Dear Parents/Caregivers

Bullying is high on the agenda at the moment. As a teaching principal, I investigate every reported incident of bullying or students having spats with lots of screaming, shouting and threats; this encroaches on my teaching time. Students and parents of my class are not happy with this as I am taken away from my class. A lot of rules are broken when this happens.

(Bauple State School Rules are: Learning, Safety, Respect, Communication, Problem Solving and Property.)

We have students, saying “I don’t have to listen to you”. “You can’t tell me what to do”. “It’s not fair”. Are they your children? Do they belong to you: speak with them and ask what the problem is or why are they so unhappy at school?

As your principal and for some class teacher; your child’s happiness and learning is paramount. If your child has changed their liking to go to school – contact the school ASAP. We have a lot of incidents “he said, she said, he said he said, she said she said and there are witnesses who support both parties……………. It is a difficult situation to be placed in.

The first fundraiser for the Student Council is Orange Day; which will be held Friday 22nd March. This day is say NO to bullying. Students can wear orange clothes on this day. More information will be sent out this week.

UNIFORMS
Hats have been going missing this week. I urge all parents to clearly mark your child/ren’s name on all clothing including hats.

At present we have a number of students who are not wearing ROYAL BLUE shorts or shorts. Remember we are a UNIFORM SCHOOL.

At the P&C meeting yesterday, it was discussed that we have black runners and white socks as our uniform. Contact a P&C member and have your say. We will be discussing your views at the next P&C Meeting after Easter.

INTERVIEWS
It has been great to meet parents and discuss their children’s learning goals for Term 2. It’s not too late to have an interview with your child/ren’s teacher.

BAUPLE CROSS COUNTRY
Next Tuesday, we are holding our annual Cross Country, commencing at 9:00am. Come along and show your support by cheering your children on. All students will compete in the race according to their age. To be competitive and be able to be selected to run in the Theebine & District Cross Country trials the children born 2001 & 2002 need to complete the course of 3km in less than 18mins and those born 2003 & 2004 need to complete 2km in less than 14mins.
**EASTER BONNET PARADE**
Next Wednesday, it is our annual Easter Bonnet Parade. We will be starting around 9:15. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. The P&C EASTER RAFFLE will be drawn and the winners of the P&C EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION will be announced. Tuckshop will be holding a sausage sizzle with flavoured milk for first lunch. Cost is $2 per sausage.

**BOOK CLUB**
Please find attached Issue 2 of Book Club. As Term 1 is a short term, orders will not be back until after Easter. Please send all orders and money/or card receipt back to school by Wednesday 27th March. Thank you for your support.

“Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one who gets burned.” -- Buddha

Be Safe, Be Happy
Susan Booth
Principal

**In The Classroom**

**P-2 NEWS**

Last Friday the P-2’s went to the Bauple Museum. It was a long walk on a warm day but students enjoyed seeing artefacts and were excited to find a few items we had been talking about in class. We thank the museum for hosting our visit. We will be doing some follow up activities in the classroom to reflect on what we saw and deepen our understandings.

We have been closely watching our little plants. This is a science experiment to see which factors (sun, heat, water, oxygen) lead to the best and worst growth. There have been some really noticeable changes over the past fortnight. We apologise in advance to the plants that are losing their lives in the name of science but some great learning and discussions have resulted.

This week we started designing and constructing Easter bonnets. The students always enjoy making their unique pieces. We hope to see many if you at the parade next week. Our current sharing time topic is about an Easter Party. Students have been prepared and told us about ideas for costumes, food and games. We have also been doing some cross country training to prepare for next week’s race.

It has been great catching up with many of you during the interviews this week. Please contact me if you would like to schedule a time. It is beneficial touching bases and sharing information during these sessions.

Enjoy the rest of your week.

Jessica Chin

**2-7 NEWS**

The end of the term is quickly approaching. This week it has been good to see so many parents participate in the parent-teacher interviews. Successful learning requires a partnership between students, teachers and parents. The interviews have been an excellent opportunity to reflect on how our students are going and set learning goals for term two. If there is ever any query or concern, please do not hesitate to contact us to organise a time to get together.

In English this week we’ve been busy completing the persuasive texts, ready to move on to the next unit of persuasive speeches. Division and data have been the focus in maths. Last week all grades 3-7 participated in a practice NAPLAN numeracy test. This was to expose our students to the style of the NAPLAN numeracy test and to identify strengths and gaps in the skills and knowledge of maths. We are completing our unit in the biological sciences and completing the assessment tasks.

The mower man came last week so we can finally use the recreation ground! We’ve begun training for the Cross Country run next week. Students are putting in an excellent effort in the mornings. However, it is disappointing to see some students training for a Cross Country Meander as they dawdle around the oval instead of jogging with the rest of the class. A reminder that hats need to be brought to school every day with names clearly printed. We have permanent markers in the classroom if there isn’t one at home.
On Friday students are encouraged to wear orange for ‘Say No to Bullying’ Day. Last Friday was the national day but as the P-2 class had an excursion to the Bauple Museum we postponed our observance of the day until this Friday. Our newly minted student council are organising their first activity by organising the collection of the gold coin donation for the wearing of orange. On the day, for $0.50 a colour, we have students who will hone their skills as hair stylists by spraying orange and blue hair spray. Orange jelly cups will also be available for $0.50 each.

Construction of the Easter Bonnets is well under way. I can’t wait to see the finished products next Wednesday morning. The judging panel will have a difficult time forming the shortlist during the competition.

Susan Booth & Matt Oulds

Student Work
4-7 have been writing Sizzling Starts, where we start writing in the middle of the action. One activity is when one student writes three words on a post-it note. That post-it note is handed to another student and the challenge is to write a sizzling start in two minutes that links those three words.

Three words: dreaming, dream catcher, nightmare

Sizzling Start: I’m dreaming. It’s a nightmare, a terrible nightmare. I’m in the army and the Germans are dropping bombs. I thought there was a rule about women going to the army? I run and run and reach a dead end. I freeze as a bomb drops a meter away and makes me go deaf. I can’t hear it but it falls on me I wake, startled, screaming, frightened. I grip my bed for comfort wondering why the dream catcher didn’t catch that one. It’s over now.

By Isabella Gordon.

WEEKLY AWARDS

‘STUDENTS OF THE WEEK’
Back Row: Cara, Brok, Makayla
Next Row: Jaycob, Elijah, Kane
Front Row: …………… Melody, April, Felicity

‘DOING THE RIGHT THING’
Isabella & Lathan

P&C Assoc. NEWS

Hello everyone welcome to another week. Yesterday we held our monthly general meeting it was very productive. It was decided yesterday that we would have a fundraising meeting on the 16th April; so if you have any ideas please come along and share them and hopefully we can organize some great things for the kids to do.

On the 28th of March P&C President, Treasurer and Secretary along with Mrs Brischke will be attending financial training in Maryborough we hope this helps us run the P&C better.
Don’t forget to get your money for raffle tickets in as it is drawn next week on the 27th, also the colouring-in competition will judged.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE P&C OR WOULD LIKE TO DO SOMETHING PLEASE CONTACT MYSELF OR SUSAN. MY CONTACT DETAILS ARE ON THE NEWS LETTER.

Thank you

Sherry

President

TUCKSHOP

THERE WILL BE A SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR TUCKSHOP NEXT WEEK $2 PER SAUSAGE (WITH ONION) WITH A FREE MILK FOR THE KIDS.
(NO OTHER FOOD WILL BE FOR SALE)

Community News

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CALENDAR

BAUPLE SCHOOL

26 March  Bauple Cross Country – Bauple School 9:00am
27 March  Easter Bonnet Parade
28 March  Last day of Term 1
15 April  First day of Term 2

P&C

27 March  Easter Raffle drawn

COMMUNITY

22 March  Bauple Youth Hangout – Bauple Recreation Centre – 5 – 9pm
23 March  FREE Open Family Fun Day at Gympie Woodworks Museum 10am – 4pm
23 March  Bauple Music Club – Bauple Recreation Oval – 5pm
19 April  Pizza & Movie Night –Lighthouse Christian Church 6:30pm – ‘Flicka’
20 May  Daughters of Destiny women’s event at Lighthouse Christian Church
12 May  ‘Love Mary Day’ – Petrie Park, Tiaro
13 July  Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day