Dear families and friends,

I would like to thank the students, staff, families and community for their warm welcome, back to Coalstoun Lakes. It has been a pleasure to see everyone again and know that a third of the school is now young Prep students, happy to attend and ready to learn everyday in a safe and supportive classroom environment, here in our small school.

Thank you

I wish to express my sincere gratitude to Mrs Gibbs and Mr Frost for their respective strategic visions and leadership, to ensure our school continues along the path to continuous student and school improvement and achievement.

Student Leadership

It has been great to see our student leaders at work and in the P-6 Teaching Principal school, our student leaders fill an integral role in the classroom, school and community. I
congratulate Amy on her Captaincy and also Ruby on her Vice Captain role and duties. Likewise the Project Club is an important and enjoyable part of the program for all students.

Performances

We had a great time at the recent Masks, Emotions and Characters workshop and we welcome next week, the Crack-Up Sisters, for another performance at the school!

‘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.

Improve writing for all students, through consolidation of student friendly marking guides and explicit teaching of the ten elements of successful pieces of writing and literature.

Current Permission Information

Term 1 2016

- Swimming Program - complete

Positive Behaviour Focus

In the month of MARCH we are - BALANCED

- Look after themselves
- Use time well
- Reflect on their learning
- Have a range of interests (physical, creative, spiritual, intellectual)
**Student of the Week Awards**

On our weekly Assembly, we present our Student of the Week Award, which recognises 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 1 - Week 6 - 2016

P-6 - Brie-Ann and Melita - Students of the Week!

Term 1 - Week 7 - 2016

P-6 - Bronte, Caden, Drew, Leah and Mitchell - Great work to all our youngest students - Prep 2016!

Positive Behaviour Award - Value of the Month - FEBRUARY - TEAM PLAYER - Mathaniel!

**In The Classroom**

P-6

The students welcomed me back and I extend my thanks to them for ensuring they put their best foot forward in their recent assessments. An important part of ‘Knowing our Students and Knowing their Data’ is that we understand student achievement levels, their anticipated and aspirational rates of improvement, alongside the targets and goals to get there. This can be closely monitored when students demonstrate their learning in the classroom and in diagnostic assessment such as recent PAT and NAPLAN resits for planning.

Mr Reed - breed15@eq.edu.au

**Kid’s Corner**

Welcome to Kid’s Corner!

Coming soon!

by Melita and Georgia
**Community Information**

Community fliers are scanned and emailed to families, once per week, from the Administration Office.

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

LITTLE ATHLETICS

Interested in Little Athletics

Come and Try – a short 8 week programme designed to get the kids moving whilst teaching basic skills in a fun, play based way.

Where: Biggenden School

When: starting Friday 4th March

Time: 4:30pm to 5:30pm

Contact Robbie Radel 41271774

SOCCER IN GAYNDAH

Starting after Easter school holidays

Training Thursday 4-5pm Gayndah sports ground

For all junior players 5yrs old up to high school students

Only $25 for the season

Also seeking parents interested in helping with coaching

For more information phone Laine Collins 0428931151

BIGGENDEN AND DISTRICT PONY CLUB

Come and Try / Sign On / AGM

Friday 18 March

6pm

At the Pony Club Grounds

Stay for a Sausage Sizzle

Roz - 0418 625 021 or Kirsten - 0448 841 351
GAYNDAH & DISTRICT NETBALL 2016

Junior Sign on and Come & Try Days

For Girls Aged 5-15yrs and Boys Aged 5-12yrs

Net Set Go ages 5-10 yrs : Monday 14th March from 4pm to 5pm at the Gayndah State School courts

Juniors ages 11-15yrs : Thursday 17th March from 4pm – 5pm at the YMCA

2016 Dates to Remember
- Central Burnett Challenge Carnivals:
  Monto 15th May
  Mundubbera 24TH July
  Gayndah 4th September

Regional Carnivals
- 1ST Bundaberg 29th May
- 2nd Gayndah 22st August

Netball Day Camps
to be held at Gayndah State School courts
from 10am to 3pm

- 20th March 11-15yrs {Regional Tryouts}
- 17th April 7-10yrs
- 22nd May 11-15yrs{Regional training}
- 12th June 11-15yrs{Regional training}
- 17th July 11-15yrs {Regional training}

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JUNIOR KIDS FISHING DAY

On behalf of Sunfish Queensland and Department of Fisheries, the Biggenden Fishing Club will be hosting this day on Saturday 9th April 2016 to be held at Paradise Dam.

We are looking for 25 boys & girls aged between 7 to 13, who are interested in learning the basic fundamentals of recreational fishing and the environment.

We will be taking registrations up to the 4th April 2016.

Children will be put on a waiting list when 25 registrations have been received.

Interested children can register by phone or email to:

John or Ruth

Phone: 4127 7252

Email: jnrrok@gmail.com