Gold after only six weeks of good behaviour (2 weeks at each level). If a student had a detention, they were taken down a level and had to earn it back.

We are now trialling a model that works on the understanding that once earned, an achievement should not be taken away. Once a level is earned, students will stay on that level. Each student will have a behaviour passport in which stamps will be awarded on a daily basis:

- 3 stamps for outstanding behaviour
- 2 stamps for very good behaviour
- 1 stamp for a good session/lesson
- 0 stamps if a detention is received that day

Some of our students are on an individual behaviour plan and will be awarded stamps if they follow the guidelines of their own plan.

Students will need:

- 30 stamps to get to Bronze
- 100 stamps to get to Silver
- 200 stamps to get to Gold
- 350 stamps to get to Platinum

As you can see, it will be harder to get to the top levels, so these levels will really need to be EARNED not just given. Once the trial is approved by staff and parents, it is proposed that there will be a Levels Reward afternoon each term, with a variety of options depending on which level your child has achieved.

Detention will still occur for students not following their school and classroom rules. Detention will be used as a reflection time, where students think about their behaviour using the following questions:

- What did I do and why?
- How can I fix things up?
- What can I do differently the next time I'm in this situation?
- What are the consequences of my actions?

Reflection Sheets for P-3 and 4-7 are slightly different and students in P-3 have the option of drawing what happened.

Reflection sheets will be sent home to parents, who are asked to discuss their child's behaviour with them, and sign the sheet to be returned to school the next day.

The reflection sheet will also indicate how many detentions your child has had. Three detentions in a week, or 7 detentions in a term will bring your child to AMBER WARNING (a loss of play for 3 play sessions (P-3) or 3 days (4-7)). Six detentions in a fortnight or 14 in a term will bring your child to RED WARNING (a loss of play for 5 play sessions (P-3) or 5 days (4-7)). At this level children cannot represent the school. This level is one step away from SUSPENSION, which is always used as a last resort.

As always, your child can go straight to one of these levels, without having built up a number of detentions, if the incident is serious enough.

We hope you will use this opportunity to encourage your child to earn stamps towards each level by displaying expected behaviour, and to discuss poor behaviour if a reflection sheet is sent home.
DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR
16 May  Friday Sport for Grades 4-7: $5 bus fare
19 May  Happy Week begins
20 May  Upper 2 Bands project begins
20 May  Mayor's Chaplaincy Breakfast: Captains attending
20 May  Mrs Patterson @ Principals' meeting; Mrs Shield replacing
21 May  Active After School Sport-Soccer
21 May  Kapno SHS Year 7 Information evening for Grade 6 parents
21 May  Life Education Van (Harold)
22 May  P&C Food Day: Toasties
22 May  P&C Chics Pies order form goes home
22 May  Active After School Sport-Basketball
23 May  Happy's Crazy Hair Day & Lunchtime Challenges
23 May  Friday Sport for Grades 4-7: $5 bus fare
25 May  Pyjama Party Disco 5:30-7:30pm
26 May  Kapno SHS Science ACES program for selected Grade 6-7 students
27 May  Active After School Sport-Soccer
28 May  Active After School Sport-Basketball
29 May  Show Holiday
30 May  Friday Sport for Grades 4-7: $5 bus fare

FAREWELL FROM THE CURRY FAMILY
Last week we said goodbye to the Curry family who were with us only a short time, but made a big impact. We wish them all the best for the next stage of their journey. Below is a snippet from an email from Rachael Curry that I'd like to share with you. Thanks for your kind words, Rachael!

"Thanks so much for having my little Curry kids at your lovely school, they've loved every minute and they have both come along with their learning beautifully too. Adara learnt the new writing script very well (she previously did Victorian Cursive Script) and has progressed to level 21 reading. The main surprise for me was not having Callum reach level 12 so fast - it was to have Callum learn how to sit still! Thank you to their wonderful, caring teachers for bringing out the best in them:) All the children have been very friendly and welcoming to them while they have been here!

We've loved staying in Elliott Heads and it certainly has a lot of appeal, but if we end up choosing to live at the Sunshine Coast we have a lovely solution; we bring the caravan to Elliott Heads for school holidays! The kids and ourselves have made some lovely friends here who we can now visit again and again!"

THANKS P&C
We hope all our Mums had a lovely day last Sunday and were spoilt by their children. Many thanks to our P&C for all the hard work they did in getting lots of lovely gifts prepared. The P&C would like to thank the following people for their generous donations of gifts: Reem Marshall, Trudy Brack, Jackie Marra, Annette (Jackie's neighbour) Narelle Palfather (Mrs Brown's mum) and Leslie Gill. Some of these gifts were too large and expensive for a Mothers' Day stall, so these will be used to createaffle prizes, which will be raffled on sports day on 18th June.

CAN YOU HELP?
The P&C are desperately in need of a few extra people to help with Toastie Day from 9.00-11.00 a.m. next Wednesday morning. Please send in the Year Off Slip if you can help out.

LIFE EDUCATION VAN & HAROLD
Harold and the Life Education van will be here next week, on 21st and 22nd May. For those parents who do not know about the Life Education Program, Harold the giraffe and his partner Kathy Bayliss, teach students life skills, including healthy eating, looking after our bodies, abusive use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco. Lessons range from 1.5-2 hours per class. Information and payment envelopes have been given to each student. Please make sure these are returned by Wednesday next week. 2/3 and 4/5 will have their lessons on Wednesday and P1 and 5/6/7 will have their lessons on Thursday.

Harold has advised that the pencil cases on last week's product list are no longer available. He apologises for any disappointment!

SCHOOL JUMPERS-THANKS PARENTS
While there are still some coloured jumpers around, there are also a lot more navy blue jumpers. Some parents have been in to look at our second hand clothing, which is available quite cheaply. Many thanks to Tracy and Belinda who spent time this week sorting them out. Please see Tracy if you are looking for something and she'll help you out.

P&C PICKINGS
Next meeting: Wednesday, 21st May, at 9.30 a.m., in the library. All are most welcome to come along.
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FACEBOOK PAGE: Elliott Heads Parents and Staff
Please ask to join. It's a great way for us to keep in touch with you!

P&C TOASTIES DAY
Wednesday, 21st May, will be our next Food Day for this term. We will be offering a variety of Toasties. An order form is attached to this week's newsletter. Please return it by TUESDAY 25th May at the latest.

DISCO
Our first disco for the year is planned for Friday evening 23rd May from 5.30-7.30pm. An order for will come home soon, for food orders on the night. The Student Council will meet soon to set a theme for the night! Put the date on your calendar.

PIE DRIVE
Order forms for a Chics Pies pie drive will come home with next week's newsletter. Orders need to be returned to school, with money by Friday 13th June, so that orders can be placed and returned by the end of term. The expected delivery date for pies is Monday 23rd June.

2014 FUNDRAISING PLAN
- Mid Term 2: Pie Drive-Chick's Pies
- Early Term 3: Walkathon
- Mid Term 3: Dance Night Food Stall
- Late Term 3: Fathers' Day Stall
- Early Term 4: Family Portraits

IT'S A PYJAMA PARTY!
Our Student Council and P&C invite all students to a Pyjama Party Disco next Friday night! Dress will obviously be PJ's, dressing gowns and slippers/ugg boots. Food will be pizza, popcorn and drinks. An order form is attached to this newsletter.

The Disco will go from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Parents are welcome to attend, if you are dropping your children and collecting them later, please be on time. Thanks!

UNDER 8'S DAY 2014
COME PLAY THE PIRATE AND PRINCESS WAY
Thursday June 5th - June 9-11am
Inviting all students in Prep to Year 3, playgroup families and children under school age in the local community to join us for our annual Under 8's celebrations.

Come dressed as a princess or pirate and be ready to join in the fun. Enjoy a morning filled with fun play experiences including: movement to music, face painting, craft, obstacle course, slime, and other princess and pirate themed activities!

We will be having a picnic morning tea. The P&C will provide a Princess and Pirate cake to share and a sausage sizzle lunch free of charge to all Under 8s. Parents are welcome to help out with morning tea by bringing along a plate of pirate or princess themed food, cupcakes or iced biscuits to add to the fun of the day!

Please also bring a hat and water bottle and change of clothes in case you decided you don't want to remain in your costume all day. Looking forward to sharing the special day with you!

BUNDABERG CHORAL EISTEDDFOD NEWS
The adjudicator wrote a 'well disciplined ensemble of singers. Lovely dynamics explored with good soft singing. Clapping sticks worked well.' They were awarded a Highly Commended certificate. There were only two points separating all three choirs. Well done Elliott Heads, you should be very proud of yourselves.

CHAPPY'S NEWS
CHAPPY WEEK
Next week is Chappy Week. We will be celebrating on Thursday, May 22nd with crazy lunch time Chappy Challenges and a crazy hair day.
MAYORAL SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT BREAKFAST
Mrs Patterson, the school captains and I will all be attending the Mayor's School Chaplaincy Support breakfast next Tuesday morning. The school has purchased tickets for this event. Our chaplaincy service is very appreciative of our schools' support.

CHAPLAINCY RAFFLE
As part of the fundraising for chaplaincy there is a raffle - $2 a ticket. Chappy Kelli will be set up at a table with the tickets next Tuesday afternoon if you wish to purchase some or see Chappy at brekky club.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS: Assembly is held at 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Prep/1: Teale
Improvement across all literacy tasks and always giving his best

Year 2/3: Riley
Writing an amazing imaginative recount

Year 4/5: Jordan O
Greater application to class tasks

Year 5/6/7: Kailah
Great effort in her NAPLAN writing task

CLASSES OF THE WEEK

PE: Prep/1

Music: Prep/1

LOTE: Dylan G

PLAYGROUND AWARDS: Mia, Nien, Riley, Sahara

NEWSLETTER READER: Mia

ATTENDANCE AWARD: Caylan and Tameka know that Every Day Counts!

CLASS NEWS

PREP/ONE
This week we have studied the story Handa’s Surprise focusing on the illustrations and visual information. We practiced recalling the sequence of events, identified repetition in the text and communicated our personal responses about the story. Next week we will be conducting the assessment task for Unit 2: Exploring how a story works.

In Maths we are working on addition and subtraction concepts and have enjoyed working with hands on resources to consolidate these skills. We have introduced addition facts to Yr 1 students as well as count on 1, count on 2, doubles and adding 0 and these should be practiced at home also to allow memorising and quick recall.

In Geography we have enjoyed identifying features of our school, drawing pictorial maps and discussing my place in space at local, regional, national and global levels.

KATH & DENISE

WHAT'S THE SCOOP FROM YEAR 2/3?
In English this week, we are finishing our novel and are preparing for our assessment task, to write an imaginative narrative. I can't wait to read about the surprises in store for our book characters.

In Maths, the Year 2s are getting into the world of fractions. They have drawn and cut up halves, quarters and eights of a shape. We are also exploring how fractions look when we share a pizza or ice-creams. The Year 3s are revisiting fractions and extending their knowledge of which is the bigger fraction. It was fantastic to see how much they remembered from last year.

In science, we are still exploring life stages. This week we looked at animals that look different from their young. In particular the butterfly life stages and how it goes through many changes over its life. The seeds we planted last week have grown into seedlings. They will be marigolds before we know it.

In Geography we have completed our assessment with the planning of our own towns. We have now starting to map and give directions to find a treasure.

A big congratulation to the year 3, 5, 7 students for completing the NAPLAN tests. You should be very proud of yourselves for putting in all of your effort.

THE BUZZ FROM YEAR 4/5
I must start by saying a big congratulations to the Year 5s. They all worked very hard to complete the NAPLAN tests this week. Well done guys.

In other news, we have continued to work hard in all subject areas. In Maths we have started looking at collecting and representing data.

In English we are completing our persuasive pieces on fruit bats and in Science we are preparing to test the effects of temperature on the growth of plants.

Thankyou to our parents who has been assisting us with reading groups in the mornings. We now have a whiteboard on our fridge where you can write you name on the days you can help, or just jot your name down in the morning if you decide to stay and help. This will help us to more efficiently use this time.

KELLY

HOT GOSS from YEAR 5/6/7
Congratulations to Grades 5 and 7 for their great efforts with NAPLAN this week, but also to the Grade 6s who have also had to cope with quite a few changes in their routine to accommodate the tests. It has been much appreciated and I expect we will be glad to get back to "normal" next week!

In English we are preparing to write an imaginative recount based on one of the events described in our English text, "Black Snake: The Daring of Ned Kelly". I'm looking forward to seeing how inventive our students can be in their recount of these events.

In Maths, Grade 7 has been working on BOM/DAS (The order of operations; Brackets first then follow the Order: Multiplication and Division from left to right, then Addition and Subtraction from left to right). We have also been looking at finding the highest common factor (HCF) in a set of numbers. In Grade 6 we have been looking at calculating volume, Rotational Symmetry and subtracting decimals.

Grade 5 have been looking at polygons, multiplication strategies and short multiplication. It would be helpful if Grade 5s could do tables practice on Mathletics at home (Level 4 live Mathletics).

In History, Geography and Science, students are continuing to put the finishing touches to assessment tasks.

TEENY & LIZ

COMMUNITY NEWS:

BUNDABERG CAREERS EXPO will be held on Tuesday 27th May at the Civic Centre, from 4:00-6:00pm. Entry is Free. All parents, students and the general public are welcome.

UNDER 18'S FUNDRAISER DISCO
Sponsored by THE MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION & MINI MES DISCOS' BUNDABERG, QUEENSLAND 4670
13th June 5-6:30pm for Prep to Grade 7 and 7-10pm for high school students with student IDs. Entry will be $4.00 per student. Parents are welcome to stay and a donation would be appreciated as all funds go to the make-a-wish foundation prizes to be given away on the night.

RJ Young hall Kepnock High School

Once you have entered the hall you will not be allowed out during the disco unless being picked up by a parent or legal guardian or at the completion of the event.

GOT A CHILD GOING TO KEPNOCK SHS NEXT YEAR?
Here is a link to their latest newsletter. Check out what happens at your child's high school. Copy the link into your browser.

TEAR OFF SLIP: TOASTIE DAY HELP
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