Principal’s Message

Curriculum
P-2: Welcome to week 6! In English the Year 1 and 2 children are starting their new unit of work where they will be looking more closely on how stories work and are put together in the structure of beginning, middle and end. The Prep students are continuing their exploration of many different types of texts, one of which they will chose to do an oral retell of in the second last week of school. In maths, the children are doing lots of counting and learning about the importance of place value. We are looking at doubles and doubles plus one as a number fact strategy. Any extra practise you can do at home will always be beneficial with this strategy and the rainbow facts which were covered previously.

Don’t forget you have access at home to the school provided internet programs of Reading Eggs and Mathletics. All the children need are their usernames and passwords which I can provide you with.

Year 3-6 – Welcome to week 6 of the term. Students are getting into the assessment or monitoring stage with some of their units. They are starting to bring together learnt skills and concepts to produce and create. Over the next few weeks some students may have tasks to complete at home if they need extra time with assessments. Once these have been completed students will start new units in English and Math. They will continue to work on current units in the rest of the key learning areas. It was great to see so much learning being done on Monday with students learning about our “patch” and what we can do to help protect endangered species.

Double A’s
Last week saw the start of our Academic Achiever recognition walls. Students who are energised, and ever ready to work are being recognised in one of the following 5 categories; Number Facts, Spelling, Reading / Writing, Improvement and Sight words. Students must be performing to a high level to have this achievement. Our Double A’s are an example of the recognition we give to learning in our school. For more detail see your classroom teacher.

Travel to and from school.
There have been a number of occurrences of children being on the road when travelling to and from school. Please discuss with your child the appropriate road rules. At school, we are encouraging students to hop off the road when cars are travelling. We will continue to do this with children as the term progresses.

Parents transporting children to school in cars, can you also make sure to adhere to road rules in and around town as well.

Officer Steve
Two weeks ago Officer Steve came and visited the school. He spoke with the student about his involvement with the community and how he looked forwards to being involved with the school. Officer Steve also handed to the year 6 leaders a copy of the Queensland Police Service Student Handbook, which is full of information about many topics.
I would like to welcome Officer Steve to the community and hope that the school and police service are able to continue the work towards a safe community.

P&C
I would like to thank all the community members who attended the P&C meeting last Monday. It was great to see so many people who are willing to participate. The AGM will be held on the 23rd of March at 3.40pm. Election of executive positions will be held at this time, as well as welcoming members to join. If you have not yet returned your membership form to the office please do so for the AGM. I look forward to a strong and effective P&C this year.

Endangered Aussies Visit
On Monday, Cam and Greg from Amaroo Environment Education Centre visited the school to work with the year 3-6 students around highlighting our local areas and the endangered species that reside here. The students explored what biodiversity is, habitats and how local wildlife is dependent on these. They presented a balanced view to the students showing how cycles happen and the effects that humans and nature can have on individual species. The students participated in an ipad investigation in the local ground where they spent researching endangered species. Students then had the opportunity to see some animals from the Queensland Museum that had been stuffed. The day was filled out with a presentation to staff and local community members around biodiversity, what this means for us and ways that we can help. Thank you to all the community members who attended the session.

Swimming
Swimming is being held on Wednesdays at the Millmerran Aquatic Centre. The bus leaves at 9.00 am and returns by 12.30pm. We have two weeks of swimming left. The last swimming date is 11th of March.

School Pool
Work has commenced at the school pool and is well underway. This process will continue for the next few weeks until the pool has been brought up to scratch and is ready for the school community to use.

Tuckshop
Due to swimming, tuckshop will be held on Friday for the rest of term 1. As such, orders are due to the shop by Thursday.

School Absences
Over the past week there have been some absences of students at school. It is the parents responsibility to contact the school when this happens. This can be done through either a note, phone call / message, email or conversation with the classroom teacher. Our current attendance data indicated that we are at 94.5%, which is a great way to start off the year. The school is aware that on Fridays there have been more absences than at other times during the week. Friday is one of our important days as it is a full teaching day with no interruptions. This is also a testing day where we use the data to inform your child’s progress in specific areas of spelling and numeracy.

Student Information
There are still some families who need to return the start of year permission forms. These forms are vital for student access to system, maintaining contact with families and general running of the school. If you need extra copies of the forms please let the school know.

Internal Audit
On the 5th and 6th of March the school will be undertaking an Internal Audit of our financial and workplace systems. During this time the office will be very busy in meeting the requirements of this process. Please bear with staff as at times they may not be able to interact as they normally would. If you would like more information please contact the school.

Playgroup
All community members are welcomed to attend playgroup. It is held each Wednesday from 9.00am – 11.00am. If you would like more information please contact the school office.

Justin Coulson
During the recent session staff were taken through a process of self-identification. This process is undertaken by all at different stages of their lives. Most children are engaged in this at some level, depending on their age, maturity and ability to understand. Most adults have already undergone and engage in the following behaviours.

Emotional Intelligence - Identifying others perceptions
Self Awareness – How we respond
Emotional Regulation – Catching our emotion

These processes are not levelled or concurrent and open up the idea that students need to be taught what these mean.

School Banking
School banking will occur on a Thursday. Please place all banking in the school box in the office no later than 9.00am Thursday.

Sam Gilmore
Teaching Principal
For community groups who wish to include notices within the school newsletter, please have them typed and emailed to the school at the.principal@leyburnss.eq.edu.au or chung1@eq.edu.au by 12.00 Noon the Tuesday prior.

19th February, 2015:

Congratulations to Daniel for settling well into Prep and making good choices, Bridie for working well in all educational areas, and Bree for settling well into Prep and making good choices.

26th February, 2015:

Congratulations to Havanna for beautiful reading and using her best speaking voice, Tiana for her expressive writing in free writing and homework and Logan for trying hard in all subjects.

M100W

Congratulations Krystal on achieving your Gold Level words?

Mathletics

19th February, 2015


26th February, 2015

Congratulations to Caitlen, Luke, Mitch and Rebecca
Our School received a visit from our local Policeman, Officer Steve. He presented our School Leaders with the Queensland Police Service Student Handbook.

**Clifton Show**

Congratulations to Summer and Rebecca on attaining second prize at the Clifton Show for their writing in the School Entries section.

**P & C NEWS**

The Annual General Meeting of the Leyburn State School P&C will be held on Monday 23rd March at 3.40pm in the 3-6 classroom. All Welcome.

Please find attached 2015 Pub Raffle Roster. If you can help to sell raffle tickets for the P&C at the Hotel every second Friday evening, please contact Melinda May.

The P&C are looking for new and innovative ways to raise funds, they would appreciate any ideas you have. Please complete the attached sheet and return to the school office as soon as possible.

If you are wishing to purchase uniforms, please see one of the P&C committee – Maree or Melinda

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**TUCKSHOP MENU**

Please ensure correct tuckshop money is enclosed.

Orders can be dropped off at the shop before 9.30 Thursday Mornings.

(Prices and menu effective from 6th February, 2015)

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We do still have quite a few ham and pineapple pizza available so these may be ordered until we have run out.

Thank you Megan.
The Leyburn Conveyance Committee requests the parents of children travelling on bus P346 to meet at Leyburn S. School on **Wednesday 11th March, 2015 at 5.00p.m.** for our **Annual General Meeting.** General Meeting will follow. Any queries or concerns you may have can be put forward at this meeting.

Kind regards.
Annette Gray
Secretary
Leyburn Conveyance Committee

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**Hana’s Hair Cuts**
Professional cuts
Men, Ladies and Children’s cuts
Appointments necessary – available weekends
Phone 4695 0260

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**Annual General Meeting**
Of the Blue Light Committee
Wednesday 4th March, 2015
at 4.30pm
At the Leyburn State School
3-6 Classroom.

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**QCWA MEETING**
QCWA Meeting will be held the first Tuesday of each month
At 9.00am
Next Meeting 7th April, 2015
All Welcome
For Hall Bookings please contact:
Christine: 4695 0186 or Mary: 46950125

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QCWA Leyburn Branch Competitions Day will be held in conjunction with Anzac Centenary Commemoration
On Friday 24th April, 2015
At 11.00am
The children from Leyburn State School will join with us at the QCWA Hall to honour the fallen.

Guest Speaker will be the Reverend David Snape

All welcome to join us.

We invite anyone interested in participating in our Cookery, Knitting, Crochet and Photography competitions to contact

Christine Frazer 4695 0186
or
Mary Hamblin 4695 0125
for details.

Entries will be judged at 9.00am on 24th April and will be on display throughout the morning.
Warwick District Football Association – Soccer sign up is now open!
For anyone turning 5 in 2015 and older!!

Registration is available online Right Now! Just go to www.myfootballclub.com.au click register now and follow your nose. **Please make sure you select the correct registration package as there will be multiple options available.** If you have any problems message us via Facebook (Warwick district football association) or email butlerps@gmail.com and we will help you through it. We have also put an online registration guide on our website which will help you out if needed (www.warwickwolves.com.au). Online registration is the preferred method. It is simple, quick and convenient! No waiting in queues! Give it a Go!

You can select “Pay at Club” during the registration process to enable your child to be registered and allocated to a team. You can then log back in and select “Pay Now” to complete your payment by the 15th March.

Registrations will close on Sunday 15th March to enable time for us to finalise teams for the season ahead.

In addition to Online registrations we are running 2 registration information days:

14th February will be at the Rose City Shopping Centre (bottom of the escalators) and will run from 8:30am until 1:00pm. Warwick Wolves members will be present to assist you with the online registration process. There will be two computers available for this purpose.

21st February – will be held at the WDFA Clubhouse, Queens Park, Park Road, Warwick, from 11:00am till 1:00pm. Warwick Wolves members will be present to assist you with the online registration process. There will be two computers available for this purpose.

For any questions or further information please email butlerps@gmail.com

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**DARLING DOWNS SCOUTS**

Would you like your children (both boys and girls) to have fun, experience the excitement and adventure that comes from learning new skills while making new friends? The Drayton Scout Group offers an exciting and rewarding program for young people (6 years to 26 years and opportunities for leaders as well) that fosters their self-confidence, physical fitness and challenges their imagination in a safe environment. Our activities are varied and are catered to each age group. There is no chance to get bored as we give our members the opportunity to constantly try something new. Our younger members (Joeys Scouts: six to eight year olds) get to do puppets, team games and camps while learning. Our older members undertake more adventurous activities including Rock Climbing (Indoor & Outdoor), hikes, camps and even computer games nights while developing team and leadership skills. Throughout these activities we help to develop your child’s problem solving skills, confidence, sense of community and their camp craft skills.

The skills learned in Scouting pay dividends in later life! While only 1-2% of youth are involved in Scouting they make up approximately 38% of fortunate 500 CEO’s, CFO’s, Adventures, Billionaires and Politicians. Many ex-Scouters are everyday names who have achieved amazing things like landing on the moon (Neil Armstrong and 21 out of the 24 Astronauts from the Apollo missions), becoming presidents (Barrick O’Bama), prime ministers (Kevin Rudd,) and captains of industry (Dick Smith). This is why people like Bear Grylls and the Duchess of Cambridge Kate Middleton are still involved in Scouting today. If you would like to learn more and equip your child for the rest of their life then contact Darling Downs Scouts to locate your nearest Scout Group: Phone: (07) 46 333-374 Email: ddrscouts@darlingdownsscouts.org.au

Amaroo Visits Leyburn