Dear families and friends,

Splendid science in Biggenden was a great excursion and we thank the Biggenden teachers for organising the event, as well as all the Coalstoun Lakes, Dallarnil and Biggenden staff who made it a great day of Science and Sport.

Text Books, Stationery Packs and Book Lists 2015

Throughout next week the $65 paid for every continuing student, as part of the Book Pack contribution, will see your child bring home their stationery consumables for your personal covering, labelling and naming over the holidays. Text and student workbooks are kept at school, labelled and given on the first day of Term 1 2015.

We encourage you to send all the spare consumables from your book pack and book lists as we keep them labelled and separate throughout the year, so your child can always access their own new pencils, erasers and glue etc.
Report Cards

Semester 2 2014 Report Cards will be issued on Wednesday and sent to those families who require additional copies for High School or personal circumstances, thank you.

P&C Meeting

This week we held our final P&C Meeting for this year and scheduled the Working Bee Saturday morning and arranged the date for the AGM and first meeting next year. I thank the P&C Executive and all members for their guidance, advice, collegiality and support throughout the year.

I thank Geoff Corfield, our long term Vice President of the P&C for his years of service and support to the school, staff, students, parents, families and friends of the community. Whilst Geoff will always be called on to do jobs for the school and he will always be around, he can’t escape that easily, it is time with the graduation of his final son from CLSS to step away formally and move to the next chapter for his family. Thanks Geoff, all your support over the years is much appreciated!

Last Days of Year

Throughout the last week we will continue our spelling, reading and sight words homework - no contracts. We will continue our Project Unify and LOTE lessons right up until Friday. It will be a fun week though as we have Christmas activities scheduled on Wednesday and Thursday and on Friday we will have a BBQ and our P&C President Neil will give all the students their gifts from the P&C, as well as staff have contributed together, to provide a gift for every child, which we hope they will enjoy, especially our graduates. We appreciate your continued support right up until the last days of school.

We keep enjoying school with a variety of activities but attendance is always important and remember our extraordinary goal of no student below 90% for the year, and 97% School wide attendance - we are still on track!

‘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.

Mastery of the Explicit Instruction pedagogical methodology for all teachers in every classroom.

Current Permission Information

Term 1 2015

Positive Behaviour Focus

In the month of November we review all our Values of Great People!

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.

Term 4 - Week 9 - 2014

P-4 - Well done to all students!

5-7 - Well done to all students!

Positive Behaviour Award - Value of the Month - November - Review of all Characteristics...

In The Classroom

P-4

Reporting in progress!

Mrs Gibbs - ngibb10@eq.edu.au

5-7

Congratulations - Claire Thompson

participated in the Special Event Author Chat with Sarah Mounsey and has won, for your school library, a signed copy of one of Sarah’s picture books.

Sarah was impressed with the creative idea Claire came up with during the Brainshare for inspiration!
Well done Claire - congratulations!

Ryan also featured in the local rag recently continuing his pride surrounding winning the Eaton Giles Annual trophy.

We all had a great time at the Biggenden Splendid Science and Sport on Wednesday!

Mr Reed - breed15@eq.edu.au

Kid’s Corner

Welcome to Kid’s Corner!

This week the whole school had a day at Biggenden State School to play some sports, see some science, interact with other kids from Dallarnil and Biggenden, and made some slime (Hopefully it didn’t make a large mess!).

All the students thoroughly enjoyed going and hope that the other schools enjoyed it too.

Next Week:

1. LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL! YAY
2. Christmas Gifts YAY

So many exciting things happening on the last week!

Have a SAFE and HAPPY Christmas with your family.

Thanks for reading Kid’s Corner!

Community Information

Please send community information for the newsletter to admin@coallakess.eq.edu.au

In the event of a natural disaster - Access to school closure information

1. QSchools app

The QSchools app will provide up-to-date information about school closures, in the event of a natural disaster causing damage to the school or preventing access to the school.

Visit the department’s apps page for more information and all the features: http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/

The QSchools app is available for free download through iTunes, Google Play and the Windows store.

2. Websites

Up-to-date information about school closures can be accessed on the following websites.

School Closure Website: http://esc.eq.edu.au