Principal’s Message:

Thank You
It is always enjoyable to start the newsletter with a vote of appreciation. This week I have held over the thanks for all of those that support the P&C working bee. The new softball net looks fantastic and the grounds are all the better looking for it. The cleaned out garden beds, make for a spectacular entrance to the school. The students are motivated to keep the great work going and have continued on the gardens, by transplanting Agaves. Mrs Mears has been thinning the clump near the amenities block and the students have moved them up near the house garden. Great job all, and very much appreciated efforts from the working be.

Softball Carnival
Softball carnival is still on, and no predication of rain as yet? Don’t forget to get in your tuckshop orders and volunteer on the day if you can.

Swimming Carnival
We were to have a swimming carnival in the last week of the term. Competing against the other small schools. It has been discussed that this time is not the most advantaged, and that a Term 4 date be developed. The thinking behind this change is to better suit the hectic nature of the school year, and the times from the carnival can be used to place students’ for the Bunya swimming trials. Early in the next year. Rather than trying to race these at the start of Term 1. When a new date is set I will add this information to the school calendar.

School Focus Behaviour Visit
This week we have had the annual assessment on the progress of the Positive Behaviour for learning program. This is an ongoing process and will continue for many years. The school has started the implementation phase and as such have already found that we need to modify things trialled in 2015. We are also looking at our rewards program and linking awards to student behaviour. By this I am referring to our three Be’s. Students are rewarding for Being Safe, Respectful and a Learner. Not just being good. The purpose is to make the process more focused on specific behaviours that we all learn as we grow. In addition to this the teaching staff have been focusing on redesigning the series of lessons that accompany the behaviour matrix. What lessons can we teach that highlights the behaviours that will positively impact a student’s learning and interactions in school. As mentioned before PB4L is an ongoing process, that continually evolves based on the needs of the school, the focus is the positive and teaching students how to behave.

Michael Sutton.
COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Bismarck to Maclagan
100 years celebration
10th September 2016

BOOK CLUB:

Thanks to those who ordered from the last Book Club. Issue 2 was sent home last week and is due back 07.03.2016. All book orders can be left at the school office.

Kim Welke—Book Club Co-Ordinator—kwelk4@eq.edu.au

PLAYGROUP:

Playgroup is held at the school every Wednesday from 9-11am. Please bring a hat, piece of fruit to share and a gold coin donation. For further information please feel free to call the school. Thank you Mrs Magnussen for running playgroup this week.

Kim Welke—Playgroup Co-Ordinator—kwelk4@eq.edu.au

P & C NEWS:

The P&C AGM and Bus Meetings will be held Tonight, Wednesday 9th March !!! Times for the evening will be 5.45pm, BBQ tea put on by the P&C. 6.30pm, Bus Meetings. 7.30pm, P&C AGM. Please consider serving our school by taking on an executive roll on the P&C. It is compulsory that parents attend their relevant bus meeting.

We will be again running the Chip Van at the Brymaroo Rodeo on Easter Saturday night 26th March. Please keep this night free and help out with this major fundraiser.

Help is needed in the tuck shop for the Softball carnival on Friday 18th March. Please see Karen.

John Hensel 0429 92 42 92

TUCKSHOP:

Helper this week—Fallon Wise
Volunteers/Helpers are needed this term. Please let me know if you can help in the tuck-shop or supply baking.

Karen Smith—Tuckshop Convenor—Phone 0407 765646
We are again looking for newsletter sponsors to help cover the cost of our end of year school magazine. If you would like to sponsor please contact our school office on 46637127 or email amorg140@eq.edu.au. Thank you.

In Class

This week we have continued with art, and are experimenting with pastels. The combination of colour, and mixing colour through rubbing, mixing. The works in the photos are the practice stage, and when complete we will be looking at a more formal work. In keeping with the theme of animals we will look at developing a piece of work related to this.

The Bowenville Rural Fire Brigade will be having TRAINING NIGHTS on FIRST WEDNESDAY of EACH MONTH commencing at 6pm going for about an hour, just to REFRESH members and fire fighters with various procedures and equipment.
Any interested Community persons and Bowenville Residents are most welcome to come along and see what happens and how things work, it’s YOUR FIRE BRIGADE. If you wish Contact Mat Finch 1st Officer and Training Officer on 0418 194696.