Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Can you believe it—only two weeks to go till the end of term! Students are finishing Term 2 assessments for teachers to assess and determine a student’s achievement. Semester reports will be distributed on the final day of Term 2. Parents are welcomed to make an appointment to discuss any matters arising from their child’s report. Week 1 Term 3. By having this discussion early at the start of the term parents are really focussed on the learning for that term. Parents are reminded that teachers offer parent-/teacher meetings twice a year and ALWAYS upon request.

For students to be 100% engaged in their learning and receiving their required amount of curriculum delivery each year, they need to be at attending school for at least 95% of the time. This equates to only being absent for real reasons (sick, unavoidable medical appointments, floods, representative sport) for five days each semester. A student’s absence percentage is always recorded on report cards. Our aim is to have zero unexplained absences.

Staff have been reviewing the possibility of candidates for our annual awards at the end of the year. For the first time since the awards inception, there are many students in the running for each award. This is exciting! It means that we have many students who consistently demonstrate desire to achieve their best in their learning and their actions. ‘Reaching Beyond’ students!

Last week our Discipline auditor reviewed out school’s behaviour management practices. She interviewed staff, students, P&C parents and myself. Miss Brittain has congratulated all on the very strong evidence of school spirit, strong culture for all to engage in learning without disruption and a great feeling of a positive ethos. We look forward to the executive summary and final report which will then be displayed on our website.

Yours in educational improvement
Jo –Anne Shephard
Principal
Reading Rockets
Students must attend for their timeslot ONLY. Please check the timetable. There are some children who have not attended for weeks!!!

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

From the Junior Classroom

Currently we are assessing each student on their achievement in their Explicit Improvement agenda. The students have been shown their Improvement Map and they are really keen to see LOTS of green.

We are seeing some student jump ahead in their Sight Word total this term. Mrs Palmer is to be congratulated for her persistence in getting many students to practice their Sight Words EVERY day. Her actions have really got some students ahead.

We measure improvement in Reading, Spelling, Writing and Number.

Next week will be the last homework week for this term. Hurray!

Mrs Shephard

From the Senior Classroom

We are nearing the end of the term and have been busy finishing assessments, reading tests and classwork. Well done to students for showing resilience and persistence with their learning. It’s great to see improvement in their results.

I would like to say it is great to have a class where everyone is respectful of each other and although we have four class levels, everyone is happy to help each other.

We have been trialling a new behaviour management system using the Responsible Questioning. Method -

What are you doing? What should you be doing? What will the consequences be if you don’t do the correct thing?

So far this has been working. :) 

Mrs Issy

Attendance Target

Our school aim is for EVERY student to attend school 95% each term, semester and year.

Children attending school at this rate are accessing the required amount of curriculum to be successful learners.

We have noticed that those students who do not have a high attendance rate, have a very low rate of improvement.

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.
P&C NEWS

There will be P&C Lunch on the last day of school this term.

Cost $3
Menu to be advised

Lunch is open to parents and children participating in Under 8s Day.

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

- Did you know that at our school each classroom has a Bookwork Expectation policy. At the end of this term, students will take home their exercise pads, old pencils and scrapbooks.
- Parents may like to see how well your child is following this expectation.

Expectations include:
- ‘best work’
- no mess or graffiti
- date work
- use every page in succession
- use a sharp pencil

Congratulations!
Winners from the Leichhardt Colouring In Competition! Thank you Mr Bill Gannon on a fantastic drawing to colour. :)

Under 8s Day!

Friday 27th June
9:00am to 11:00am
Children 8 years and under welcome.
Lots of fun craft and activities to enjoy.
P&C Lunch—$3

Congratulations
Ajay & Mason who both received a Highly Commended for their Show paintings!
Well done!
Year 12 Outcomes report

The Queensland Studies Authority recently released the Year 12 Outcomes report. This report lists the results for the 2013 Year 12 graduates from each school in Queensland.

Community News

Livingstone Shire Council will be screening 2 movies at Yeppoon Town Hall on Friday 27 June.
1st Movie will be suitable for primary school aged and will start at 4:30pm
2nd movie will be suitable for high school aged and will start at 7:30pm
Cost $5 per person
Snacks will be available to purchase

The movies will be announced soon.

Want to win free tickets for you and 3 mates to the movies?
As part of Drug Action Week we will be running an online Drug Awareness Quiz through our Youth In Livingstone Facebook page.
Simply find us on Facebook, complete the short quiz and you will go into the draw to win!
Competition starts Wednesday 11 June and closes Wednesday 25 June

To find out more regarding the films, or to complete the Quiz visit us on www.facebook.com/youthinlivingstone or contact the Community Centre on 49133840

School Grounds!

Please note that on weekends, no one is to be on school grounds without authorisation.
If children are using the playground, they MUST be accompanied by an adult.
Please ensure you pick up and take with you any rubbish.

NO SKATEBOARDS, SCOOTERS, BIKES OR ROLLERBLADES

Use of the oval for any sport activity must be approved by the Principal.

Please be aware that unauthorized entry may result in Police investigations.