Welcome back to Term 4!

It was an enjoyable conclusion to Term 3 when we rewarded students for their exceptional demonstration of our high academic and behaviour standards by taking them to the new water park in Bowen. The beach play was a hit and so too was the ‘red’ food Macca’s lunch to help us celebrate a successful term.

During the last few weeks of Term 3 students were involved in the Education Alliance production - Saving Crystal Creek in which students role played and improvised in the engaging and educational performance. The full day workshop coincided with the end of their term long environmental study in SOSE and further emphasised our need to support and protect nature’s beauties. A whole school effort to reducing our power usage in addition to the instalment of 31 new solar panels on our hall roof has seen a second consecutive drop in our electricity bill charges.

Word Mania was also launched last term with the challenge to find the school’s best speller. All year our whole school approach to spelling has brought student success and spelling improvements and so an end of term spelling bee was hosted. To read more about the event, see main story on the right.

Term 4 is a crucial time for 2013 Prep families to get in their enrolment forms and assist their child in preparing for school. We will be inviting all enrolled preps for 2013 to our upcoming transition days. This means we need your enrolment forms back to provide you with the required information. Contact the school for details on 47 855 288 or jump on our website – www.scottvilss.eq.edu.au

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Last term we conducted our first Word Mania Competition which challenged all students across all the spelling rules and words they had learned in Term 3 in order to find the best speller in the school. This was an enjoyable event and one which saw a number of finalists go head to head in a battle of words. Rapidly the finalists were knocked out until we were left with Ellie Collins, Dorothy Vallada and Katrina Diprose who all proceeded to the next round many times. Finally Katrina prevailed as the winner and all finalists received a certificate. Great work across the whole school and I really look forward to seeing how everyone goes at the conclusion of spelling for this term.

CRYSTAL CREEK CARERS
Students watch on as the scene unfolds and they learn that Traviston Rivers is going to smuggle the animals out of the country.
In the next scene all students improvise two massive bulldozers and cut him off prior to getting away with the truck full of animals.

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All enrolled students will be invited to attend a number of orientation days to become familiar with the school, the people and the routines we have here at Scottville State School.

A good turnout of interested parents attended the Prep and Early Years Information event at the school. It was the initial information session for parents to get a first-hand look at how students in the Early Years start to develop an understanding of sounds, letter association, reading fundamentals and the basics of writing and spelling. We will be teaching these practices through the ideologies of Jolly Phonics to give kids the best start in developing the skills required to be successful readers and learners. Please collect an enrolment package from the school if you wish to enrol your child in Prep for 2013.

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