

KAWUNGAN COURIER

Helping Each Other Achieve Excellence

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KEEPING IN TOUCH

Book Week

There were plenty of smiles and laughs during our book week dress up day held on Friday the 24th of August. Students, staff and parents got into the spirit of the day and embraced the opportunity to dress up based on the theme "Find your Treasure". A huge thank you to Mrs Palmer and the library staff for creating a wonderful week of activities for students of all ages to engage in books.



Opti Minds

A number of our older students competed in Opti Minds in Bundaberg recently. Opti Minds is a competition that empowers participants to think, create and communicate by solving challenging, open ended problems in a team environment. Well done to the Kawungan students who participated in Opti Minds and a huge thank you to the staff (Mrs Burke, Ms Stewart, Ms Hopkinson and Mrs Hoyes) who donated their time to support the students on the day.

P&C Father's Day Staff

I hope all the fathers had a relaxing day last Sunday and were thoroughly spoilt by their children. No doubt many of the gifts received by Dads on Sunday were bought from the P&C Father's Day stall held in the library last week. A huge thank you to everyone who supported the stall. Thanks to your support, virtually all gifts were sold and more valuable funds raised for air conditioning. Another great initiative undertaken by the amazing volunteers that make up our P&C!

Wide Bay Athletics

Last Wednesday a number of our students competed at the Wide Bay Athletics Carnival held in Gympie. Congratulations to all students on reaching this level of competition.

Mark Jones
Principal

P & C NEWS

The Kawungan Lunchbox



"Helping each other to achieve healthiness"

Open Tuesday – Friday
EFTPOS available.

The Uniform Shop

Open Monday and Friday 8:30 - 9:30am and
Wednesday 2:30 - 3:30pm.
EFTPOS available.

Parent Cafe

Pop in for a complimentary cuppa and some company at The Uniform Shop each Friday 9-10am. Grab a friend or come and make some new ones. Children under school age are welcome.

Father's Day Fun

Thank you everyone who purchased from our Father's Day stall. It was our most successful one so far and we made just over \$3000. Thank you to family and staff that donated sweets and items and a huge thank you to the wonderful volunteers that put it all together to make it possible. A special shout out to the children and adults that thanked us for our efforts, we really appreciated your kind words and support ♥ We hope your Sunday was a day filled with family, friends and love!

Pie Drive on Now

Don't forget to get your orders in by Wednesday 19th September so you don't miss out on the yummy pies we have on offer. Pies/slices will be available for pick up from The Uniform Shop from 2pm on Thursday 11th October. We are hoping this fundraiser will be another big one to help get the rest of our classrooms air conditioned. Don't forget to bring your own bags when collecting your order. Extra forms available from The Uniform Shop and office.

Next P&C Meeting

Join us on Monday 10th September at 6.30pm in the library for a cuppa and conversation about everything going on around our beautiful school. All welcome.

Save The Date!

School disco Friday 2nd November

SCHOOL NEWS

Principal Awards

"Being an Enthusiastic Learner"

P/1M	Indie, Paige
1/2S	Jasmine
1K	Alysha, Robbie
1A	Olivia, Noah
1W	Rhylie, Zoey
1U	Mila, Bentley
2K	Cameron, Taonna
2A	Mariska, Jett
2W	Grace, Brandan
2U	Trinity, Lucas
2N	Ava, Saskia
2G	Claire, Cooper
3K	Riley, Keira
3A	Yasmin, Kaiden
3W	Daniel, Charlotte
3U	Kayle, Ty
3N	Chelsea, Cheyenna
4K	Tony, Shannah
4A	Zayda, Tyler
4W	Ava, Ruby
4U	Monique, Grace
4N	Ricea, Rosie
4/5M	Connor, Haylie
5K	Jayden, Hollie
5A	Ziggy, Deacon
5W	Ethan, Summer
5U	Leigh, Max
5N	Claire, Joshua
6K	Alyssa, Ava
6A	Nikita, Chloe
6W	Hugh, Montana
6U	Darcy, Ellie
6N	James, Keith
5/6S	Malakai, Ryan

1K and 1A News

This month all year one classes were fortunate to attend the QLD Fire Safety Education incursions conducted by Torquay Fire & Emergency Services. The officers: Luke, Brendon, Mark, Jeffrey and Tim were very patient and knowledgeable in their delivery about topics such as:

- The roles of firefighters
- How to stay fire safe,
- What to do in an emergency
- Have a family meeting place
- Importance of knowing your address.

Three highlights of the two sessions were:

1. Learning about firefighters uniform and tool requirements, especially for young children not to be afraid when staff approach you with their oxygen apparatus in operations ie Staff sound like *Darth Vada* from Stars Wars
2. Viewing the components of a fire truck up close
3. Having a turn with the fire hose to feel the full strength of the water pressure

1K and 1A on behalf of year one, would like to say thank you for these great opportunities. We would encourage families to discuss with their children how to keep fire safe by visiting qfes.qld.gov.au. This easy to navigate website can help you and your child to make an escape plan for their respective homes.

"You may have as little as 15 seconds to escape".

Mrs Humphries and Mrs McGucken



Koala Joeys playgroup

It was a very busy week at playgroup last week. It is nice to see some future preps attending playgroup and meeting other children that they will be attending school with in 2019. Playgroup is open for anyone with children between the ages of 0-4 years.

I can play

While the cooler months are on it is nice to see students getting out and being active. This term the students can participate in hockey, tennis and basketball. We meet at 3pm on the oval on a Wednesday until 4pm. It is open for all Prep - Year 6 students.

BOOK WEEK AWARD WINNERS

Best Costume

- P-2 Mason 2N – Swagman
- 3-5 Madison 4/5M – Pirate Ship

Most Creative Costume

- P-2 Jack 1U – Astronaut
- 3-5 Ellisa 5U – Rainbow Fish

Best Group Costume

- Family Tree – Serenity and Shakirra 4K

Best Staff Costume

- Mrs Bradford

Special Mention Students

- Xavier 1A – Sheep
- Liam 5U – Scrooge McDuck

Special Mention Staff

- Mrs Jabs and Mrs Pugh – I Spy

Year 6 Spirit Awards

- Katie and Phoebe

Class Door Competition

- 4U

CURRICULUM CORNER

The Value of Reading

Reading rewrites the world. It also makes it more likely you can shape that world - not only via the basic benefits of literacy, but also through compassion, imagination, creativity and knowledge.

We know that children want to read. So, how do we get them there?

The research tells us:

- When a young child gets excited about a topic or a story, they can read four or five books in a single day. An older reader can read several books in a week when they find a character or a plot or a fact that connects to their life and expands their world.
- When children have books at home, they do better in school. Having books in the home is more important than parents' education levels as a marker for success in school.
- When children read widely and often, they develop higher-order thinking skills, and also develop a love for reading and learning.

We all know that reading to our children is important. But did you know that toddlers and pre-schoolers who are read to every day have many advantages and benefits. Not only does reading enhance a child's vocabulary, and to help them understand how to read and write, but reading aloud to children also helps them to understand different topics about the world and every day life.

The importance of reading cannot be emphasised enough in young children.

PE NEWS

Below are the significant dates for sports and HBDS this term.

11/09	Year 6 Basketball Day HBSH
14/09	Yr 4 Gala Day
21/09	Year 5/6 Gala Day

Athletics

Well done to our Kawungan students who competed at the Wide Bay Carnival in Gympie, it was a tough day of competition with our students putting in a lot of effort. Congratulations to Tyrell B who made the Wide Bay team!

Gala days

Training sessions are in full swing for Year 4 and Years 5 and 6 upcoming gala days. These gala days are a great opportunity for our students to try a sport they have never played before and learn some new skills.

Sports on offer for Year 4:

- Netball, Oz Tag, soccer, AFL

Sports on offer for Years 5/6:

- Basketball, Newcombe, Oz Tag, T-ball, cricket

Swimming Block – Term 4, Weeks 2-5

Swimming notes for Years 1,3,4,5 and 6 have been sent home this week. Payment and permission are due back by Wednesday 19th September (the last Wednesday of this term). Our school swimming carnival is on Friday 16th November which includes students in Years 4,5 and 6 and some nine year old Year 3's who can swim 50m.

CHAPPY NEWS



This year seems to be just flying by. It's almost the end of term three! Wow. So now it's time to start packing those shoe boxes for Christmas. I have promoted this project in assembly and some classes have chosen to take this on as a project. Thank you so much. If you would like to do it as a family or an individual please contact me for further information.



Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's project. My room is M8.



I know the holiday is still a few weeks away but registration for **Maryborough Madness** is now open. This is a camp run by SU for Years 5&6 at the Aldershot Scout grounds. This is always loads of fun and worth every cent. For more details see me or go to sucamps.org.au.

I trust that all the dad's had an awesome Father's Day.

Have a great week
Chappy M

COMMUNITY NEWS

Kawungan School Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)



At Helping Hands we are growing in numbers and we want your children to come and join in the fun. We run before and after school programs as well as catering for vacation care and pupil free days. You don't have to use us all the time. If you are running late from work, held up at an appointment or for any other reason a quick text is all it takes to have your children in the session you need. We also take bookings for children on regular days. We also cater for shift workers whose shifts change every week. We provide breakfast and afternoon tea every day. We have a variety of activities available on a daily basis including art, construction and ball games. To find out more please come and see us or email kawungan@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au. Hope to see you here. Phone: 0429 836 879.

Hervey Bay Oztag Senior & Junior Summer Season Sign On

OZTAG is a **non-tackling game** with limited contact and the rules are designed to encourage this. Passing, catching, tagging, evasive running and kicking are the skills utilised in OZTAG.

Season Information

When: Senior Summer season starts Wednesday 12th Sep. and Thursday 13th September. Juniors start Wednesday 19th Sep and Thursday 20th September

Who: Senior Men, Mixed and Ladies divisions for teams and individuals and juniors from 5 - 15 .If you don't have a team, we will find an appropriate one for you!



Sign on: You can sign up and get all of the info online via the link on our webpage

www.herveybayoztag.com on the sign on pages.

Info: www.herveybayoztag.com or call Glenn on 0414893840 or email herveybay@oztag.com

Come and join one of the fastest growing sports in Qld, 150 000 registered Australian players can't be wrong!

"GET TAGGED, YOU'LL LOVE IT

