

COMING EVENTS

March

17-19 Sec Camp Emu Gully
 20 SB U/12 trials –
 n/ball, tennis, soccer
 24 Immunisations
 Year 8-10
 30 School Photos
 31 4 way meet

April

9 Cross Country
 Last Day Term 1

RAPP AWARDS

Yr 7 Josh Brown
 Jordan Gilbert
 Chloe Walters
 Yr 10 Jaydon Nichols
 Brodie Litfin

17 March 2009

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL - Mrs Ruth Miller

POSITION VACANT

Home School Liaison Officer (part time, casual))

HOURS	6 hours per week, 2-3 mornings per week (negotiable). 7.00 am start.
ROLE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervise homework sessions. Liaise with families as requested by the Principal. Seek funding from external sources to help with resourcing of homework (and similar) programs. Work with students with existing individual plans eg. Kids in care, students with disabilities. Flexibility to work with children from Year 1 through to Year 10.
START DATE	Tuesday 21 April 2009.
APPLICATION DETAILS	<p>A <i>letter of application</i> to be sent to: rmill1@eq.edu.au (or dropped in at the office) by Tuesday 23 March.</p> <p>A <i>resume</i> is to be attached listing any experience.</p> <p>A Working with Children check will be carried out. An interview process will be held for shortlisted applicants.</p>

“MeChange” award – ABC Radio national competition

BIEDO recently nominated their regional Permaculture Project for the above award. As our school is their PILOT for this project, we feel very proud to have assisted in the award being won! The \$20 000 will go towards see funding for all new garden projects in the area.

Certificate II (Agriculture) and school based traineeships

Brodie Litfin and Preston Maroske have recently returned from their first training block with RITE in Charters Towers. Both boys are beginning their school based traineeships next week and are to be congratulated on this major milestone in their “earning and learning” journey!

Harmony Day 2009

Harmony Day occurs on 21 March every year and coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Harmony Day was established in 1999. Harmony Day is an opportunity to highlight the importance for all Australians to respect one another regardless of cultural, racial or religious differences. Teachers will be referring to this Day in classrooms in the coming week.

P & C News: Linda Routledge

Car Raffle

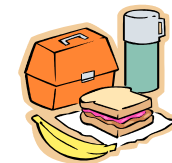
Did you realise the P & C makes \$1.10 from every \$2 ticket sold. In previous years, this has been a huge success! PLEASE call at the office and collect some books to sell. We'd appreciate some more families helping out in this way.



Tuckshop

Regular tuckshop will commence straight after holidays on Friday 24 April. We'll be advertising the menu in next week's newsletter.

Also, on Cross Country day, 9 April, the P & C will be providing a special menu for that day only. Look out for this in coming weeks.



EASTER EGG RAFFLE

We are wanting parents to donate Easter eggs or a gold coin donation for our Easter raffle. Tickets will be sold mainly on Cross country day (9 April) for \$1 each. Please help the P & C with this easy and yummy raffle!



School Jumpers



Please note that jumpers and jackets that are worn to school must in plain school colours. **No hoods please.**



AFL is postponed this week only.

Community Announcements

MURGON SHOW

If anyone wishes to enter the student's section, please collect information from Mrs Weber at the office.

Mixed OzPitch

'The game anyone can play!'

The all new and exciting nine-a-side recreational softball game.

No previous softball skills necessary.

Get a team together or join a team

Starts: 18 of March (to be confirmed)
Where: K'roy Cricket grounds(to be confirmed)
Team Comprises: 9 players - max of 4 males
Age: Minimum age of 10 years
Cost: \$5 per person per game
 Short 6 week season
 Full season next spring
 Phone Rob Fairbrother on ph: 41627788

South Burnett Healthy Community Event

Thursday 2nd April Wondai Showgrounds 4.00 – 6.00pm All welcome

Close the Gap is Australia's largest campaign to improve Indigenous health.

On 22 April 2008 more than 630 events took place around the country. This is an amazing achievement – and along with the 115,000 Australians who have so-far signed the Close the Gap pledge – demonstrates the enormous support that Closing the Gap has within the Australian community.

The campaign calls on governments to commit to closing the life expectancy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians within a generation and is supported by a diverse group of organisations across Australia

<http://www.oxfam.org.au/campaigns/indigenous-health/> **Check out the website for event ideas**
 For more information contact Jen Gemmell or Jen Hill at the Kingaroy RHealth office on 07 41625230.

AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS

Each year we invite and encourage our students from Years 3 to 10, to participate in the national academic competitions. As well as providing valuable information about student achievement to parents, the competitions offer students the opportunity of recognition for effort. This year we are offering students the chance to participate in competitions for Science, Writing, Spelling (Primary only Yr 3 to 6), Mathematics and English. The cost for each competition is \$6.00 except for the Writing competition, which is \$12.00, and Spelling which is \$8.00. Entries should be returned with the fee to the school office by **Monday 6 April**.

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS:

Entries Close Thursday 24 April

Please enter my child:

Year Level: in the Australian Schools Competition in

	Tick if required
Science:	\$ 6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Writing:	\$12.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Spelling Assessment:	\$ 8.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Mathematics Assessment:	\$ 6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
English:	\$ 6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>

Total Cost: \$.....

I enclose as payment for the student named above in the following competitions:

Signed

Please note that student participation in these competitions will assist them in developing 'test taking skills!' Please consider entering your child in at least one competition.



A MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

It was a week of waiting. What do we do to prepare for cyclones? Having lived in Papua New Guinea and North Queensland, I am aware that there is a lot to be done before a cyclone comes, like:

- Clean up the rubbish in the yard (that could become dangerous missiles);
- Check the roof (should have done that ages ago);
- Tape up the windows (for protection);
- Find the strongest part of the house and sit there during the storm.

School is a time of preparation for life and there are cyclones that blow across all our lives. (eg unemployment, tragedies, etc) Could I suggest some ways in which we prepare for life after school?

- Clean up the mind by developing good study habits – we will need them in our work and life!
- Check up on our weaknesses and do something about them.
- Tape up bad habits so they won't destroy us.
- Build on our strengths and make them stronger.
- Build up a network of mates, that will support us in the tough times.

I think this process will help us in any of life's storms.



"Chappy"
School Chaplain

**NEXT P & C MEETING
MONDAY 20 APRIL
7.00 PM**