**11th June 2015**

**Principals Message**

**Athletics Day**

We would like to invite you all to our 2015 Athletics Day carnival. It is on **Wednesday the 17th of June**. Please come and join in the fun on this day.

- **Reminder - No Tuckshop on Athletics day**

**Student Council Raffle**

Our student council have put together a food basket to raffle to help raise funds to pay for the senior school camp. Tickets will be on sale from Friday and the winner will be drawn the week before camp. (First week back Term 3). Tickets are $1 each.

Tickets will also be on sale on Monday the 15th June at the IGA. Good Luck.

**Reporting**

Reports will be distributed on Wednesday 24th June in the last week of Term 2.

Reporting is part of communicating with parents and building the school-parent partnership to improve student learning. School reporting processes are clear and transparent for parents, so they understand:

- the learning expectations for the student
- the student’s achievement against expected standards
- how well the student is engaging with the expected learning
- how the student may be able to improve.

In addition to providing written reports at least twice a year, schools offer parents opportunities to discuss their child’s educational performance at the school with their child’s teacher(s). Each school has established procedures in place for parent-teacher interviews.

**Parking at the end of the school day**

We are aware of the growth in student numbers at Scottville this year as well as the need to pick students up safely. However, cars are being parked on our local residents verges (driveway boundaries) and causing damage and endangering the view of pedestrians.

We would like to request that parents do not park in front of occupied premises. Parking is available in the bus stop area and on the school side of the road, right up to the corner of sixth Street.

We are currently talking to the council to alleviate our parking problems and appreciate your support at this time.

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**DATE** | **ACTIVITY** | **WHO**
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12/06/2015 | Spinal Visit | Everyone
15/06/2015 | School Cleaners Day | Cleaners
17/06/2015 | Scottville Athletics Day | Everyone
19/06/2015 | RSPCA visit | Everyone
24/06/2015 | Report cards out | Students

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**Every Day Counts. Our goal is 95%**

**We achieved 92.6% in Week 8 – T2**

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See our notice boards for up and coming events and information

Our behaviour focus for the coming week is ‘BE RESPECTFUL’

I can say please and thank you.

I take turns in class.

I speak to others with respect.

I respect myself by doing my best.

I respect the environment by putting my rubbish in the bin.

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Regards

Rowan Coffey

Principal

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**No Parking on Verge**
The power of the kitchen table

“It’s no coincidence that those countries with strong food cultures also have strong families. When people eat together they talk. You can’t help but talk when your behind is anchored to a chair.”

The kitchen table is a parent’s best friend. It’s where conversations occur. It’s where thoughts are aired, compliments are given and food is shared.

If you want to get a window into a child’s world then you need to sit around the kitchen table with him or her.

When I was a kid mum always made sure there’d be some food on the table when I came home from school. As soon as I came through the back door I’d throw my school bag in my room and come and sit down at the kitchen table to eat.

Mum used to sit at the kitchen table and have a cuppa at the same time. She always did.... or it’s seems like she did. My most vivid memories are sitting around the kitchen table with her.

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People attach emotions to locations.

People attach feelings to different places. I’d like to think my family links happy, joyous feelings to our kitchen table. After all we’ve had plenty of birthdays, Christmases, fantastic dinners, big breakfasts and countless other gatherings around our kitchen table.

The kitchen table anchors my now adult kids back to their childhoods and gives them a sense of belonging. That’s why the kitchen table is the first place they go to when they come home for a visit. They feel at home again.

On my trips to England I’ve noticed that the English don’t use the kitchen table like Aussies do. In fact, about a third of English homes don’t have a kitchen table at all. Many families eat in shifts and in front of the television.

English educators are concerned. They want their parents to talk to their kids more. They know when parents talk with their kids they enrich their vocabularies, and better still, influence their thinking.

They know that the kitchen table is a powerful ally in creating talk between the generations. That’s why they are encouraging people to sit at the kitchen table more.

The power of the kitchen table is immense. Don’t underestimate it or underestimate it!

You can build kids’ confidence around it. You can build their character around it. You can build resilience too. Better still, you can build a family around the kitchen table and that’s quite a feat.

Making mealtimes memorable

1. Turn your evening meal into a night out at home. Once a week dust off the best knives and forks and set the table in style complete with serviettes and candlesticks. Try waiting on your family restaurant style and impress on kids that they can use their best manners.

2. Serve from the table. Turn a simple meal into a communal activity by putting serving plates on the table, and plating up from the kitchen table. Kids usually stay longer when food is served this way.

3. Any excuse for a celebration. Look for reasons to celebrate with a sit down meal where everyone is expected to join in. Birthdays, term break-up days or a great school report are worth recognizing in this way.
WEEK 7 TERM 2
Student of the Week:
Prep/Yr 1 - Annabelle Simpson
Yrs 2/3 - Karmen Fisher
Yrs 4/5/6 - Lexi Jones

Pride in the Classroom Award - Year 2/3
John Villegas, Claudia Lee and Ella Binkley (Absent)

Safety Awards:
Pride in the Classroom Award - Year 2/3
Angel Morgan
Alana Goody
Jade Goldston

Principal's Award:
HPE:
Gotcha:

WEEK 8 - TERM 2
Student of the Week: L to R
Yrs 2/3 - Alexis Behan
Yrs 4/5/6 - Harmony Fletcher
Prep/Yr 1 - Jade

Pride in the Classroom Award Yr Prep - One
Skylar, Makayla Grant, Milliana Jones

Safety Awards:
Pride in the Classroom Award - Year 2/3
Darius Palangat
Joanna Villegas
Robert Diprose
Skylar, Makayla Grant, Milliana Jones

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Over the last couple of weeks Running club has been successful with new faces popping up each week. The kids have been learning to run more efficiently and have been involved in drills, beep tests, laps and the never ending suicide runs.

With the aid of Mrs Lyn West for our greener oval, the running track, shot-put and discus area will sure to be in use in the coming weeks as well!

If you would still like to join (Yr 3-6) come see me for a Running club note
Congratulations to our Reading Ranger Award Recipients for June 2015.

Congratulations to Lexie Jones, Caley Fordham and Brayden Grant.

The students showed an excellent effort in reading everyday and filling in their reading log everyday.
Thank you to the Bowen River Rodeo volunteers who helped at the gate and in the canteen. Lyn West, Chrisop Drinkwater, Barb Diprose, Susan Carmody, Karla Fisher, Helen Sawyer, Hayley Drinkwater, Brooke Groocock-Collett, and Jenna Widt. Your efforts were very much appreciated. Without these people supporting us, P & C could not raise the funds required to subsidise the upcoming school camp.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS AND JACKETS

We now have a full stock of school uniforms shirts and dresses at $25 each and school jumpers $25 in the office. The dresses now have our school logo on them. All sizes are in stock. Please see the office for your requirements.

CONGRATULATIONS JACK!

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