Principals Report

We are all focused on READING!

Again we acknowledge the wonderful resources from Sheena Cameron which aligns with our Whole School Reading focus. Our teachers have recently been having conversations about every student at Bororen and aim to know where everyone is operating and what strategies we then need to focus to move our students forward.

This week’s conversation around reading is self-monitoring which supports understanding of the text by giving the reader control over their reading.

Unless students are self-monitoring while they are reading they cannot truly comprehend the text. Self-monitoring requires children to be aware of their own thinking as they read. It requires them to realise when they have stopped understanding what they are reading. This may happen at word, sentence or paragraph level. Once they can identify where the problem lies, they can then use a fix-up strategy such as rereading, reading on, stop and think, getting a picture in their head of what they have read. Sharing what we do as readers

Language we use when self-monitoring includes:

I’m not sure what _____ means.

I don’t get that paragraph.

I’ve lost concentration, I’d better go back and read that again.

I don’t understand what that sentence means. I am going to go back and read it aloud slowly and see if that helps.

Stationery 3-6 Class

Please ensure your child has the basic equipment needed for school for the new term. Students being prepared with pencils, rulers, erasers and required books makes the transition between lessons smooth. Thank you for your prompt support.

FROM THE P-2 CLASS

Sorry I missed last weeks newsletter cut of time so this week I will need to catch everyone up. On Thursday we had a very busy day with our first RE lesson and everyone was excited to see Mrs Donoghue back. She has made everyone a very cute little American indian crown complete with feather to wear- this makes it easier for her to know everyone name. We also
were very busy making mud pies and Mighty Marvelous Muffins. What a super job especially the year1/2’s who were able to read the recipe themselves and worked very well together in their groups.

This term in Maths the Yr1/2 children have been working on multiplication. We have learnt how to find out how many groups can be made from a collection of counters and how to set the counters in to rows that form an array. These are the beginning steps to understanding the process of our times tables which they are all eager to learn.

In Elks last week Miss Cathy read a very funny book about something hide in stripy tent at the circus. Everyone made a funny picture of a hippo hiding behind the tent door.

Congratulations to our school merit certificates winners Tristan for super handwriting and Ella for wonderful reading. Super effort to Jack who received our first 60 nights of reading award. Ella, Tanika and Tom also received their 60 nights along with a reading tattoo. Clayton and Koulton received their 40 nights of reading. Super effort everyone.

A small reminder to those parents who need to complete their payments for the class levy, can you please arrange payment with Debbie at the earliest convenience.

Don’t forget home reading every night to add to your reading tally. Library, Spelling test and Number facts test on Friday. Homework marked on Wednesday (Year 2 have their English marked on Tuesday). To help with homework marking if some of the homework is completed before Tuesday night it will be marked earlier.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Congratulations to Tyson, Madison, Ellen, Charlotte, Brock, Tristan & Ella for receiving the Student of the Week certificates.

Jack, Tanika, Tom & Ella received awards for 60 nights reading & Koulton & Clayton for 40 nights. Well done everyone.

During parade on Monday Tyson, Elli, Charlotte & Cheyanne recited some wonderful poetry. Well done on remembering your words and your great clear voices.

Quick Writes

Oh! My computer just burst into bubbles, oops I mean flames! The computer guy said that when mine finally bursts into flames he will give me a new one.

By Kalani

Oh! My computer just turned into a beautiful flying horse! So I ran and jumped on it and it took me to Rainbowland.

By Matilda

What is a GENE?

All of the information needed to make a person is contained in the DNA of our cells. DNA can be thought of as a long stretch of instructions telling the cells in our body how to do their job, whether it’s lung cells helping us breathe or heart cells keeping a rhythm.

There are three billion bits of information contained in the DNA of each person – enough information to fill 200 phone books and this information is divided into genes, each one the blueprint for a particular piece of the cell.

If only one bit of DNA is wrong, the gene can’t function this results in a genetic disorder. There currently exists a range of genetic disorders for which no cure has yet been developed. These include cancer, cystic fibrosis, muscular dystrophy, blindness, epilepsy, and rarer yet equally devastating diseases.

JEANS FOR GENES DAY

Friday the 5th of August we are supporting the Children’s Medical Research Institute promoting Healthier kids for a brighter future. Students are encouraged to wear jeans and make a donation to Mrs Cath (volunteer).

Student 95

Unexplained Absences- In working in partnership with all families, a reminder is given that if your child is absent from school for a genuine reason please call the office on that morning and report the reason so we can keep rolls up to date from your call. Thank you parents for your support around unexplained absences.
FUNDRAISER – LUNA MARKETS SEPTEMBER 9TH

We will be holding a Luna Markets at the school from 5pm. We will be looking to fill our oval with lots of stalls ($10 per stall) if you have something to sell. The P & CC will be doing a BBQ dinner and raffles. There will be a roster sent out to all parents for the BBQ as we do for Xmas tree night just to lighten the load a bit.

Don’t forget to bring along your cans, the cage has been emptied. Please remember no glass or plastic bags.

Next P & C Meeting will be Thursday 4th August at 2.00pm. Hope to see you all there.

NEWS FROM CHAPPY CATHY

On Thursday 28th July, Ellen, Matilda, Cheyanne, Charlotte, Madison, Tom, Jack, Darcie, Charlie and Samantha dug holes to plant five native trees.

Gladstone Regional Council Tondoon Botanic Gardens generously donated 20 trees. In the next few weeks we will plant the remaining trees.