Dear Parents, Staff and Students

We have come to the end of a great term at Byfield State School. During the last couple of weeks staff have been busy compiling term results and assessing each student in their improvement in Reading, Writing, Number and Spelling. We have been hampered by floods and electricity failures.

Some students have achieved outstanding results and they are to be congratulated. The rest of the student body are making great progress in their learning. We hope to share this data with as many parents as possible during parent/teacher interviews to be held on Wednesday 23 April. Teachers are trialing a new a system and will only interviews on one day.

We will be holding our annual ANZAC Service on Thursday 24 April commencing at 10:30am. All are welcome.

Teachers will again be joining the official Yeppoon ANZAC DAY PARADE on April 25. Students and parents are welcome to join us for this event. Please gather at old Railway Station by 8:15am. Students are to wear school uniform and hat, and bring a water bottle. This year the march is being held earlier due to the heat.

Parents are asked to pay their Student Resource Scheme accounts by Week 2, Term 2. All accounts are now overdue. We have had less than 50% of parents pay so far. Each year staff review this offer to determine if we shall continue next year. We look at the timeliness of parents paying as the first factor.

Mr Doug Gardner is again bringing golf to our school to teach the students the basic skills of golf n Term 2. The school pays for this to give the students this opportunity.
Reading Rockets

Please arrive at 8:15 for Reading Rockets.

Focus:
- Phonics
- Fluency
- Accuracy
- Sight Words
- Reading to punctuation

From the Junior Classroom

We have finally completed all C2C assessments and improvement mapping for each student. The floods hampered our process a little bit. The students are to be congratulated for their dedication to completing tasks.

We have had a fun week this term (outside of assessments). This year it is a little different as Easter occurs at the end of the holidays.

This term LOTS of students have achieved many ‘prizes’ from the Prize Box. I have to go shopping again this holidays to get some new prizes.

Have a great holiday and a safe and Happy Easter.

Mrs Shephard

From the Senior Classroom

We are at the end of a very busy term. All students have shown perseverance and resilience toward their learning and have worked hard on all tasks. I would like to congratulate those students who have already attained their first reading goal for the year, some students have shown a considerable increase in their reading age. Well done! Students have worked very hard with their writing this term in both Narrative and Persuasive writing.

Congratulations to the 12 students who achieved 100% homework for this term. They have been given a small prize for their efforts. Hopefully next term it will be 100% off students.

Have a Happy Easter and a wonderful holiday!

Mrs Issaakidis

School Website

Check out our updated school website!

You can find lots of information: download the school newsletter, find out information about all upcoming events and lots more.

www.byfieldss.eq.edu.au

Happy Chaplain Day!

Thank you to all students and parents for their kind donation to the chaplaincy program.
P&C NEWS

1. Please put the date for the Market Day on your calendar. Check the ad.

2. We have a major project of raising funds to erect a new all-weather undercover area for the students to be able to play outside during wet weather.

3. A very safe and happy holiday and Easter to all.

Roz

Byfield Buzz! ....Know what your child is trying to achieve!

- Just because it is holiday time don’t stop reading. Each child should be reading or being read to for at least 15 minutes each day. Have fun discussing stories, newspaper articles or general information. Remember to get better at anything you need to practice, practice, practice!!!!!

Byfield Market Day

Sunday 25th May
8am to 1pm
Byfield General Store Grounds

For stall holder information please contact the Byfield Store on 4935 1190.

Dear Parents,

If you need to speak to your child in the morning or during the day, could you please be mindful of the learning that has already begun in the classroom, and perhaps talk to them outside the classroom.

Thank you

Just a little reminder!

For the safety of our students we have a policy that all students go straight to the rotunda after school. Students will be called to leave the school grounds. It would be helpful to not have parents call out to their child. As it is such a busy parking time, students are asked to walk along the fence line to go to their car. We ask that students wait in the car if parents are having a conversation and not wander around the cars. Parents pulling into the car park please be aware that children are unpredictable and keep watch.
Make 2014 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons. Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV.

http://www.youtube.com/DETQueensland

Late Arrivals at School

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COMMUNITY NEWS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY SWIMMING LESSONS
There will be an intensive block of learn to swim classes running in the first week of the school holidays from 7th to 10th April from our new indoor, heated learn to swim centre in Industrial Avenue, Yeppoon. These 4 lesson blocks are a great way to boost your child’s aquatic education. For enquiries or to book in please phone Connolly’s Little Fish Swim Academy on 4930 2205 or email con.aquatics@bigpond.com

MARKET DAY - Keppel Anglican Parish. Saturday April 5th from 7 am – 11 am.
Plants & Produce * Cakes * Tea & Coffee * Trash & Treasure * Crafts * Raffle.
Come and grab a bargain. Keppel Anglican Church - 18 Housden Place - Taranganba

Yeppoon Junior Golf: Every Saturday morning (except school holidays) 3,6,9,13 and 18 holes. Time 8am Cost: from $5 to $8.50 pw first Game Free. Please Call: 49391056.

PCYC
PCYC School-aged care is operating every afternoon from 3:00pm to 6:00pm from the hall near the oval. We will operating school holiday care and have many fun activities and excursions planned.
If you would like more information please contact Tanya on 49302930 or 0447793015 or email tan-ya.sinclair@pcyc.org.au

Happy Easter!