Dear Parents/Carers,

UNDER 8’S DAY

What a wonderful morning yesterday morning, such beautiful weather to celebrate Under 8’s Day. Thank you to all the parents and family members who came along to support their child and watch on as they participated in such a broad range of activities made available by the staff at Pomona State School. I enjoyed a delicious biscuit covered in chocolate coating and sprinkles and watched on as students freely selected their morning activities. Thank you to all the staff who helped make Wednesday morning such a vibrant and fun place to celebrate being Under 8, especially to Mrs Alison Page for coordinating the event. A big thank you to all the volunteers who come along and supported our school event. A special thank you also to the sports captains and student leaders who assisted the teachers in the running of their activities and lending a helping hand to the junior students within our school.

Every Day Counts promotes four key messages:

- All children should be enrolled at school and attend on every school day,
- Schools should monitor, communicate and implement strategies to improve regular school attendance,
- Truanting can place a student in unsafe situations and impact on their future employability and life choices,
- Attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

Research show that higher rates of attendance at school are related to higher achievement. Our school’s daily attendance rate has been as low as 81.9% this term, so this is an area we will be looking at to find strategies to get it back around 95% or better.

Remember: Every Day Counts, Every Morning Matters.

RUGBY LEAGUE CLINIC

Last Friday students in year 4-6 participated in a rugby league coaching clinic. Unfortunately due to the inclement weather, students enjoyed the modified drills and skills in the hall.

Regards

Alyson Covey
A/Principal
TRIVIA NIGHT AT COOROY RSL
Lots of fun was had at our first P&C Trivia Night at Cooroy RSL last Saturday night, which raised approximately $500 for school resources. Thank you to all who attended, to Glenda and Rosemary for organising the event, and to raffle prize donors Kelli Saunderson from “Your Inspiration at Home”, Ruby Ruth’s Rose Garden and Dev’s Herbs at the Noosa Farmers Market. Don’t worry if you missed this Trivia Night as we have another one planned for **Saturday 10th October**, so mark that date on your calendar!

SCHOOL DISCO
Also note on your calendar that the first school disco for the year will be held in the school hall on **Friday 19 June**. The junior school disco (for Prep – year 3 students) will be held from 5.30 – 7pm and the senior school disco 9 (year 4 – 6 students) will be from 7.15 – 9pm. Our school discos are thoroughly enjoyed by the students who attend them and are a great fundraiser for the school, however they cannot run without many parent volunteers to help and supervise. If you are able to help out, please give your name and contact details to Glenda at the tuckshop or email to P&C at psspandc@hotmail.com

SCHOOL JUMPERS
Now that the cooler weather is upon us, don’t forget that zip-up school jumpers (embroidered with our school’s logo) are on sale at our uniform shop for $30 each.

TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!
Our hardworking tuckshop coordinator Glenda Vassallo always appreciates any help volunteers can offer. Even an hour or two a week could help greatly so please see Glenda if you can add your name to the roster. If you would like to contribute to our school tuckshop but are unable to volunteer your time, please consider donations of packaged food items instead. Please see Glenda for suggestions.

**OUR NEXT P&C MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 9am MONDAY 25TH MAY**
In the Outside School Hours Care Building

Please email any agenda items to psspandc@hotmail.com
All welcome to attend!

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**COOROY SCOUTS CAR BOOT SALE**
Come and Grab a Bargain at the Cooroy Scouts Car Boot Sale.
When: Sunday 24th May 2015 starting at 7am - 12noon.
Sites are $15 and bookings are essential.
Please phone Jackie on 0439 590 586 (AFTER HOURS ONLY).

**Happy World Kids Colouring Day 2015**
Get your pencils ready...there’s some colouring to be done! Don’t forget this year’s theme is ‘Colourful Dreams’. Please remember it is the MOST CREATIVE entry that wins, so don’t be afraid to think outside the square! Why participate:

**PRIZES!**
Most creative group entry: AUD $1,000 cash grant and a STAEDTLER prize pack valued at $500.
Most creative individual entry: STAEDTLER pack valued at $200.

**HELPING CHILDREN IN NEED!** Donate to ‘Save the Children Australia’ and STAEDTLER will match your donation dollar for dollar.

**EASY AND FUN!**
If you haven’t already, all you need to do is register and get colouring! If you cannot participate today, that’s fine! You have until 1st June 2015 to submit your entries. For further information please visit our website: World Kids Colouring Day 2015.

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CHAPPY CHAT

IT’S CHAPPY WEEK – THE CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM IN SCHOOLS IS TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OLD!

(17, 24 May)

Every year at this time the whole state celebrates Chappy Week.

FRIDAY 22nd

We are celebrating this year with a Crazy Hair Day on Friday 22. Yikes! That’s tomorrow, you had better start thinking how you can create the craziest of crazy hair dos and wear it to school in the morning!

Also Chappy (that’s me) will be doing the much loved Colour Hair Spraying throughout the day at school. If you would like to partake in this, it’s just a gold coin donation.

SATURDAY 23rd

There is a Sausage Sizzle in front of Pomona IGA on Saturday between 9 and 12.00 so you can wear your crazy hair to that also if you wish! Grab a yummy sausage and bread for just $2!

Chappy (that’s me, again) will be doing Face Painting also for a gold coin donation.

It’s a BIG thank you to IGA for providing us with BBQ, tables, 5 kg of sausages, bread and sauces.

See you there!

Chappy Paulette

PS: If you would like to know more about what Chaplains do you can read the info attached to this newsletter email.

HELPFUL HOLLY

Last week I was interstate visiting my grandchildren. I have to be honest and I do love them dearly, but it is also nice to return home to peace and sanity!

My visit did provide me with the topic for this column. Unfortunately my daughter has a casual approach to school and this has resulted in my grandchildren not being regular school attendees. In fact they have missed large chunks of their school life. Now that my eldest granddaughter is in Year 5, this inconsistent attendance is really beginning to raise its ugly head.

Her last report card shows that in all areas, she is well behind her peers and below the age appropriate level. She doesn’t have a learning difficulty or of disability and has an average IQ. The problem is that she has missed some of the key foundations in her education that hinders her ability to grasp more intricate concepts that she is now being exposed to.

If you think of a child’s educational experience as the building of a house, it needs to commence with a strong, reinforced foundation. This is followed by the struts, brickwork and then the roof. If each section is incomplete only time will tell when the house will come crashing down. You can’t just stand the struts up on the bare ground and hope they stay standing, or lay the roof on top of incomplete walls and expect it to stay. It just isn’t physically possible.

Children need to attend school every day and it is our responsibility as parents to make this happen. This is one battle that you need to win and stand your ground. It is important that you value and see the importance of education and the pathways it creates for your children. Why is regular attendance at school important?

Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day.

- they learn better
- they make friends
- they are happier
- they have a brighter future.

Are you having problems getting your child to school for some of these reasons?

- Won’t get out of bed in the morning
- Won’t go to bed at night
- Can’t find their uniform, books, school bag...
- Slow to eat breakfast
- Haven’t done their homework
- Watching TV
- Have a test or presentation to do, have an assignment to hand in
- It’s their birthday.

If so, a set routine can help.

- Have a set time to go to bed
- Have a set time to get out of bed
- Have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- Have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
- Set a time for daily homework activities
- Speak about school positively
- Be firm; send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term!
Hey Kids - Send us your best pic of Noosa and you could win

* A mounted canvas print of your photograph
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Cooroy Scouts
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07 5441 2769 www.sunshinecoastshow.asn.au Show Office, Nambour Showgrounds, Coronation Ave, Nambour, Sunshine Coast, QLD
‘Celebrate and Grow’ is the theme of this year’s 110th Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show. Drawing on the program’s focus of multiple celebrations and an expanded program, inclusive of aspects in the farming, primary production and agribusinesses of the region, the annual event is being billed as the best show ever.

Running Friday, June 12 to Sunday June 14 at the ever-green Nambour Showgrounds, Show Manager, Lee Corbett, explained that the program has gone from strength to strength, this year honouring the Anzac Centenary with a specially commissioned, all-age production of live performance entitled ‘Anzac Dawn’, every night from 7pm. “Other additions to the program include celebrating the farming community with a Farmers’ Feature including a special Sunday appearance by Celebrity Chef Matt Golinski and a three day free interactive kid’s farmers’ trail,” said Ms. Corbett. The Farmers’ Feature will see a limited number of free trade sites in the Jim Carolan Pavilion for all Farmers to sell/promote their product and build relationships with patrons and future consumers. In turn they will offer free samples of their product.

Side-show-alley, woodchopping and traditional ringside events such as the popular Horses versus Utes will be supplemented with Queensland Harness Racing (Trots) and another addition will be Motor Mountain. Last year’s inaugural Pet Expo was so popular it has also expanded to a larger section on the grounds.

Despite so much to choose from, including live music and free in-show entertainment across several stages, ticket prices have not been altered in years, making it affordable to families who can pre-purchase tickets from the Show Office or any Heritage Bank on the Sunshine Coast from May 11 to go into the $500 gift card draw* (Disclaimer: *Terms and conditions apply).

Sunshine Coast Agricultural Society Show President, Cr. Jenny McKay said, “We are currently gearing up to our pre-show activities such as this year’s ‘Black Tie & Boots Gala Dinner’, a fun event to introduce our Show girls, Show Princesses, Rural Ambassador and new All Abilities category entrants. Held at Hungerford Hall, Nambour High School, on May 16, this event provides extra opportunity to interact with the general public”. Tickets can be purchased by ‘phoning the Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show Office on telephone 07 5441 2766.

So “giddy-up” and get up-to-date by Liking the Facebook page www.facebook.com/SunshineCoastAgriculturalShow
#scoastshow2015

[Captions]
#1 The 110th Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show, welcomes Celebrity Chef Matt Golinski to this year’s event.
#2 ‘The Crack Up Sisters’ will provide hilarity through their dedicated stage performances at this year’s Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show.
**Pomona Childhood Centre**
"Serving the Pomona Community for 19 years"

Pomona Early Childhood Centre is a long day care centre incorporating a Queensland Government approved Kindergarten program, delivered by University Qualified Early Childhood Teachers.

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The Centre is open from 6:45am to 6:15pm Monday to Friday.

For all Enquiries & Bookings Phone: (07) 548 52755

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