FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to term three one and all and special welcome to new and returning families. I hope everyone had a great holiday and enjoyed time with family and friends. This term looks to be another busy one with plenty of new learning for us all.

Humpybong State School’s Improvement Agenda

Our school is committed to providing a quality education for all students with a focus on high expectations and a belief that our students can achieve and succeed. We continue to reflect on current practice and aim to nurture student development in a supportive school environment. This year there are a number of strategies that are being implemented across our school to ensure that every day, in every classroom, every Humpybong student is learning and achieving within a safe, supportive, inclusive and disciplined learning environment.

Humpybong State School is committed to the core learning priorities of:

- Reading
- Writing, including spelling, grammar and punctuation
- Numeracy
- Science

Teachers have set academic stretch targets for our students in each of the core learning areas and these are being consistently monitored throughout the school year. Progress towards the targets is being shared with parents regularly across the year. In addition to the core learning priorities, strategies to improve student attendance, including timely arrival at school have been a feature of our improvement agenda. It is imperative that together we build a culture of learning where an unrelenting focus on improved student achievement is embraced.

Through our consistent implementation of curriculum, explicit teaching and assessment and through personal and collective commitment, we are delivering improved learning and achievement for all students at Humpybong State School.

Three Way Reporting

Over the past two weeks, families have been invited to attend reporting sessions with teachers to discuss student’s progress and the Semester One Report Card. This process ensures open, transparent communication with all
stakeholders and provides opportunities for parents to ask questions and be informed about their children’s academic results and social skills. It also allows parents to communicate with teachers about their expectations for their children’s learning at Humpybong State School. Feedback about the Three Way Reporting process has been very positive so far. If you were not able to attend a reporting session please contact the teacher to arrange an alternative date or phone interview.

Regards
Sharon Schimming
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTIES’ DESK

2013 Prep Enrolments

On Saturday 25th August from 9am we will be hosting our Parent Information Session for 2013 Prep enrolments. If you are aware of any parents who have children eligible for Prep in 2013 (born between 01 July 2007 and 30 June 2008) and have not yet registered their intent to enrolled, please encourage them to contact the Office on 3385 1666 to register their interest to enrol. Prep interviews will take place early Term 4. At Humpybong State School, Prep offers children an effective start to their schooling.

Prep provides the foundation for your child's success at school by developing:

- A positive approach to learning
- Independence and confidence
- Thinking and problem-solving skills
- Language skills
- Early literacy and numeracy
- Physical abilities, including gross and fine motor skills.

Tim Adsett & Hayley Bloxham

THE NED SHOW IS COMING!

The NED Show combines a positive message with humour, storytelling, audience participation and memorable object lessons like yo-yo and magic tricks. The assembly teaches students how they can develop three valuable characteristics to become CHAMPIONS at school and in life!

See a brief video about the show and see what all the excitement is about – visit www.theNEDshow.com

The lovable character NED, and his message, are an inspiration for all ages. We look forward to the lasting, positive impact it will have at our school.

The show will be performed on Monday 23 July at 12:25 for Prep to Year 3, and at 1:45 for Years 4 to 7. The performance is free for all students, but there will be NED messaged items for sale five days at school after the performance.

YELLOW DAY FUNDRAISER

To the children, parents, caregivers and amazing staff of Humpybong State School, I wish to extend a heartfelt thank you for your wonderful response to Yellow Day last term. Money raised goes towards the Ride to Conquer Cancer which will be held in August raising over $700 for cancer research at the Queensland Institute of Medical Research. Many thanks,

Mrs Anne Stanton
Year 1 Teacher
JUMP ROPE FOR HEART - Jump off Day

Congratulations and thank you to the 42 students who participated in our Jump Off day late last term. I was really impressed by the students’ abilities to learn and practise skipping skills and even perform a choreographed routine. An amazing $1 138.65 was collectively raised by the group and was donated to the Heart Foundation. Students eligible for prizes will receive those in the coming weeks. Thank you again to students and their families for their support of this worthy cause. I look forward to joining in with the program again next year.

Melissa Wood
Learning Support Teacher

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

Our Athletics Carnivals were to be scheduled this Thursday 19 July and Friday 20 July, but both events have been postponed as a result of the weather and the closure of Langdon Oval for some months now. We will advertise the rescheduled dates after the oval has been reopened. A School Athletics squad will be selected before the District Trials are conducted on 1 and 2 August. Students will have the opportunity to try out for the squad during sessions leading up to the District Carnivals.

Students in Years 6 and 7 will recommence their interschool sports program on Friday 10 August. A number of sports will be offered to the students, and permission notes and bus fares must be settled before your child can compete in school representative teams. More information and final dates for payment will be sent home this week.

Adam Vickery
PE Teacher

LIBRARY NEWS

The 2012 Premier’s Reading Challenge!

Take the Challenge, by reading the number of books as in the table below!

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Champions Read! Read between now and 7 September 2012 the number of books needed, and you will receive a very smart certificate by Premier Campbell Newman! All classes have been invited to participate. Reading Record Cards are available. You are also welcome to do this from home at http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge/

Any questions, please ask Miss Edwina Clark (Teacher-librarian)

Get Ready for Book Week 2012 - Champions Read!

On Your Mark, Get Set, Go! Here are some dates for your calendar for Term 3:

London Olympic Games - 27 July to 12 August 2012

Book Disco - incorporating the disco, DJ, Book Fair and sausage sizzle.

When: Thursday 2 August 2012 (CHANGE OF DATE!)

Time: Prep - Year 3: 4.30-5.30pm Year 4-7: 6.00-7.30pm

Cost: $5.00 from the Tuckshop (in Term 3)

Costumes optional but I’ll be coming in something sporty (no doubt requiring some dusting!).

The Book Fair - Selling days: Mon 6 August to 8 August. Great books and fantastic stationery items!
Lost Property

Hats and misc. items can be found near the drinking taps outside the library. Jumpers are inside the library in the cane basket near Teacher Reference. You are welcome to come in and search for lost jumpers at any time. Any Lost Property must be claimed by the last Friday of the month. Where possible, named items will be returned to classes. Any left-over viable items then will be cleaned and donated to charity.

Edwina Clark
Teacher Librarian

CHAPPY CHATTER – Specificity

Over the holidays I ventured into my teenage son’s room (not for the fainthearted!) and found that the basket of clean clothes was still where I had deposited it several days before. “Son, can you please put these clothes away?” I asked. “Sure”, he replied. A couple of days later, I braved his room again to find the clothes had not moved. “Hey!” I cried. “I asked you to put these away days ago!” “Yes,” replied my son. “But you didn’t say WHEN!” Not everyone is blessed with children so pedantic that every communication must be checked for loopholes by a group of highly trained lawyers. I’m just lucky, I guess. However, it is always a good idea to phrase your instructions to include what you want done, along with when and how you want it done. This will prevent wiggle-room for any junior “legal eagles”. In this instance, “Son, put your clothes away in the wardrobe this morning” would have saved me unnecessary stress. And that is always a good thing, isn’t it!

Nicola
Chaplain

“Discipline your son and he will give you peace...” Proverbs 29:17

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our crossing supervisor, Caroline Scarlett for 10 years of service.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

REMINDERS: Tuckshop closed Mondays. There is no hot food at SNACK time. Juice cups have been replaced by 125mL poppers at .75c. Athletics carnival tuckshop order forms and money to be returned to the Tuckshop by Friday 20th July.

I would love to thank all my wonderful volunteers who come in and help. We are always in need of volunteers, so if you could help, please come and see Sherri. Support our school community and our Tuckshop!

New items
Garlic bread - $1.00. Perfect to go with Lasagne or chicken bake and
Yazoo milk flavour 475 mL - $3.50

Sherri Hallam
Tuckshop Convenor

P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held in the STIC at 6:30pm on Tuesday 24 July 2012, this will be our ONLY P&C Meeting for this term. All are welcome.

Meal Deals

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Tuckshop Bags 20cents extra
**Woolworths Earn & Learn Program**

We are going well with the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program, so keep sending your stickers and sticker books into the office. The program has been extended until August.

**Coles – Sports for Schools Vouchers**

Yes, we are also participating in the Coles Sports program, so please send your vouchers into the school office.

**Pauls Collect-a-caps**

Keep those caps coming in; this program will be running all through 2012. Drop your caps into the special box in the school office.

**Friday Sausage Sizzle**

Just a reminder that our sausage sizzle is on EVERY Friday under the Year 1 buildings. Only $1.50 for a sausage in bread. We start selling from 2.30pm. If you would like to help out at the sausage sizzle, come and see one of our P&C members at the sausage sizzle.

Colin Orr
P&C President

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Gibbah Gunyah Aboriginal Dancers**
(Formerly the Murriajabree Aboriginal Dancers)

Give our culture to our kids! Kids must be accompanied by an adult.

**TIME:** We meet Monday 5 to 6pm (During School terms only).

**WHERE:** Deception Bay Baptist church hall, Corner of Maine Terrace and Silver Street, Deception Bay

Enquiries /performance bookings or to join our Deadly Dancers

**PH:** Janine: 0401200386 or email: Mygirl1971@live.com

**Triple P Program Research**

The University of Queensland is conducting a study into the effectiveness of a brief Triple P parenting program aimed at reducing family conflict in families with teenagers (aged 12-15 years).

Parents can participate in a free two hour parenting discussion group that focuses on reducing family conflict in families with teenagers. The session will be run in groups of 8-12 parents by a Psychologist and trained Triple P practitioner. As part of the session parents will be provided with a Parenting booklet that is especially designed to help them develop a parenting plan and manage family conflict. In addition, parents will also receive a follow-up phone consultation to provide them with further support.

As part of the study parents will also be required to complete two short online surveys. The survey should take about 15 minutes to complete and asks the parent questions about their teenager, the way that they parent and questions about themselves.

If you have any further questions about this study please contact:

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brydie.oconnor@uqconnect.edu.au