Principal’s Messages ~ The School Information booklet is included with this week’s newsletter.

P&C Committee
The P&C Annual General Meeting was held last Tuesday. Thank-you to those that attended. There were some productive discussions with the P&C again looking to provide great support for the school and students in 2013. Our P&C executive is:

President Sally Houghton Vice-President Kirsty Wood Secretary Cathy Simpson Treasurer Nicole Blackley

At our next P&C meeting to be held on Tuesday, 12 March, we will be discussing major P&C activities for the year. We hope you can come along and support.

Student Leaders
Congratulations to newly-elected student leaders for 2013, Kiefer O and Shannon S (School Captains), Aylish D and Leah B (School Vice-Captains), and House Captains Rick W (Beatty), Nicole J (Gibson), and Damon W (Thompson). Corps of Drums and Strings Group leaders will be announced soon.

Touch Trials
Well done to Sam H, Billy A, Aylish D and Tyler W who participated in the Bundaberg Zone touch trials, last week. All acquitted themselves well, with Aylish D being selected for the Bundaberg girls’ team. Congratulations, Aylish.

Swimming Lessons
Students in Years 1, 2 & 3 will be commencing swimming lessons at the ANZAC Pool in Bundaberg this Friday, 22 February.

Students are required to bring a swimming bag, togs, sun shirt and towel, and contribute $3 to help cover pool entry and bus transport costs. Parents may make a single payment of $15 for 5 weeks of swimming, if preferred.

Cross Country
Our interhouse cross country carnival will be held on the last day of term. All students from Prep to Year 7 compete in age-appropriate distances. Training commences over the next couple of weeks.

After School Sport
Active After School Table Tennis commenced last Wednesday. Cricket will now begin next Monday, 25 Feb, due to the wet weather delaying the start. The registration form was sent home last week with the Informer. Students can be registered at any time.

Tuckshop Commences
Tuckshop commences this Wednesday, 20 February. A tuckshop menu is included with this Informer. We have had a positive response to the request for volunteers. Thank-you to parents for the offer of support.

Jeff Searle

School Calendar
Feb 20 (Wed) Tuckshop commences
Feb 22 (Fri) Swimming Year 1, 2/3 and 3/4 Interschool Sport vs Sharon (at home)
Feb 25 (Mon) After School Cricket commences 3.00-4.00pm
March 12 (Tue) P&C Meeting
March 28 (Thur) Last day of term / Interhouse Cross Country

Weekly Assembly is on Thursday mornings in the library 9.00-9.30am All parents welcome

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If parents require a copy of the School Information booklet, please go to the office to collect a copy.
A Message from Gin Gin Little Athletics

We will still be going ahead with our sign-on on Saturday, 16th March 8.30am at the IGA.

Thanks to the many people that have helped or are helping us to get back on our feet after the flood damage.

Thank-you.

Jackie Walker 0429381936

FREE Cartooning Workshops
Shane Foley is an awesome local cartoonist and he’ll be running drawing workshops at BRAG (Bundaberg Regional Art Gallery).

In this workshop children will use a range of drawing materials and cartooning techniques to develop a lead character and storyline.

You can see a sample of Shane’s work on his website http://shanefoley.net/

Activities are FREE. No bookings required.

Children must be supervised at all times.

Cartooning Workshops at BRAG
Primary Students:
Tues 19 February 4.00 – 5.00pm
Thurs 21 February 4.00 – 5.00pm
Sun 24 February 11am – 12 noon

High School Students:
Wed 20 February, 4.00 – 6.00pm
Fri 22 February, 4.00 – 6.00pm
Sun 24 February, 1.00 – 3.00pm

UnitingCare Community’s Workshops

Rollercoasters
Children

An eight week program to assist children with the task of adjusting to family change. Each session helps children explore the dilemmas faced when parents separate.

When: Wednesday February 27, 2013 (8 week duration)
Time: 3.30pm to 5.00pm
Age group: 7 to 12 years
Contact: UnitingCare Community on 4153 8400

I am me and that’s OK!
Life Skills

A workshop designed to help break negative thought patterns, deal with the inner critic and cope with negative people.

When: Wednesday February 27, 2013 (1 x 3hr Session)
Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm
Cost: $10.00 per person
Contact: UnitingCare Community on 4153 8400

Headlice Alert!

On Friday a case of headlice was reported in the school.
Please follow up at home by checking your child’s hair and treating appropriately. This way we can try to keep any headlice incidents to a minimum.

Thanks for helping make our school headlice free!!