Dear Parents and Caregivers
Welcome to the week 6 newsletter. At the moment teachers have been undertaking lots of professional learning which will continue this fortnight. This includes leadership and communication training, work around professional standards and improving writing outcomes for children.

NAPLAN
The Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN results have been sent home today with students. The school will use individual results and trends in our school plan to better meet student needs. Teachers are happy to discuss individual tests with parents but ask that you make an appointment with the office.

Small School Big Impact Concert 26 August
Students need to bring clothes in ASAP for the school item at the Small Schools Big Impact Concert. They need black pants or tights and a long sleeve black t-shirt. We are sticking decorations to the clothes and need them here to ensure we can do this. Tickets are available for presale from the Saraton for $3 each. A separate note has gone home with every student today with details of your child’s specific group, clothing and hair requirements.

Athletics Carnival
Congratulations to Jarret and Alec, who had a successful Mid North Coast Athletics Carnival. They will be representing the school in long jump at the North Coast Athletics Carnival. We wish them luck.

CSI 2016
South Grafton High School will be running the CSI (Clarence Science Initiative) again in 2016 for Gifted and Talented Year 5 and 6 students. If you are interested in your child taking part next year please see the office for an application form. Important dates for applications are outlined below:

· 20/8/2015 Information evening held at SGHS Library from 5.30-6.00pm.
· 31/8/2015 Applications for CSI 2016 close at 3.00pm.
· 11/9/2015 Entry testing day SGHS Hall 9am - 12pm.
· 02/11/2015 Students advised this week of outcome of application.

Fruit & Veg Month
Lawrence Public School will be celebrating Fruit and Veg month from Monday 24 August to Friday 18 September. Schools around NSW will be participating. This year’s theme is ‘Let’s Go Green!’ ‘Let’s Go Green’ is all about eating more fruit and vegetables (of course!) and being sustainable with food waste.

As part of this a lunch box challenge will be sent home each week with every child. As children complete the challenge class teachers will hand out class awards at their discretion. Also as children bring in vegetables as part of their crunch and sip, special stickers will be added to their class vegie chart. At the end of the month the class with the most stickers will receive a special class award!

To coincide with Fruit and Veggie Month Lawrence Public School is participating in THE BIG VEGIE CRUNCH. The vegie crunching record attempt is coming to schools in Northern NSW on Thursday the 27th of August at 11am. There are currently over 10 000 kids participating! With only 6% of Australians eating 5 serves of vegetables each day adding vegies to the lunchbox is a great way to increase your child’s (& your own) daily intake! Cherry tomatoes, corn, carrot, cucumber, beans, snow peas, capsicum, mushrooms & broccoli all make great lunchbox snacks. The school will be providing the vegies however you are welcome to bring your own vegie snack that day. Remember that vegies can be a part of your child’s crunch and sip!

Tea Towel fundraiser
The students have drawn the pictures for the P&C tea towel fundraiser. If you haven’t yet purchased your tea towel you can do so this week.

Uniform
Thankyou to all parents who returned the survey on student uniforms. We had an overwhelming majority interested in changing the uniform to the current sport uniform and adding a new hoodie style jumper. We will investigate with suppliers the possibility of these changes and keep you posted.
Premier’s Spelling Challenge

Students will take part in the Premier’s Spelling Challenge this year, with the school based competition taking place during Week 8 this term. While all stage 1, 2 and 3 students will take part at school, it is the winning students in stage 2 and 3 who will then go on to the regional level at Maclean Public School on 17 September 2015. There are lists of words available to practice should your child want them.

Assembly

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates at our assembly on Monday 10 August.

K/1 – Bryson, Willow and Cody.
2/3 – Georgie, Leni and Marcus.
4/5/6 – Jazlynn Angus Casey and Isabel.

Congratulations to our Bronze Award recipient Selba - Also a huge congratulation to our first Silver Award recipients: Eloise, Nate, Lincoln, Bodhi, Willow, Jack, Bryson, Ryan and Claire.

Our next assembly will be Monday 31 August at 2:20pm with K/1 presenting an item. Everyone is welcome.

Jacqui Menzies
Principal

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following children who have completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Thalia, Aaron, Isabel, Jocelyn, Marcus, Eloise, Nate, Cody, Selba, Lincoln, Lily, Sonny, Palmer, Jack, Bodhi, Phoebe, Scott, Willow, Bryson, Ryan, Olivia, Zoe, Justine and Jack. The Challenge is finished for the year. Special PRC awards will be given out in term 4.

Canteen 24 August 2015 - Duty: Michelle Power - Casson and Mel Purtill.
Canteen 31 August 2015 - Duty: Kate Billin, Sonia Michael and Katie Brown.

P&C News

Raffle - Each family recently received a book of ten raffle tickets for the end of year raffle. Please return book and money as soon as it is sold. Also extra books are available if you would like to sell more.

FOR SALE - The P&C has a Fisher & Paykel 163 litre chest freezer for sale. It is priced at $200.00 or near offer. Please contact Michelle if you are interested in this item.

Community News

Sandi and Neil Parsons wish to thank L.P.S teachers, parents and students for their education, friendship and support over the years. They wish to invite all down to the Lawrence park this Saturday at 1 pm for a sausage sizzle. B.Y.O. Also contact Sandi if you are interested in uniforms.

These advertisements are accepted in good faith and the school does not vet them. Parents are advised to request further information or credentials from the advertiser, if they seek product use or participation in the activity.

Clarence Family Day Care - Margaret Whalan has vacancies for before & after school care and for Thursday for children from 15mths of age. Child care rebate and benefit is available to eligible parents. Phone Margaret on 6647 7198 for further information.

Jessica Wright Hair Studio 308 Kings Creek Rd, Lawrence 0439752586 Talk or text for an appointment.

Brushgrove Cricket Club

Brushgrove Cricket Club is looking for junior cricket players to come join them it’s comeback team into the Lower Clarence Junior Cricket Associations 2015/16 competition.

WHO: Boys under 12 years and Girls under 14 years (as of 1st Sept 2015)
WHAT: Junior Cricket Sign On
WHERE: Brushgrove Oval
WHEN: Saturday 12th September 10am to 12pm
BRING: Hat, Sunscreen and a Drink
COST: $50 per family and $5 match fee each player each week.

Also: We will have the kids Bowling Machine setup so the kids can have a go.

Some great Poster giveaways thanks to All Major Manufactures.

All equipment supplied but please bring your own if you have some. Training has now commenced so please contact Brendan on 0408 924 020 or like our Facebook page Brushgrove Cricket Club Juniors if you would like to know when and where.

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