Dear Parents and Students

Thank you to all the parents and friends who joined us last week to celebrate Education Week. As a school community we appreciate the positive comments about the hard work that is undertaken at our school by our students, staff and parent helpers. At the recent QCWA Country of Study celebration day, the ladies of our local QCWA Yangan Branch were full of praise for the efforts of our students in the competition. We thank the QCWA for the opportunity to be a part of this project and in particular Mrs Bernadette Carey, Mrs Debbie Lawrence and Mrs Valerie Todd for the judging of our completed work. Thank you to Mr Jim Pearce and his wife Carolyn and Mr David Cowell for contributing their time to provide information and music about the country of Ireland.

Keep up to date with the latest in Queensland education news and events
Parents and carers can sign up to have the latest education news and events delivered directly to their inbox.

Schools + parents online is a free monthly e-newsletter keeping you up-to-date with what’s happening in education.
Each edition contains stories about the things that you as a parent really want to know such as advice on how to tackle bullying, activities and competitions for your kids and links to helpful websites and resources.
To subscribe to schools + parents online visit the Department of Education and Training website at www.education.qld.gov.au/parents/ and click on the schools + parents online button on the right hand side.

OneSchool
I will be away this Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th June at a workshop on the use of OneSchool. OneSchool is an information management system built for Queensland State Schools. This program supports a school’s core business of learning, teaching and the curriculum by providing functionality for student management, curriculum and learning management, school resource management, financial and asset management and performance and reporting. The OneSchool application is being designed and built in stages with each release adding more functionality.

Staff on Leave
From Monday the 14th June until Friday 23rd July I will be taking leave.
Mr Peter Steward will be the Acting Principal for this time.
Mrs Hempel will be on leave from 21st June to 30th July. Ms Vicki Wood will be her replacement for this leave period.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding your child’s education or any other school related matter, please have no hesitation in contacting the school.

Have a great week
Regards Ian Rathmell
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Gotcha Values Awards

Caring – Aliza Hoffman (for caring about keeping our school a happy place)
Improving – Kimberly McConville (for application and effort with class tasks – movie review, long division) and Catherine Welsh (for thinking and reasoning skills during reading groups)

Gotcha Awards to Bella Hoffman and Meg Eastwell (for impressive responses to movie ‘Rabbit Proof Fence’), Hannah Donges, Andrew Hughes and Kimberly McConville (for application and effort with long division) and Sam Hoffman (for preparing himself for our ‘Spacetrooper’ play).

Reader of the Week – Eli McKinney

Black Belt Recorder Program Awards
Red Belt award to Hannah Donges
Green Belt awards to Eloise Hawes, Ruby Grayson, Andrew Hughes, Angus Croft and Liam Schulz.
Blue Belt award to Kimberly McConville
Orange Belt awards to Travis McArthur, Trevor Edminstone and Eliza Eastwell
Yellow Belt awards to Claire Kelly and Nathan McConville
White Belt award to Serayah Steele

Music Awards – Yellow Music Award to Samuel Laing

Religious Instruction is next week, Wednesday 9 June.

QCWA Project Winners

Prep Year 1 Colouring In
1. Lauren Hutchinson
2. Katie Gimm
3. Chelsea Slatter

Year 2/3 Picture
1. Aliza Hoffman
2. Jordan Draper
3. Monique Draper

Year 4/5 Poster
1. Genevieve Hawes
2. Claire Kelly
3. Sara-Jane Jeffries

Year 6/7 Project
1. Ruby Grayson
2. Isabella Hoffman
3. Meg Eastwell

Year 6/7 Computer Generated Project
1. Angus Croft
2. Hannah Donges
3. Dominic McConville

National Simultaneous Storytelling

Also as part of Education Week, students enjoyed participating in the National Simultaneous Storytelling last Wednesday. The book ‘Little White Dogs can’t Jump’, was read in schools and libraries throughout Australia at 11.00am. Stuffed dogs of all shapes and sizes, and photographs of pet dogs, came to school for the day to join in the celebrations.

Calling all budding photographers

Entries are now open for the 2010 Premier’s Multicultural Photographic awards.

The awards, open to both amateur and professional photographers, celebrate Queensland’s cultural diversity through images.

Entry is open in four categories – five to 12 year olds, 13 to 18 year olds, an open category and a creative category.

Cash prizes, photographic equipment and mentoring by a photojournalist are on offer for the winners and shortlisted entries in each category.

Encourage the budding photographer in your family to enter. Entry is free and closes Friday 23 July.

For more information visit Multicultural Affairs Queensland website at www.multicultural.qld.gov.au

Irish Jokes

Q. How did Irish dancing get started?
A. Too much to drink, not enough toilets!

Zack Locke
**P&C News.**

**URGENT Help Needed!**

Families are needed to sell raffle tickets at the Yangan Hotel on a Friday night. The P&C is rostered to sell tickets once every 4 or 5 weeks. If we can get enough families, you would only be rostered once in 3 to 4 months and you can combine with another family if you wish. Rostered dates are: 25 June, 30 July, 3 Sept, 8 Oct, 12 Nov, 17 Dec. Please leave your name with Carolyn in the office if you can help in this way. Thank you to those families already committed: Croft, McIvor, Reid, Donges, Welsh, Gimm, Mazoudier. Please swap with another family if the date you are rostered is unsuitable.

**Showcase regional winners announced**

Congratulations to the 60 Queensland state school programs announced as regional winners in the Showcase Awards for Excellence in Schools during State Education Week last week. Each winner was awarded a $1000 development grant. Regional Award winners will now take part in state judging, where 24 finalists will receive a further $5000 development grant.

For a list of Regional Award winners visit the [Showcase Awards website](#).

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**Irish Day Celebrations**
Community News

WANTED!
Ice cream containers (with or without lids), small buckets, margarine containers. Phone Lyn 4664 8476

BUSH CHILDRENS’ WARWICK is offering the FRIENDS FOR LIFE Program
FRIENDS FOR LIFE is a program aimed at teaching positive coping skills and building resilience to help children with worries and concerns both now and in later life.

- Program is run over 12 weeks for Years 1&2 and 10 weeks for Yrs 3&4
- Commencing Tues 8 June (Yrs 1&2), Wed 9 June (Yrs 3&4)
- Girls Group is for girls in Yr 1&2 and Yr 3&4 in 2010
- Parent involvement is strongly recommended
- 3.30 – 4.30 (Yr 1&2) and 3.30 – 5pm (Yrs 3&4) at Bush Children’s Centre 47 Guy Street
- Cost: approx $26.00 (Yrs1&2) and $20 (Yrs 3&4) (workbook can be purchased at Bush Children’s)
- Register early – Limited spaces

For registration and more information please call Bush Children’s Centre on Ph 4667 1200

Mobile Women’s Health Service
Kathryn Anning (Mobile Women’s Health Nurse) will be at the Killarney & District Aged Care Facility on Wednesday 9 June from 9am to 3pm. This is a FREE service!. For information and bookings, please phone the Aged Care Facility on 4664 1488

Nutrimetics – Biggest Morning Tea Lipstick Drive
May is the Cancer Council Queensland’s biggest morning tea month – we have decided to do our Biggest ever Lippy Drive with $1.00 from each lipstick sale going towards the Cancer Council Queensland. Our target is $10,000.00 to donate. We really need your help! Please call in to the school and place your order from the catalogue available there. Olwyn Mauch 4666 1611

Little Dresses for Africa
Do you have any pillowcases you don’t need hiding in the back of the cupboard? Why not give them a new home. Little Dresses for Africa is looking for pillowcases to make dresses. Put a smile on a special little girl’s face. Also accepting pieces of material you aren’t going to use or pieces of elastic bigger than 30cm (all those little bits hanging around). Please leave at the school office in the box for Vicki to collect, sew up and have them shipped to the Little Dresses for Africa office. Volunteers personally deliver them to the girls. The material is made up to britches for boys, so they don’t miss out either. Any questions to Vicki Wood 46611796.

Warwick Primary Chess Afternoon
Thursday, 10 June 3.30pm – 4.30pm at Warwick Christian College, 62 Canningvale Road, Warwick. RSVP by 9 June to 4661 7754

Quotable Quote
'Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results!'
Albert Einstein