

**RAPP No 32**

**13 October 2009**

<i>COMING EVENTS</i>	
<b>October</b>	
19	Pupil Free Day
20	Pupil Free Day
<b>November</b>	
11	Presentation Night
26	Year 10 Graduation

**PLEASE NOTE:  
PUPIL FREE  
DAYS  
19 & 20  
OCTOBER**

## **NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

### **HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH LITERACY AND NUMERACY**

Please go to the following link if you are looking for some home assistance with literacy and numeracy with your child/ren.

<http://education.qld.gov.au/literacyandnumeracy/>

### **POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT**

On Friday, all students who have had satisfactory behaviour, will receive an ice block, courtesy of the P&C. Every student has started the term off on the equivalent of Rung 3 (or higher if they were already higher), and staff are encouraging every student to maintain this level, or go higher. Individual classes have systems in place for tracking positive behaviour.

**SCHOOLS FIRST** - major announcement very soon for our school! Stay tuned!

**PUPIL FREE DAYS** - next Monday and Tuesday (19 and 20 October)

### **BP EDUCATION GRANT AWARD**

Next week on Tuesday 20 October Mr McKinnon, Mrs Gibson, Pascha Robbins and Harrison Miller will be attending the BP Education Grants celebration dinner at Queensland Parliament House Function Rooms. During the dinner Pascha and Harrison will give a talk about our BP grant aquaculture project in the permaculture garden. The BP grant awards will be presented to schools by Kathy Hirschfeld, Managing Director, BP Refinery and a member of Parliament. We have been fortunate to receive a number of BP Education Grants over the years and appreciate the continued support by BP of school initiatives in the areas of science, technology and environment.

### **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.

# Sports News

Last Friday all primary school students were told about AFL Auskick which will be held here at school starting this week **Thursday 12 October**. Although Auskick will cost \$55 for participants, they are **welcome to come and try** for a few weeks before they commit to paying. Students who pay for the program will receive a bag, a football and various other goodies. **If you have problems with the initial cost, the school is willing to negotiate a payment plan so that your child can still attend.** It is rare for our school to be given such opportunities so I hope that we can get some good numbers of participants this week.

**Auskick** will run from 3.15pm-4.15pm each Thursday for the next 8 weeks, and remember it is **free** for the first 3 weeks.

The Active After Schools program is going to recommence this Wednesday afternoon (14/10). It will then run on the Monday and Wednesday of each week. Both programs will run a multi-activity program. The usual times of 3.15-4.15pm will apply. Only students who will participate in all activities and follow directions need attend.

Congratulations to Andrew Scales who late last term competed at the Wide Bay athletics trials for long jump. Andrew has shown tremendous commitment to his sports and he is a fine role model for his classmates. I would love to see more of our talented students using a determined attitude like Andrew, instead of "I can't be bothered" mentality.

Swimming will commence for primary classes in the coming weeks. A note has been sent home with all dates confirmed. For parents of Preps and Year 1 students, I am very eager for helpers to come to the pool. It would do your child the world of good, if you could give them a visit or two to the pool in the next fortnight. In addition, goggles are highly beneficial for beginner swimmers to aid in water confidence.

Thankyou

## Timetable for Swimming

**Prep Mrs Neil**

Thursday 22/10 – Thursday 26/11 (12.30pm – 1.30pm)

**Mrs Holewa**

Wednesday 11/11 – Wednesday 25/11 (10.30am – 11.30am)

**Mrs Cooper**

Friday 6/11, 13/11, 27/11 (2.00pm – 3.00pm)

**Mrs Wyeth/Mrs Crosswaite**

Friday 6/11, 13/11, 27/11 (12.30pm – 3.00pm)

**Mrs Wernecke**

Tuesday 27/10, 3/11, 10/11 (2.00pm – 3.00pm)

There may be additional dates to be added.

**Mrs Boge**

Thursday 5/11, 12/11, 19/11 (2.00pm – 3.00pm)

**Miss Bayliss**

Tuesday 27/10, 3/11, 10/11 (12.30pm – 1.30pm)

**Mrs Brown**

Tuesday 27/10, 3/11, 10/11, 18/11, 25/11 (12.30pm – 1.30pm)

## Administration News

Statements are being sent home today. Parents are reminded that if levies aren't paid, students will not be able to attend functions such as Year 10 Graduation and Rewards Trips.

## TIPS FOR PARENTS



### HELPING YOUR CHILD TO LEARN

- Read to them.
- Let them read to you.
- Encourage them to tell you the same story in their words.
- Ask them to talk about what they have learnt today at school.
- Ask them to talk about something that interests them (sport, music, a TV program, a drawing).
- Talk about community activities.
- Talk about religious festivals and their meaning.

## ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

We have recommenced After School Sports on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 3.15pm – 4.15pm. We will be including new activities for this term, including some music related activities.

Afternoon tea is provided for all students. If your

child has already attended this year you don't need to fill out any paperwork, just come along and have fun. Due to the pupil free days next week, there is no Active After School Activities on Monday. Come along on Wednesday and have fun.

## TUCKSHOP NEWS

**There will be NO tuckshop until further notice.**



Thanks

## Community Announcements

### Reclaim the Night. 30 October 2009.

This is an annual event to raise awareness and stop violence against women around the globe, first held in Australia in 1978. Particularly during October please challenge all forms of violence against women and the culture that permits this violence. Remember "Positive relationships build positive communities".

### TAKE HOME AN INTERNATIONAL BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER.

Capture the spirit of family and friendship by hosting an international exchange student from Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Carefully selected students will arrive February 2010 for 5 months from Europe, Japan and the U.S.A. They will attend your local secondary school, are fully insured and have their own spending money.

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## Australia's Best Bassers to Film at Lake Boondooma

Bass fishing in the Burnett Valley will receive a boost with the area securing an episode of the Australian Fishing Championships (AFC) at Lake Boondooma.

Broadcast nationally on Channel 10 and internationally via the internet, AFC gathers the cream of Australia's bream, bass and barramundi anglers and fished them head-to-head in the made-for-TV event.

Anglers qualified for the show by topping the ABT fishing events in their respective species.

Murgon fishing guide, Matthew Mott, has been part of the

show for the last three seasons.

"AFC is the pinnacle of lure fishing in this country. You have to beat hundreds of great anglers to make it on the show and then consistently beat the best-of-the-best to retain your place - I love it," Mott explained. Twice, Mott has been part of the winning AFC teams and hopes to make it a three-peat this season.

"With the AFC visiting Boondooma, we should see some excellent bass fishing, and everyone is welcome to come and watch the weigh-ins - you might even get your mug on the telly," he continued.

**Competition day for the Boondooma AFC round is Monday the 19th of October. Anglers fish from dawn through to midday. Weigh-in filming starts at around 1pm at the main campgrounds and all are welcome to be a part of the process and meet the anglers.**

## 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](mailto:jay.wehlow@ausport.gov.au)

## MURGON OPEN JUDO COMPETITION

**When:** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

**Where:** South Burnett PCYC, Macalister Street, Murgon

Start time: 9.30am

Presentations will be at the completion of age groups

U10s, U13s, U16s & Seniors

Spectators Free

Please support Canteen and Raffle

For more information please contact Stan

0414404004

## Melbourne Cup Luncheon – Wondai Hospital Auxiliary

Where: Wondai RSL

Time: 10.00 am

When: Tuesday 3 November

There will be Fashion of the Field, entertainment, raffle, fashion parade and sweeps.

Bookings essential at \$20/head

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