

## Pinx Car Derby Day - this Friday

**THIS FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER**

**9am**

The excitement is mounting. The school is buzzing with reports of new car designs for this year's competition.

Parents, don't miss the opportunity to watch the races from a good trackside position. The race starts at 9am with light weight Prep cars leading the way.

All cars need to be at school library by 9.00am this Thursday for weighing and viewing. Ensure all cars have your child's name and grade clearly marked on the underside of the car.

## Remembrance Day



At 11.00am we'll gather as a school to remember all of our service men and women who served our country in war times. Please feel free to come and look at Alooomba's Roll of Honour located outside of the office in The Maths Room. You will see some very familiar names still associated with the school today.

**Congratulations** to Gracie & Ollie who competed in the Great Barrier Reef Marathon Festival - junior 2.3 km race in Port Douglas. Gracie was the first girl over the line, beating all older age groups and Ollie put in an awesome effort placing in the top 10.

## P & C Meeting - 3pm - This Friday

## P & C End of Year Celebration

Our P & C parents will celebrate another successful year at the Parkview Tavern this Friday night. A band will be playing on the evening and a courtesy bus is available for our use.



Thank you to the parents who sent their RSVP to Susan O'Shea by last Friday. Please remember the purchase of meals and drinks is at your own expense.

**Thank you...** to Steve Ryan who regularly does handyman jobs for us at school.

## School Garden Update

Thank you to everyone that came to our first garden group meetings. We toured the school grounds, looked at past projects and shared ideas for the future. We've got some great skills and enthusiasm and can't wait to get started.

The first small project is going to be a 'Herb Garden' along the length of the demountable. Right now it's a bed of weeds and we think we can make a big difference before the end of the year.

Our garden beds could do with a dose of **top soil** and we'll need some **mulch** to follow up our weeding efforts. Where can we get this? Any ideas?

We're hoping to get our hands dirty in the next couple of weeks. If you want to join in please contact Marin Haldane on 0431 973 346. All welcome!

## Bravehearts Visit



On Friday 18th November students in years Prep—Year 5 will have the opportunity to experience the Braveheart's Personal Safety Education Program 'The Ditto Show'. ***If you do not wish your child to attend the show, please notify the office.***

Please Note: Our year six students will be attending a transition to High School session organised by our Guidance Officer.

## End of Year School Concert

**Wednesday 7 December**

Our staff are now starting to prepare for this special evening. If you know you will be unable to attend the evening, please let your child's teacher know so this can be taken into consideration when they are organising the items for the concert.

## Empty Christmas Tree

Our school will support 'Rosies' this Christmas. We encourage students to wrap a small gift of toiletries in clear cellophane and place them under the empty Christmas Tree at the RI Christmas service on Tuesday 29 November. Donations from previous years have been distributed to needy children and we thank parents for their generosity.

## Ten Pin Bowling Competition

Congratulations to the following winners:-

Prep: Chev & Pearl (10) Year 1: Cape (21)

Year 2: Hannah (18)

Year 3 : Andie, Jorja & Max (21)

Year 4: Blake (25)

Year 5: Marcel (22)

Year 6: Jaida & Ivy (23)

## Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will not be open on Monday 21 November as it will be open on Friday 25 November for Prep Orientation Day.

We encourage all parents who currently have students enrolled at the school to avoid the purchase of uniforms on the Orientation Day as our volunteer staff are very busy on that day.

## P & C Library

It is sometimes difficult to know where to turn when life throws you an unexpected challenge.

Our P & C have a Library full of helpful resources that can help you work through these issues.

The library has some comfortable seats nearby or you can see Mrs Trevor before school if you would like to have a loan of a book.



## School Pick up & Drop Off

Please exercise extreme caution when driving or parking in the vicinity of the school. There have been a number of “near misses” lately where drivers have attempted u-turns in front of the school at the T junction of Nielsen and Andrews Streets unaware that there are drivers behind them going straight ahead.

Please continue on until you can safely U-turn at the southern end of Nielsen Street.

## Hearing Clinic

We will be having a Hearing Screening Clinic at the school on Monday 21 November. Consent forms have been sent home with Prep/Year1 students. Other students can also be tested. Please see the office for a form. These must be returned by Friday 11 November. Please prioritise this as hearing is an important element of learning and this clinic is free.

## Congratulations

We congratulate Chloe Mangano (Past Student) for being the winner of the 2016 Junior Technology and Design—Closed Design (Division B) Prize for her Jewellery Box project in the Design and Technology Teachers’ Association Queensland Awards. It is always lovely to hear good news stories from our past students.

## School Swimming P - 2

Swimming continues every Wednesday.

Please don't forget to

- ◆ Bring your swimming bag (togs, towel, goggles, plastic bag) to school every Wednesday
- ◆ Wear a pair of sandals on swimming days that are easy to take on and off.
- ◆ Contact the office by 9am if your child is being picked up from the pool

Please label all clothing (including uniform) with your child's name

## School Swimming Carnival

### Tuesday 6 December

To end our swimming season, the whole school will participate in a School Swimming Carnival at the Gordonvale Pool in the last week of school.

### Term Four Key Dates

Weds	From Oct 26	Swimming lessons P-2 for 6 wks
Fri	Nov 11	Pine Car Derby
Fri	Nov 11	P & C Meeting
Fri	Nov 18	Brave Hearts (P –5)
Tue	Nov 22	Student Leadership Day—Holloway's Beach
Fri	Nov 25	Prep Orientation Morning GSHS Orientation
Tue	Nov 29	RI Christmas Service
Wed	Nov 30	Brainiacs
Fri	Dec 2	P & C Working Bee
Tue	Dec 6	Swimming Carnival
Wed	Dec 7	Christmas Concert
Fri	Dec 9	Last Day of School 2016 Dance Fever Presentation

### Tuckshop Roster

Date	Tuckshop	Home Bake
11 Nov	Tania Cotterell Tammy St George	Sharmaine Mohammed Jenny Bettini