Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, a big thank-you to all staff and parents who I have had any dealings with over the past couple of weeks. I have felt a lot of support in my role as Acting Principal and it has been a pleasure to have had this opportunity.

To all parents dropping their children off in the morning and/or picking up in the afternoons, please ensure that you are not parking in the bus zone, double parking or completing illegal u-turns in front of the school. It is not only upsetting the ease of flow at busy times, it is also encouraging students not to use the crossing where appropriate parking is for parents to pick up and drop off. The Police have been monitoring this and will continue to do so over the next few weeks.

A big congratulations to Storm in 6/7SH who competed in the State Athletics Carnival. She has displayed a wonderful dedication to her sport and has represented both Pomona State School and the Noosa District with pride.

Just a reminder that organisation of classes for 2015 has commenced. You would have received a yellow form explaining how we determine classes and how you as parents/carers can provide input into that process. Please send the form back to the office by Friday 31st October. If you have any questions regarding the process please don’t hesitate to contact me, or Jacque Wright on her return.

For all the grandparents at the school “Happy Grandparents Day”. There will be a special day planned for next week.

“What children need most are the essentials that grandparents provide in abundance. They give unconditional love, kindness, patience, humor, comfort, lessons in life. And, most importantly, cookies.” – Rudy Giuliani

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Voluntary Contribution

Thank you to the parents/caregivers who have to date contributed a total of $4,800 as part of the 2014 voluntary contribution scheme, which we have set a target of $6,900. We are two thirds towards reaching our target. If you are unsure if you have made your 2014 contribution, please email/ask Rob (rjack96@eq.edu.au) in the office.

These funds help supplement Government provided funds to the school to purchase additional resources in the Library, Reading Room, HPE/Sports equipment and assist with running of programs such as Music, Swimming, LOTE, Gifted and Talented.

Signing Students Out Early

A reminder that should you need to sign your student out early, you need to come to the office to sign them out and office staff will arrange for your student/s to be sent to the office.

Parking – Administration/Staff Car Park

Please limit parking in the delivery/handicapped parking space, particularly at morning and afternoon times to emergencies or authorised persons only. Please note the Staff Car Park is for staff and authorised persons – they know who they are. And this is a car park, particularly busy 8:00-8:30 and 2:30-3:15, it is not a public thoroughfare. Students in particular SHOULD NOT be walking through to access the Pool or Hall, please show the way by using the pedestrian access to both. There have been a couple of near misses lately and we don’t want to have anyone injured or worse.

Rob

P & C NEWS

POMONA IN THE PARK RAFFLE

Each year at Pomona in the Park our P&C runs a fundraising raffle in which the multiple prizes are drawn on the night. Donations of items / vouchers suitable for prizes in this raffle will be gratefully received so please contact P&C via the email address below if you are able to make a donation. Donors will be acknowledged on the night (27 November), through this newsletter and on our Facebook page, which can be a great way of promoting your family business.

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Our last school disco for the year will be a Halloween disco, held on Friday 31st October. Parent volunteers are needed on the night to help with supervision and the canteen, as this disco cannot run without enough parent helpers. Please see Glenda at the tuckshop or email P&C if you can help.

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Also discussed at our last P&C meeting was the proposed change of uniform supplier (in light of concerns raised about the fit of the current supplier’s shorts and shorts). Samples of the proposed new supplier’s uniforms were presented at the meeting and have been left at the tuckshop for comment. This issue will be discussed again at our next P&C meeting.

UNIFORM SHOP STOCKTAKE SALE

Limited sizes of Polar fleece jumpers and Red & Blue house shirts are being sold at below cost – all items $12. Please see Glenda in the tuckshop/ uniform shop.

OUR NEXT P&C MEETING: 1PM MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER

in the Outside School Hours Care Building

All welcome to attend!

Please email any agenda items you would like to have discussed to psspande@hotmail.com

Caring, Sharing and Achieving Together
**DATE CLAIMERS!!**

**OCTOBER**

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**DAY FOR DANIEL**

*Friday 31st October.* **Wear Red to School** and bring a gold coin donation.

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**HALLOWEEN DISCO!!**

*When: Friday 31st October*
*Where: School Hall*

*What time:  Prep to Year 3 from 5.30 to 7pm*
*Year 4 to Year 7 7.15pm to 9pm*
*Cost $5*

*The theme of the night is Halloween. Come dressed in your scariest costume!!*

*Sausage sizzle $2*
*Lollies 50c – $1 Chocolates $1 – $2*
*Chips $1 – $2 Plain water $1.50*
*Illuminated water bottles $3.50*
*Soft drinks $2 Popcorn cups 50c*

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!**

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**HOT 91.1’S APPLE FOR THE TEACHER**

HOT 91.1’s new competition to recognise and reward the hard working teachers of the Sunshine Coast is **Hot91.1’s Apple for the Teacher**, with the help of NCIS Computers, is asking the families of the Sunshine Coast to nominate their favourite Primary School teacher and give one of the hardest working occupations the recognition it deserves!


Nominate them now and they could win a new iPad, your entire class could win an iPod Shuffle and your school could win an iMac computer!

Kind regards,

**ASHLEA GIERKE**

HOT91.1 PROMOTIONS AND MARKETING MANAGER / DRIVE ANNOUNCER 3-6PM WEEKDAYS
ENRICHMENT NEWS

ICAS COMPETITION RESULTS FOR 2014

Every year students from Years 2 – 7 elect to participate in a series of academic competitions in a variety of curriculum areas. These competitions are in addition to their school work. The students complete exam papers that are marked by the University of New South Wales. Our students have received some outstanding results in the Computer Skills, Science, Spelling, Writing, English and Mathematics Competitions.

It was wonderful to see so many students challenge themselves this year. Each one of them deserves a big pat on the back for their efforts. Congratulations to everyone who participated and listed below are students who received High Distinctions (top 1%), Distinctions (next 10%), Credits (next 25%) or Merits (next 10%) for their tests. These children were rated against students from all around Australia.

COMPUTER SKILLS
MERIT – Parker D and Tara L
CREDIT – Thomas A, Sam Hand Sam S
DISTINCTION – Cathryn Q’s score was in the top 11% of Year 7 and Curtis D’s score was in the top 10% of Year 4.

SCIENCE
MERIT – Parker D, Jedd T and Kate H
CREDIT – Kallisty A, Cathryn Q, Tara L, Curtis D and Sam S
DISTINCTION – Brayden F’s score was in the top 8% of Year 5.

HIGH DISTINCTION – Rhys B’s score was in the top 1% of Year 5. An incredible achievement, Rhys!

WRITING
MERIT – Tara L
CREDIT – Thomas A, Amy B, Malika W and Harry O
DISTINCTION – Curtis D’s score was in the top 9% of Year 4, Kate H’s score was in the top 8% of Year 3 and Georgia L’s score was in the top 2% of Year 6.

SPELLING
MERIT – Bianca O and Maddison M
CREDIT – Harry O, Max T and Parker D
DISTINCTION – Cathryn Q’s score was in the top 9% of Year 7, Thomas A’s score was in the top 7% of Year 3 and Brayden F’s score was in the top 2% of Year 5.

ENGLISH
MERIT – Jayden A, Malika W, Max T, Georgia L, Adara C and Curtis D.
CREDIT – Parker D, Sam S, Justin J, Holly B, Bianca O, Tara L and Zachary M
DISTINCTION – Thomas A’s score was in the top 9% of Year 3, Cathryn Q’s score was in the top 8% of Year 7 participants and Alana V’s score was in the top 5% of Year 2 students.

MATHEMATICS
MERIT – Kallisty A, Zachary M, Thomas A, Cody R, Curtis D, Cathryn Q and Maz T
CREDIT – Tara L, Lachlan N, Brayden F and Kate H
DISTINCTION – Sam S’s score was in the top 8% of Year 5 and Rhys B’s score was in the top 2% of Year 5.

We look forward to participating in the ICAS competitions again in 2015. A letter regarding this event will be sent home in early Term 1.

CHESS TOURNAMENT BEGINS

The annual Pomona School Chess Tournament is progressing well. So far students in Years 4, 5 and Prep have played their first round. Next week Years 2, 3, 6 and 7 will complete their first games. The Computer Lab has been ‘buzzing’ with excitement, as chess enthusiasts enjoy playing one of the oldest and most popular games in the world. Tournament Games are scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Computer Lab.

Kathy Lavender
Enrichment Teacher

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

If you are one of the few families who do not receive your fortnightly newsletter and other notices electronically via email, please consider letting the office know of your email address. Also, if your email address has recently changed, please advise us of your new email address. This is an environmentally friendly method of receiving newsletters and notices and it ensures you keep up to date with what is going on around the school. Please drop your email address into the office or email Kim on admin@pomonass.eq.edu.au
**Getting Ready for Prep in 2015**

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<td><strong>Thursday - 30th October 2014</strong>&lt;br&gt;9.00am – 10.00am</td>
<td><strong>Pre Prep Session</strong> — for Students (with parents attending)&lt;br&gt;A wonderful way for your child to become familiar with the class setting and teachers that they will encounter when they commence prep.&lt;br&gt;<em>Mrs Thompson’s classroom</em>. Sign in at the office first.&lt;br&gt;Bring shoes and a hat.</td>
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<td><strong>KidsMatter Transition Workshop</strong> (Session One) — for parents&lt;br&gt;Parent workshop aimed at preparing and supporting parents and carers to assist their child in transitioning into formal school.&lt;br&gt;In the Library.</td>
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<td><strong>Early November</strong></td>
<td>2015 Booklist sent home.&lt;br&gt;Quick and easy way to organise stationery for your child. Ensure that you order the items through the local newsagent as advised.</td>
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<td><strong>Tuesday - 9th December 2014</strong>&lt;br&gt;9.30am – 10am</td>
<td><strong>Meet the Teacher.</strong>&lt;br&gt;For <em>student and parents</em> to meet their child’s teacher for 2015.&lt;br&gt;In the relevant classroom.</td>
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<td><strong>Tuesday - 27 January 2015</strong></td>
<td><strong>First Day of School 2015!</strong>&lt;br&gt;“Tears, Tissues and Tim Tams” in the Library 8.50am.&lt;br&gt;It’s a time to chat with other parents and “let go” of your child for the day! It also allows your child’s teacher to provide settling in time with the class.&lt;br&gt;For parents after they have dropped their child off!</td>
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For further details contact:<br>*Principal: Mr. Mick Byrne, Pomona State School, Station Street, Pomona*<br>*OR Acting Head of Student Services: Jacque Wright*<br>(*Phone 5480 8222*)
Have you ever been to the Cooran Acoustic Night?

Showcasing local and visiting talent for 26 years this is an event not to be missed! On 30th August from 7pm in the beautiful Cooran Hall this intimate night is an opportunity for casual, emerging and established musicians to share their songs and skills with an audience that really listens. As musically diverse as it gets, the evening boasts a delicious cafe and serves up a spontaneous line up of performers for an affordable $4. It’s very family friendly and we hope to see you there. Find us on Facebook for more details.

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Let’s find out who is THE CHAMPION!!!

RAFFLE AND TABLE PRIZES

WHEN? SATURDAY 25TH October
Comencing at 6.30 pm with the first question.

WHERE? POMONA MEMORIAL HALL,
RESERVE STREET, POMONA

COST? $10 per person,
BYO Nibbles – Drinks available at the Bar
Tea Coffee complimentary

All Proceeds go to LIONS CLUB PROJECTS

Christmas is coming, so wear your best Christmas Hat and win a prize. Judging by popular acclaim.

To book a table, phone: Joanne 54425777 Or Coral 54853236
Sunshine Butterflies have been successful in raising funds to secure their future in buying a 5 acre property - Our Backyard - in Cooroibah. We have our members, community, board, sponsor’s donations and Foresters Community Finance to thank for their belief in Sunshine Butterflies’ raising funds to secure the loan.

Our Backyard will deliver hobby farm activities, horticulture and Animal Care Therapy programs. We are currently renovating the existing house to become a respite facility and will be building new office space and an art barn to continue our art, music, woodwork and cooking programs.

We now are asking our community where they can assist us with...

- Air Conditioning
- Bathroom, Kitchen, Laundry Materials & Plumbing
- BBQ & Pizza Oven
- Carpets
- Chainsaw
- Coffee Barista Machine
- Deck Roof Covering
- Farm Animal Yarding & Stables
- Farm Animals
- Floor Tiling
- Fridge & Freezer
- Fruit Trees
- Gardening Equipment, Shovels & Rakes
- Herbs
- Irrigation Pumps
- IT & Phone System
- Kitchen Semi Commercial
- Landscaping & Supplies
- Lighting & Electrical
- Lounge Machine Use eg. Bobcat, Excavator
- Microwave
- Mini Skip Bins
- Mower – Ride On
- Office Furniture
- Paint
- Pavers
- Plants
- Plaster Board
- Playground
- Pool Equipment
- Pool Fencing
- Pool Heating
- Property Clearing & Tree Lopping
- Security Doors
- Security Windows
- Shed for Activities
- Sheds – Barn Shed, Machinery Shed, Feed / Stock Shed
- Sign Writing Company
- Toilet Amenities
- Turf
- TV / Presentation Screen
- Window Coverings
- Workwear for Outdoors

All Donations & Sponsors will receive recognition for their assistance. Please call us for more details if you feel you might be able to help.

5470 2830 | ourbackyard@sunshinebutterflies.com.au | 0450 695 227
DATE: Saturday October 25

TIME: 9.45am - 3.30pm
(morning tea from 9am)

PLACE: Uniting Church
Hall, Factory St
Pomona (next door
to the museum)

COST: $20 - Adult
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**Fees**

**Fees for Before and After School Care:**
- Before School Care – $18.00 per child. (Breakfast Included)
- After School Care – $23.00 per child (Afternoon tea included.)

**Fees for Vacation Care**
A Vacation Care Program is provided for Prep – Year 7 children during school holidays, from 6.00am until 6.00pm each day. The program of daily activities is available two weeks before the start of each holiday.

Bookings are essential for children attending any of our OSHC programs.
- $56.00 per day (Morning Tea, Lunch & afternoon tea included)

(Healthy menu plan & Food supplied for each session.)

**Childcare Benefit or Childcare Rebate**
Childcare benefit and Childcare Rebate can be claimed by eligible families through Centrelink/Family Assistance, which can reduce out-of-pocket costs for OSHC care significantly - often dropping costs down to $5-10 per day for some families.

*For further information about our OSHC program please contact the Co-ordinator Melissa Conley via email pomona.oshc@bigpond.com or by phone (07) 54850778/0437000644.*
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