Curriculum Corner with 6B

WOW! Already back, and the start of a fun and busy term for 6B has begun. However let's look back at Term 1.

During English, 6B students ventured into the land of imagination. We were excited about using our creative ideas and putting them into short stories. We explored many ways to make our short stories a success by including sizzling starters and descriptive details.

In Maths, we explored how data is collected and shown on graphs. We also learnt about fractions and timetables.

During our History lessons we discovered how Australia became a nation. We had to present a timeline showing the events in which federation occurred, and we wrote a short paragraph as if we were a colonist during federation.

In Science we learned about states of matter. We also learnt about reversible and irreversible changes. We did many fun experiments, like dissolving salt, sugar and sand into a cup of water. We found out that sand does not dissolve so is therefore, not soluble.

During our values lessons we have been learning about bullying. We had fun making Bullying: No Way posters and wearing orange to spread awareness. We enjoy keeping our school a safe and happy place to be.

At the end of term, some of the year six leaders went on leadership camp to a conference which was held in Brisbane. They travelled down to Laidley to stay two nights. The students were challenged with public speaking and games that included leadership skills.

As you can see, 6B has had a lot to do and have had a lot of fun and we are now ready for a fresh but jam-packed Term 2.

From Seraphina D, Caity H and Alyssa A

Anzac Day Service

This Thursday, our students will participate in an Anzac Day Service. The service will be held on the small oval from 9:30 am until 10:30 am.

School ANZAC Service
Thursday, 23rd April
9:30 am

In classrooms this week, children will be discussing the significance of Anzac Day and learning about the sacrifices so many have made to ensure our safety and freedom. Your children have been busy constructing a class wreath to be laid by class representatives as a sign of respect to our fallen at our school service. The service will be attended by several important guests including representatives of the Returned Services League. School uniforms should be worn and a broad-brimmed hat is essential.

Chinchilla State School students are also invited to participate in the local Anzac Day March and Service on Monday, 27th April. Our students will assemble at the corner of Railway and Heeney Streets by 10:30 am. Teaching staff will be there to supervise and march with them. They will then march to Fuller Place to attend the ceremony. Following the ceremony, the children move to the RSL where they may be collected by parents at approximately 12 o'clock. Students marching should be wearing full school uniform. It is usually quite warm at that time of the morning and the students will be outside for a period of time, therefore, it is essential that they are wearing a broad-brimmed hat.

Chinchilla Town ANZAC Service
Monday, 27 April
Assemble outside Club Hotel
10:45 am
Collect students at RSL after Service

If you have any queries, please, do not hesitate to call or drop in to the school office.

UNIFORM SHOP

Please be aware that the Uniform Shop is open on:
Wednesday between 8:30 – 9:00 am and 2:30 – 3:00 pm

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- High Five Awards
From the Principal's Desk

This year our school is participating in a Department of Education and Training program in which we will be looking at our teaching and learning approaches in Prep to support all children to be successful learners.

Based on a review of international research into best practice in early years teaching and learning, Griffith University will be working with us and a number of schools across Queensland to support teachers in incorporating a range of active, engaging, and creative learning experiences within their daily Prep program.

We are excited to be involved in this opportunity. We know how important it is to support young children to develop a love of learning, and how this can lead to better long-term learning and life outcomes. We are committed to using the most effective teaching approaches that best support how we know young children learn. While we will be looking to enhance the way we teach, be assured we will continue to focus on the requirements of the curriculum and monitor your child's learning progress.

Your child's Prep teacher is participating in the program and will be working with early years teaching specialists from Griffith University. Shortly you will be asked to sign a consent form giving your approval for the university team to gather information on your child's engagement in learning through their classroom work. Please note, your consent for this is voluntary.

I look forward to providing you with further information about this special program once it commences. I invite you to contact me directly if you have any questions about the program, what it means for your child or the daily program in your child's classroom.

PBL Update

Learning: I acknowledge mine and other's achievements

Do you find it's easier to notice other people's successes than it is to acknowledge your own? Do you acknowledge your accomplishments before you raise the bar higher for yourself and set another goal to achieve? By neglecting to acknowledge your achievements, you may be missing an opportunity not only to increase your happiness and self-satisfaction but also to fuel your motivation for future achievements.

This week's Value lesson teaches students to acknowledge their and others' achievements. Students can often be unaware of their own greatness and they don't appreciate their own courage, bravery, or kindness.

Why is it important that we acknowledge our successes at Chinchilla State School? Our past successes can give us a clear sense of our ability to overcome obstacles. Knowing that we have succeeded before gives us the motivation we need to persevere when we are faced with new challenges.

Chinchilla State School's P&C Association supports the PBL program in the school and has two representatives on the PBL Committee, Mrs Tanya Kidd & Mrs Leanne Evans.

Class Attendance

Term 2, Week 1 overall class attendance:

- Prep - 94%
- Grade 1 - 93%
- Grade 2 - 93%
- Grade 3 - 94%
- Grade 4 - 89%
- Grade 5 - 93%
- Grade 6 - 93%

Congratulations to 5A for the highest attendance percentage of 95.3% for week 1.

Congratulations to all of our students who exhibit excellent attendance and a special thank you to our parents for their strong support.

Book Club

Book Club LOOP for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online ordering & Payment platform for parents.
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Get it on
Google play
Apple App Store

Book Club Issue #3 has been given to all students this week. Orders are due by Wednesday 27th April. Cash payments will not be accepted. Please pay for your order via L.O.O.P. The L.O.O.P app is free to download. All details can be found on the back of the book catalogue.

Happy Reading
WALK TO FIGHT ANIMAL CRUELTY!

On Sunday 15 May 2015, more than 20,000 people and their dogs will walk in Queensland to show their support for animals in need. Million Paws Walk is a great day out for the whole family where you will be treated to entertainment, stalls, delicious food, competitions, giveaways and a whole lot more!

Regardless of the breed, size or age of your dog - everyone is welcome - as long as they are fully vaccinated, friendly and well socialised. No four legged friend? No problem! Even those without pouches are welcome to join in the fun.

Money raised through online fundraising, merchandise sales and activities on the day will help to provide essential care, veterinary treatment, food and shelter for more than 15,000 dogs that RSPCA QLD cares for each year. Every dollar you raise will make a big difference and will assist us in reaching our goal of $500,000. Sign up today to help give another dog a second chance at a happy life.

Register online before 14 May to take advantage of ticket price savings...and start fundraising to help fight animal cruelty! As an added bonus this year, if you register online and create a fundraising page, we will send you a FREE RSPCA frisbee for your pooch!

For more information or to register visit: MILLIONPAWSWALK.COM.AU

CHINCHILLA STATE SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION 2016 MOTHERS’ DAY STALL

This year's Mothers' Day Stall will be held on Thursday, May 5. This stall provides students with an opportunity to buy a small gift for their wonderful mum.

This year we have sourced all gifts from local businesses! We are very lucky to have some very talented mums and teachers at our school. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Sally Harth (Lilac Apple), Karen Souller, Carla Fogwell (Sarala Accessories), Bec Iselein, (Wix n Wax) and Chinchilla IGA for helping to provide local and delightful gifts!

Price lists will be provided to the classrooms during the week leading up to the stall so that students are able to make their choice prior to the day and that correct money can be sent along on the day. A price list will be posted in next week's Bulletin and on the Chinchilla State School P&C Association Facebook Page.

Gift prices will range from approximately 50c through to approximately $40. It is recommended that one item be purchased per child with the exception of the purchase of gift tags.

Thank you for supporting the Chinchilla State School P&C Association.

WINTER UNIFORMS 2016

Orders are now being taken for winter uniforms

Place your order by Friday 22nd April 2016

Order forms can be collected from the school office and can also be found in issue 8 of the Bell St Bulletin.

Place your order form and money in an orange P&C envelope, clearly mark the envelope with WINTER PREORDER 2016, and place it in the white P&C box located in the school's office.

Koala Cubs

Is your child 0-5 years old? Come along to our Wednesday morning activities from 9:15am to 10:30am.

Starting: Wednesday 13th April 2016

Taking 2017 Prep Enrolments NOW

Phone 4672 9222
**Sports with Mr Clarke**

Hello everyone, one week down already. It will be a long 11 week term, although at the moment, it is going very fast. We are having a few issues with some sports clashing. Last week in my newsletter article, I announced the dates for upcoming sport early this term. We have discovered that it isn’t actually going to work with all of these sports so close together. We have a few students wishing to do all of these activities, and just won’t have a fair opportunity to be involved. Due to these issues we have changed the dates for our School Cross Country and our Junior Obstacle Course. All of the upcoming sport will now go by the times below.

**District Sport:**
- Boys Rugby League: Friday 22nd April 2016 in Roma
- Girls Netball: Friday 22nd April 2016 in Roma
- Girls and Boys Touch Trail: Wednesday 27th April at Chinchilla State High School

**School Sport:**
- Cross Country/Fun Run: Friday 29th April 2015 at Recreation Grounds
- Junior Obstacle Course: Thursday 28th April 2016 at State School Oval

**Run Around Australia**

Run Around Australia has changed a little this year due to the construction of our new buildings. We have had to change the route and, for safety reasons, we have had to make the track just around the oval. On Tuesday, last week we had our first morning and very quickly discovered that having the whole school running around the oval was messy and unsafe. For these reasons we have made some changes, and with some context in mind I will explain what we have done. We have decided to split the school up and alternate the days when we are running. Due to the senior school needing the practice more for their cross country we have decided to give them three mornings a week. So as of Wednesday last week, it will be Preps to Grade 2 will run on a Wednesday morning from 8.45am sharp to 8.55am. Alternatively, the upper school (Grade 3 to 6) will run the same time on Thursday, Tuesday and Friday mornings. This will minimize the risk with less students on the oval, and also for the students to run at their pace a little more freely. Sorry about any inconvenience this has caused people.

**Tuckshop Roster**

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**Chappy’s Corner**

Food for Thought

In recent weeks I have been amazed at the generosity of both individuals and organisations in our region who have come together to assist and support people who have been affected by recent natural disasters.

Can you imagine how great it would be to live in this area if we were all looking out for people’s needs at all times, not just in times of turmoil? Today, try opening your eyes to the needs of others around you and, whenever you can, offer to help. You will discover that there is a real feeling of fulfillment and satisfaction that comes from knowing that you have made a positive difference to someone’s day.

Consider the idea that – the more you care for others, the more they care for you.

A message from Chappy

Annette Cousins

**Chinchilla State School P & C Association**

**Mothers Day Raffle**

This year the P&C have been very fortunate to receive a donation from one of our school mums, Krystal Otto and family, for a Mothers Day Raffle.

Krystal and her family have kindly donated a wonderful Tupperware Picnic set that will be on display in the front office.

Raffle Tickets are $4 each and are available for purchase at the front office. Tickets will also be available at the Mothers Day Stall which will be held on Thursday May 5.

The raffle will be drawn on Friday May 6 just in time for one very lucky mum to receive it on her special day!

Thank you for supporting the Chinchilla State School P&C Association.

**IMPORTANT DATES: April 2016**

- Parent Teacher Meetings: 11th-22nd April
- CSS Cross Country: 29th April
- CSS Obstacle Course: 28th April
- P&C Meeting 3PM: 27th April
- CSS State Cross Country: 28th April
- CSS State Cross Country: 27th April
- CSS State Cross Country: 20th April