Bunko Night – Everyone who attended Bunko Night had a great time. Nathan Pukallus & Jackson Griffiths were the winners; Lara Ruhle & Tahnee Von Hoff came in last, while Gemma Cronin won the prize for the most Bunkos. If you’d like a fun family time and haven’t been yet, come along to the next one when it’s held. Thank you to Dawn Schelberg for organising and running this event.

Gala night will be held next Thursday, so if we can get a few parents to help serve food and drinks on the night, it will be appreciated.

Sports day will also be coming up so parent help with cooking sausages on the barbeque and selling food items on the day will also be appreciated.

The P&C will be catering for another clearing sale on the 15th of June for Garry & Wendy Pannach, on their property 5kms from school on Cronin Road. This won’t be a huge sale and the food will be kept simple with a sausage sizzle, tea/coffee, softdrink and homebake, but it will help our fundraising.

Dear Parents,

Principal’s Report

This week we have been doing Professional Development to ensure high quality reading lessons. This has involved using the explicit instruction format. In particular we have been developing our “Warm Up” skills. This involves drills, chants, rapid questions or using an interactive whiteboard and is based on the things that have already been taught in class. For example, the prep students are drilled with initial sounds, diagraphs, blends and their magic words. The 3/4 and 5/6/7 classes are currently being drilled on the essential elements of short stories. The idea of doing this is to ensure information is retained and becomes part of a student’s long term memory.

“Warm Ups” are also an excellent way to monitor student understanding. Research indicates that teachers develop their skills best from working collaboratively as a team where colleagues model best practice and provide feedback on the lessons of others. Teachers watching other teachers and assisting each other will now be a strong feature of the Professional Development of staff at Mount Tyson.

Teachers have just commenced writing student reports. These will be issued during week 10 of this term. These will be standards based reports where teachers make judgements on the quality of a student’s work in relation to other students in Australia. The judgements made are based on an extensive range of assessment data. It is also important to note the ‘effort’ grades that are issued. These reflect behaviour and attitude and I often tell students that people with a positive attitude will go a long way.

Teachers will be available to have parent teacher interviews after these reports. This is another part of our reporting process and our aim is that all parents and carers have a full understanding of their child’s academic progress.

Finally, I recommend your attendance at our Gala Evening on Thursday 6 June. This is an opportunity for our students to showcase some of their best work and is also a great family evening.

Michael Routledge
Principal

School Diary

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Principals Award

Shanane Schelberg, Amy Sturgess

Congratulations to all of these students for great work!

School Performance Group—titled “From Halfway Around the World” - Thurs 6 June

We are booked in for this final performance to be held at Biddleston Hall on Thurs. 6 June starting at 10.00am. We will be leaving the school at 9.20am and returning by around 11.15am.

Cost will be $8.00 per student (covers bus & admission) This performance titled, From Halfway Around the World looks at the vast differences in the day to day life of children around the world. These glimpses of life in first and second world countries are contrasted by a true story of one child and their family’s treacherous almost fatal journeys across the globe, from their third world home. This modern day experience is paralleled with the traditional fairy tale Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Both Snow White and the Afghani family had to flee from their home and seek the charity of others.

Sydney/Canberra Trip— Term 3 for Years 5-7

The proposed dates for this camp is 15-21 Sept. Bookings are being finalised and the Expression of Interest forms that were sent home last week need to be returned by tomorrow 31st May. Attached is an account for the deposit for this camp. Please contact Mr Routledge / Mrs Spackman if you wish to arrange a payment plan. We are only to happy to help parents with this if needed.

GALA EVENING—Thurs 6 June

We will be holding a Gala Evening on Thursday 6 June at the school. This is a great chance for students to showcase their work for their parent’s to see what they have been learning this term.

Format of the evening will be:
- 5.30pm Open classrooms
- 6.00pm Choir (with Mrs Wheeldon)
- 6.30pm BBQ Tea (P&C Assn)

Sausage on Bread $2.00
Kebab $2.00
Soft drinks $1.50

We look forward to seeing you all ....

Mt Tyson House Sports Day

This year our Fletcher/Russell Sports Day will be held on Thursday 13 June on the school oval. Our sporting teams of Fletcher & Russell will compete against each other for the Winning House trophy.

It has been decided that the Project Club will run a stall for morning tea where they will be selling cupcakes @ 50c each and small packs of chips @ 50c each. If you would like to help them by cooking ‘cupcakes’ or providing small pkts of chips it would be very much appreciated.

Lunch:
The P&C Assn will be selling a “Sausage Sizzle” lunch at a cost of:
- Sausage on bread $2.00
- Poppas $1.00
- Soft Drinks $1.50

A format of event times will be sent home closer to the date.

Concert of Indian Puppetry, Song & Dance—Thurs 6 June

A small group from the Helping Hands School in Jaipur, India—a faith based organisation will visit our school around 1.45pm to put on a concert for our children. (approx 1 hour duration) It will involve Indian puppetry, song and dance and it may contain some religious content. A small donation of $1.00/child is asked. A permission note will be sent home closer to the date. Parents are welcome to attend this concert.

Biggest Morning Tea Success:

A big Thanks to The P&C, the Students involved, the Staff and Amy Paton (school chaplain), who helped make the Project Club, the Students involved, the Staff and Amy Paton (school chaplain), who helped make the Cancer Council’s Biggest Morning Tea possible. The kids did a wonderful job with the patty cakes, and the morning tea looked lovely and tasted delicious. Over $300 was raised to donate to the Cancer Council. The choir performance by the students was entertaining and overseen by music teacher Beth Wheeldon. Well done!

Rossvale Ball Games-date claimer Wed. 19th June at Bridgeman Oval, Pittsworth

All students Prep-Year 7 will be involved in these ball games competing against the other Rossvale schools. These games will run from 12noon—2pm. Parents will be required to transport their own children for this afternoon of sport.

NO TUCKSHOP—due to these sports afternoon there will be NO tuckshop on this day : Wednesday 19 June.

P&C NEWS

At our next P&C meeting, we will be having two representatives from P&C QLD attend. (Darling Downs Co-ordinator, Elaine McDonnell & P&C QLD State Director, David Lloyd) They will be happy to discuss P&C operations with us and answer any questions you may have regarding the P&C.

Please contact myself or P&C Secretary, Claudia (Ph: 4693 8556/0408 231 577) with any questions or subjects you’d like discussed, as I will forward these on so your queries can be answered on the night.

We’d love to see you at the next meeting so you can be involved in our P&C Association’s decision-making. You do make a difference, the more input with P&C decision-making, the better! I hope to see you there.

Cathy Cronin
P&C President (Ph: 4693 7228 or 0478 605 269)

Also contact the above if you have any items you’d like to put on the Agenda for next month’s meeting.

We’ve had a fantastic response from parents wishing to help out with the Clearing Sale Catering this Saturday, by way of donations, homebake, and giving their time. Thank you for this and hopefully we’ll raise a lot of money for the P&C to help with school excursion costs and other things for our children this year.

Bookfair was successful with over $1100 worth of books being sold. Thank you to all parents who helped out during the week and to Jo Sturgess who coordinated Bookfair. Well done to all the students who entered the Bookfair colouring-in competition and congratulations to the winners!

Wanted: Volunteers to help with Grant Writing. We need parents wanting to volunteer their time and expertise sourcing grants. Applying for a grant may be the best way to get things such as new playground equipment for our children. Please call P&C Secretary, Claudia, if you are interested.

Thank you to parents providing homebake for tuckshop. It is still popular with our children.

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