Note from the Principal, Mrs Kowitz …

It is lovely to be back at school after my long service leave. It is nice to go travelling but it is even more exciting to get home again. Whenever I go away, it makes me realise that the old saying that Australia is the ‘Lucky Country’ is very true. A big thank you must go to Mrs Peach for filling in as the Acting Principal. She has done a fantastic job with a seamless transition to keep the school operating as per normal.

Caffey Sports was another fantastic event this week. I always love seeing that our small school community spirit is flourishing on these days. I enjoy the opportunity for students, parents and staff to intermingle and have a great day out. Congratulations to the students for their good behaviour and show of good sportsmanship. As the students know, it’s not just about winning but about ‘doing their best’.

We had a number of outstanding performances by students. Congratulations to Kye Zischke who was 10 yrs Boy Age Champion and to Benjamin Meier who was 13yrs Boy Age Champion. Also congratulations to Jakob Harm who broke the 100 metres record. The school was placed equally to share the Relay Trophy with two other schools. Thank you to staff and parents for your wonderful support this year.

Calendar of Events

AUGUST
12 Show Holiday
22 Library Bus
22 LDHS visit
23 Zone Athletics

P&C Association
Tuesday 13th August
3.30PM
All Welcome

Happy Birthday
07 Mrs Lund
12 Mrs Peach
17 Danielle Walker
24 Mrs Natalier

Around the Classrooms ..
Prep—Yr 2 (Ms Forbes) In maths we have been learning about time and measurement. We are learning to tell the difference between fact and fiction. In English we are learning to research information and write reports.

Yrs 3/4 (Mrs Peach) We have finished our unit on Traditional Tales. Students have been busy turning these stories into books which they have illustrated themselves. Next week we start a unit involving poetry.

Yrs 5/6/7 (Mrs Kowitz/Mrs Martin) In English, we have finished reading ‘The Bungawitta’ by Emly Rhodda. Students are now quite exciting to be writing a book review. Next week we start reading a new historical novel called ‘The Bombing of Darwin’. This will be the required homework reading for the next 5 weeks.
This fortnight’s positive learning expectation is:
‘Doing our best at sports’

Tent Hill Lower is a School Wide Positive Behaviour school!

At Tent Hill Lower we reward our students who have demonstrated ongoing positive behaviours.

Each week, a ‘Learner of the Week’ and a ‘Buddy of the week’ will be chosen from each class.

SCHOOL NEWS...

Show Holiday
Monday 12th August is our official show holiday. School resumes on Tuesday 13th August. I hope everyone has an enjoyable long weekend.

Important News from the High School

Lockyer District High School has recently become an Enrolment Managed School. This has come about as student numbers grow past 1100 and is a result of the great job staff and students do at Lockyer. Lockyer now has a defined catchment from which students may enrol.

The catchment for Lockyer High may be found at http://statistics.oesr.qld.gov.au/reverse-proxy/schools/catchment/catchmentmaps/

All families considering enrolment are encouraged to view this web site and see if their residential address is within catchment or out of catchment of Lockyer District High School.

Parents should note the following –

Families living within the catchment of Lockyer District High are guaranteed enrolment. Siblings of current students at the school are also guaranteed enrolment.

Families living out of catchment may apply for enrolment and the Principal will make a decision by the end of Term 3 2013. The Principal of LDHS will write to parents by the end of Term 3 with the decision re enrolment in 2014.

There are several other conditions to the Enrolment Management Plan of Lockyer District High. As Principal of Tent Hill Lower State School, I strongly encourage all parents to consider enrolment at Lockyer and if you have any questions, please contact the Office of Lockyer High on 5466 2333.

Zone Athletics

Students who have been selected for Zone Athletics will receive a letter next week. Placing in a final is not always a guarantee of selection, as sometimes there is a qualifying time or distance. The Zone Carnival will be held on Friday 23rd August at Ropehill Sportsground.

Library Bus

The council library bus service will re-commence on Thursday August 22.

Yr 7 transition to High School

Students will have a visit from Lockyer District High school staff on Thursday 22nd August. They will receive information about moving to secondary school. Students in Yrs 5 & 6 will be part of this information session in readiness for their transition at the end of 2014.

From our Chappie...

Parents are people too!

Too often as parents we are expected to do things we may feel are beyond our ability; sometimes we feel that we don’t do a great job and wonder how our parents managed in their day.

It may be helpful to look at parenting from a different perspective, what are your strengths, what you do well...

Here some questions to ask yourself:

We all do many things as parents that are positive and worthwhile for our kids. What are my strengths as a parent? Make a list.

Our children, teenagers do lots of things that we can be proud of. What are the things your children do that you are proud of?

We all play an important role in helping our children become who they are today. What are some of the ways you have contributed to the things about your child that you are proud of?

When we’re a bit stressed we often forget to focus on the many important things we do well as parents and the many good qualities of our children.

Reminding ourselves of our good points and the good points of our kids helps us feel good about ourselves and our children.

Taken from Resourceful Adolescent Parent Program, Ian Shochet, Sue Osgarby and Carmel Dyer. QUT, Brisbane, 2002.

P&C NEWS... PLEASE SUPPORT OUR TENT HILL PUB RAFFLE BEING HELD TONIGHT - FRI 9TH AUG.