Dear friends,

What a fantastic last week to wrap up our first term of 2014! That went fast, we must be having some fun! Cross Country allowed everyone to put their best foot forward and many of our students have performed really well and will represent at the next level in Gayndah for North Burnett!

Well done to all who participated and tried their best! Thank you to all the P&Cs, parents, families, staff and naturally the students for an awesome day out!

We have been busy finalising assessment and testing as well as preparing for Parent Teacher Interviews in Week 1 and 2 of next term, we look forward to discussing your child’s, our students, progress and development.

The first week back at school also contains ANZAC Day and its respective Public Holiday on the Friday. Please note, as a school we march in Biggenden at the ceremony on the Friday in formal school uniform. Further information and times will...
The students may have mentioned our recent fire and lockdown drills. Living and working on a highway has unique challenges for safety and security. Please note our quarterly practises are to ensure all staff, students, especially our newest and youngest have clear and quick responses to emergency scenarios.

For your information the fire drill meeting place is the cricket pitch and is sounded by continuous ringing of the school bell.

The lockdown drill is sounded by continuous blowing of a whistle that are labelled and located in all buildings and classrooms.

There are also protocols for missing students or snakes should those emergencies ever arise, for your peace of mind.

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please call School Watch on 13 17 88.

The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education, Training and Employment, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter. Keep the number handy—13 17 88—and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

Please note the Easter Bunny has exemptions to visit certain locations!

A for Attendance - Whole School attendance rate for term 1 is greater than 98% - well done everyone!

To all the staff, students, families and friends of Coalstoun Lakes SS, have a safe, revitalising and relaxing holiday with your family and friends. See you back on Tuesday after Easter Monday all refreshed, to do it all again!

‘Integrity and Industry’

Benjamin Reed
Principal - breed15@eq.edu.au
Explicit Improvement Agenda

Literacy and Numeracy Aims - All students to be above the National Average in NAPLAN and improving at a rate greater than the nation. Increase percentage of students achieving in the Upper 2 Bands to greater than 50%.

Australian Curriculum Aims - All students achieving C+ or better in English, Mathematics and Science and making Adequate Yearly Progress or Value Adding in achievement.

Current Permission Information

Term 2

Bush Poetry Workshop at Biggenden SS - TBC

Positive Behaviour Focus

In the month of March we are ‘Team Players’

- Co-operate and work well with others
- Appreciate other points of view
- Get along well with different people
- Value all contributions

Student of the Week Awards

Our weekly Friday Assembly Student of the Week Awards recognise many positive student achievements and can be nominated from any of our staff for many reasons – personal learning goal improvements, outstanding achievement, demonstrating leadership, or an attribute that exemplifies our motto through compassionate and thoughtful acts that embody - Integrity and Industry.

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P-4 - Brie-Ann Liddle - Brie-Ann is a cheerful and friendly member of our class. She completes her homework tasks consistently each night and has achieve some great spelling results. Well done!

5-7 - Ryan Gibbs - Ryan has been working really hard in both his schooling and sporting pursuits. He has demonstrated mastery of recent mathematical concepts and has achieving in his chosen sports. He is a great friend and leader to all and embodies ‘Integrity and Industry’ - Congratulations!

Congratulations to our Class Student’s of the Week!
Positive Behaviour Award - Team Player March - Jeremy Corfield

Jeremy is a great student leader and is a great mate to have in sports and games as he gives his best at all times. He is also developing his leadership skills through his role as Project Club President and learning how to get everyone to work together for a united purpose!

In The Classroom

P-4

Have a safe and happy holiday from all the staff and students of Coalstoun Lakes SS!

Mrs Gibbs - ngibb10@eq.edu.au

5-7

To all the students and families of our class, thank you for a wonderful term packed full of continued existing routines and new experiences and learning. We have exciting plans for Term 2 and continue to ensure we keep our students at the forefront of all our school and classroom decision making. This week students have been finalising some assessment pieces and undertaking end of term formative and diagnostic testing. Some optional homework contracts to keep the students busy are enclosed for the holiday period!

We wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday with family and friends and we look forward to a welcome return in 2 weeks! Please note the first Friday of Term 2 Week 1 is ANZAC Day Public Holiday and we will be marching in Biggenden as a school group so please note this on your calendar. Thank you Mr Morrees our 6/7 online LOTE Teacher will also visit for a face to face lesson on the first Thursday back!

Mr Reed - breed15@eq.edu.au

Kid's Corner

This week in kid's corner we've added a new segment for more fun. Every week in kid's corner there will be a new hilarious joke. If you wish to earn a refreshing prize you have to come to Claire, Rianna or Paula and write down on paper what the rest of the joke would be. If you have any questions feel free to ask Claire, Rianna or Paula in free school times.

This week's Joke Is:

Knock Knock!

Who's there?

Ya

Ya who?
(Editor note from Mr Reed - try the veal they are here all week!)

Good Luck and Have fun!

Paula, Claire and Rianna

_Every Day Counts_

As we reach the end of Term 1, parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school every day. Being at school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year.

Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year.


_Company Information_

BIGGENDEN SHOW SOCIETY GALA

Saturday 5th April

Please see flyer!!

A night to celebrate our community and recognise our youth through the Miss Showgirl Qld Rural Ambassador Awards!

Biggenden Show Hall

Doors Open - 7pm Start 7:30pm

Dress - Semi-formal

Cost - $25 per person pre-purchase

TICKETS ON SALE NOW - Purchase from Burnett Livestock & Realty or online at [www.biggendenshow.com](http://www.biggendenshow.com)

GAYNDAH KINDERGARTEN WINERY BUS TRIP FUNDRAISER

Fundraising for a new outdoor obstacle course for the kindy.

Saturday 3rd May, $55/person includes bus & lunch.
Please pay your money to either Jaimie Roth or Laura Parr by Friday 25th April to secure your seat.

For more information please ring either Jaimie (ph: 0400 292 850) or Laura (ph: 0428 729 397).

Thanks in advance!