

RAPP No 30

15 September 2009

COMING EVENTS

September	
16	Taabinga Rugby
18	Secondary Rewards Trip Last Day Term 3
October	
5	First Day Term 4
9	Immunisations Yr 8
19	Pupil Free Day
20	Pupil Free Day

RAPP AWARDS

Prep	Lurlene Langton
Prep/1	Georgia Thompson
Year 4	Hailey Grattidge Jacinda Wenck
Year 5	Noel Blair Leilani Riedy
Year 6	Alex Glover

**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS
School resumes
on Monday
5 October
(there is NO pupil
free day)!**

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A FANTASTIC FINISH TO THE TERM!

Last week's **Regional Green and Healthy Schools'** judging was a great day, with the school receiving two awards - one for Community Partnerships and the other for Fit and Active! Thanks must go to the GREEN TEAM who ran the day. We had 150 visitors from around the region and Brisbane. Schools attending included Burnett Heads State School (Bundaberg), Bundaberg Christian College, St Mary's School, Bundaberg, Woooloolin State School, Benarkin State School and Kingaroy State School. Mrs Brown, Mr Brown and Mrs Wenck and the catering students provided a fine feast for all the visitors, which was well received! The Wondai staff and students provided a range of sustainability workshops which were very popular with our visitors.

The inaugural **Wondai's Got Talent and Drama** evening was a huge success. Over 300 tickets were sold at the door, which made for a great evening. Again, Mrs Brown and her catering students, provided a delicious supper. Student participation was excellent and I am proud that our Drama students were able to showcase their fine acting talents!

SOME EXCELLENT NAPLAN RESULTS FOR OUR SCHOOL!

The most notable improvements have been in Year 3 where 100% of students were above the National Minimum Standards in READING, WRITING and NUMERACY. Another excellent outcome from Year 3 was that Jenai Purcell's results in 3 out of 5 test areas were HIGHER than the national performance of Indigenous students!

The percentage ABOVE THE NATIONAL MINIMUM STANDARDS included:

Year 3 – Reading (100%), Writing (100%), Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar and Numeracy (100%)

Year 5 – Spelling and Numeracy

Year 7 – Spelling and Numeracy

Year 9 – Writing, Spelling and Numeracy

In other words, this could be interpreted that in these areas, there has been a DISTINCT UPWARDS MOVEMENT away from the BOTTOM BAND in each year level, meaning fewer students receiving the lowest results.

Other pleasing outcomes have included:

in EVERY YEAR LEVEL tested, we have had **students score in the TOP BANDS...** this is excellent! We haven't achieved this for a while and some were in multiple test areas, including:

YEAR 3 - Nathan Wood performed in the TOP BAND (6) in every test area. Zephyr Heaney, Cameron Rutledge and Chelsea Burgess all performed in Band 6 (top) for one or more areas. Dion Handford and Oliver Miller performed in the 5's and 4's.

YEAR 5 - Ben Nicholson, April Kratzmann, Cowan Walters – all performed in TOP BAND (8) for at least one or more areas, with a number of others in Band 7 (Jesse-Lea Bath, Thomas Routledge, Kateleenn Baldry, Tahyla Tyson)

YEAR 7 –Indigo Vandenberg Dodt performed in the TOP BAND (9) in 3 areas, with Alex Klibbe, Autumn Law, Chloe Walters and Maddy Watts all performing in Band 9 for one area. Olivia Nicholson performed in Band 8 in 4 out of 5 areas, and a number of others performed in Band 8 for at least one area including Jack Fulloon for Numeracy.

YEAR 9 – Kate Vanmastrigt received a top score in BAND 10 and a number of BAND 9's were achieved by Maddy Baldry (3 areas), Katie Scherger, Sarah Schoss, Zac Bieberitz, Harrison Miller, Bede Stapleton, Rhianna Ogilvie and Tahlia Weber performed in bands 8 and some 7's. Hedley Bell's performance (band 7 in most areas) is one of the best performances we've had for an Indigenous student in Year 9.

Comparison to 2008 results revealed improvements in the following areas:

Year 3 – all areas

Year 5 – writing, spelling and numeracy

Year 7 – writing

Indigenous results were improved from 2008 to 2009 in:

Year 3 – reading, writing and numeracy

Year 5 – reading and spelling

Year 9 – Reading, Grammar and Punctuation and Numeracy (a huge increase)

SECONDARY TOUCH CARNIVAL at Murgon SHS on Sunday

Harrison Miller, Bede Stapleton, Ben Pratt, Sam Burrage, Ted Wenck, Josh Brown, Tristan Parry, Andrew Scales and Mitchell Bleys all played well at the carnival. Thanks to Mr McKinnon and Mr Grimsley who attended the carnival and supported our boys.

Reading With Your Child

Hot tips to share with parents.



Stay calm and relaxed and positive while your child learns to read with you.

Stay calm and relaxed when your child makes mistakes or forgets a word. If you get frustrated, change the situation by looking for the positive things your child has accomplished in the reading. Say things like:

'I really enjoyed how you sounded like the old man in the story.'

'I can see that you understand how to use punctuation.'

'Your voice got louder when you saw that exclamation mark.'

'Do you realise that you read four pages tonight?'

'What did you like about this book?'

Or simply say "How many more pages would you like to read and then I will read the rest?"

VENTOLIN PUFFERS NEED TO BE LEFT AT THE OFFICE – NOT IN SCHOOL BAGS.

Admin News

We currently have left over chips and softdrinks from Friday night, of various sorts for sale through the office at cost price. Chips are available in packs of ten for \$10 and softdrinks in packs of ten for \$10. Parents must contact the office and make arrangements for collection as students will not be allowed to collect anything if arrangements haven't been previously made.

PREP

Have you enrolled?
Prep is the first year of school. It develops children's independence and prepares them for Year 1.

Children will do lots of fun things to help them learn – play, draw, paint, build with blocks and story tell.

Prep is five days a week and not compulsory.

Children need to be five by 30 June in the year they enrol in Prep.

To learn more about Prep at
WONDAI STATE SCHOOL P-10
contact Ruth Miller on 4169 2333.

P & C NEWS

Tuckshop helpers are urgently needed for next term. If we want tuckshop to continue, please phone Nyree on 4169 0404 or Linda on 4169 0505 if you can help out.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

This Friday is the last day of term and we will be having a Hot Dog Day. **NO OTHER HOT FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE.**

Drinks and ice creams will still be available as normal.

Hot Dogs \$2.50.

Order on a bag and put in on Thursday as normal.



Thanks

Community Announcements

Barambah Road Riders Group

- For any cycling enthusiast or anyone interested in cycling
- Groups rides normally on a weekend with some rides during the week
- Rides typically 30-60km in length mostly on quieter back roads
- Road bike or Mountain bike with "slick tyres" beneficial
- Friendly and safety conscious riders

Contact Chris on 0448 881 141 or
Andy on 0401 360 491

CTC Youth Services

Do you get bored through the school holidays and want something fun to do? CTC Youth Services is offering an exciting range of activities over the September and October school holidays. There are two big trips that include a family shopping tour to the warehouses in Brisbane on Wednesday 23 September and a trip to Dreamworld on Thursday 1 October.

Kingaroy will also be hosting the first "Junior Masterchef" competition on Tuesday 22 September. If you would like to enter this competition with some excellent judges, please send in your nomination form asap as an expression of interest. Without this, the competition cannot run.

CTC will also be running some action packed sessions of "Backyard Skirmish" on Monday 21 September in Wondai, Proston and Kingaroy.

The newly renovated and upgraded Drop In Centre will be open daily from 12pm – 4pm for playstation games, pool comps, rage cage for extreme sports and games plus plenty more fun.

If you would like more information, please phone CTC Youth Services on 4162 7788 or visit our website <http://youth.sbctc.com.au>

School Age Children - Come and Play Squash

Wondai Squash Courts
22 September
9.00 am – 11.00 am

Sausage sizzle after – parents welcome
Free sessions for school age children
Come and have a go. You might like it. Please contact Fran or Neil on 0418 762 563.

Junior disco

All proceeds to Relay for Life Cancer Council Qld – Wondai Wolves Women
When Friday 25 September
Where Wondai Diggers Club Hall
Time 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm
Cost \$5 per person
Includes a drink and a lucky door ticket.
No pass-outs allowed
More information phone Vicky 4169 0672

Karate Union Australia Trivia Night

Wondai Memorial Hall
19th September 7pm
Starts at 7:30pm
\$10 per head 8 players per table
Funds raised to support Karate Group in Kingaroy, Wondai and Murgon
Contact Brian 0419675722 to Book

FREE COACHING COURSE ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

Community Coaching Program
Monday 19 Oct
5.00pm-9.00pm at Taabinga State School
To book or for more information please contact Jay Wehlow on 0428200021 or jay.wehlow@ausport.gov.au

Murgon & District Cricket Club

Junior Sign On
Saturday 10 October
Murgon Showgrounds from 9am
Contact details: 4169 5930

Kids Help Line – Free Call 1800 55 1800

Kids Help Line is a free 24 hour counselling service for Australian kids and young people aged 5 – 25 years. Our counsellors talk to more than 6000 kids each week and help with all sort of problems, big and small, if you need to talk to someone 24 hours a day 7 days a week.