Calendar of Events

JUNE
04 HRE Student Session
10 Queens Birthday Holiday
11 HRE Student Session
18 HRE Student Session
19 Jump Rope for Heart Day
21 Netball & Soccer Carnival
End Term 2

P&C Association
Tuesday 11th June
3.30PM
All Welcome

Note from the Principal…

Please help us to review our Responsible Behaviour Plan…

Our school actively teaches and promotes positive behaviours in all of our students. Our school has developed a set of core values in consultation with parents and students. These values (known as BUDS) now form the basis of our school expectations. We have developed a matrix of expectations that explain in positive terms, what students need to be doing in any place at any given time. Every week, another expectation is taught to all students. The students also have a ‘BUDS’ book where they write and illustrate these rules. Our weekly expectations are also included in every newsletter so parents are aware of them.

As part of this process, we also need to work out the positive and negative consequences for the choices that students make. Appropriate negative consequences need to be matched to the degree of severity of problem behaviours. At the last School Wide Positive Behaviour Support meeting, our staff decided that our school needed to review the definition of ‘major’ and ‘minor’ behaviours.

Once again, we would like to engage parents in providing some feedback on what you perceive these behaviours to mean. Attached to this newsletter is an information sheet with the current definitions of major and minor behaviours as it appears in our school’s Responsible Behaviour Plan. We are asking all parents to fill in the bottom section and assign the list of problem behaviours as either being a ‘minor’ behaviour (using a ‘-’ sign) or as a major behaviour (using a ‘+’ sign). Please return this section to school by the end of next week (Friday 7th June). We will then use your responses to review our plan. Thanks for your ongoing support.

Congratulations to our Students and Buddies of the Week:
Keely Reinke, Alex Lindenmayer, Kyha Black, Liam Carter, Max Sippel

TENNIS COACHING
By Karen Peace. Beginners, juniors, & private lessons. Thursdays 3:30pm, Gatton Club Courts, Woodlands Rd, Gatton. Phone Karen 46134757 or 0409763346

Happy Birthday

MAY
12 Lucyanne Lerch
15 Jakob Harm
17 Nick Burchmann
21 Ethan Gallagher
22 Max Sippel
31 David Kilah

Around the Classrooms...

Prep—Yr 2 (Ms Forbes) This week’s BUDS focus is being responsible for your own belongings. I want everyone in P-1-2 to get a reward this week so please help your child by allowing them the opportunity to be responsible for their own belongings… Have them walk into school by themselves…how independent :)

Yrs 3/4 (Mrs Peach) In Science we are beginning our research on planets in the Solar System and comparing them to Earth. Get ready to hear lots of interesting facts and trivia.

Yrs 5/6/7 (Mrs Kowitz/Mrs Martin) In English we have started analysing and writing ‘Memoirs’. This week was an opportune time to write some memoirs about Emu Gully Adventure Camp around the abstract nouns of—hardship, fun and adventure. Some students are showing some pleasing literary flair using some great descriptive land figurative language.
This fortnight’s positive learning expectation is:
‘Be Responsible with your belongings.’

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...

HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS EDUCATION SESSIONS
Students will start their HRE sessions next Tuesday 4th June. All information was sent home earlier this week. Just a reminder to all families that we require the permission forms to be returned by the end of this week (Friday 31st May). The P&C are paying a considerable cost for these sessions so it is important to take advantage of this. The lessons are designed to provide students with some basic and factual information about human sexuality, as a way of supporting parents in their conversations with their children. The presenter is Robyn Kavanagh who is an experienced facilitator and works for Family Planning Queensland. Parents can also obtain information about ‘Being an askable parent’ from their website, www.fpq.com.au

CROSS COUNTRY
Well done to all our students who participated in the Lockyer Zone Cross Country. Congratulations to Tristan Kerwick, Dennis Meier and Kye Zischke who placed in the top 10 for their age group. Special congratulations to Kye Zischke who placed 5th and who yesterday represented the Lockyer Zone at the Darling Downs Regional Cross Country. Kye placed 13th in this event.

EMU GULLY CAMP YR 5-7
A fantastic time was experienced by all of the Year 5,6&7 students. Each year, they are given new and exciting challenges to overcome. At long last, they were able to do the Rock climbing as well as some old favourites such as the Kokoda Track. Special thanks go to our helpers, Mrs Thorpe and Mr Harris, who gave up their time to support and care for the students on camp. Some photos and a memoir is included on the next page.

SCHOOL REMINDERS
Classes start at 8:55am. Please ensure your child/ren are at school and ready to entre the classroom to start the day of learning. Late arrivals can be is unsettling for all students and staff.

Public Holiday—Monday June 10 is the Queen’s Birthday public holiday.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
The time is drawing near for our ‘Jump Off’ day for our Jump Rope For heart fundraiser. This will be on Wednesday 19th June. Make sure you have asked around family and friends to collect as many sponsors as possible.

TUCKSHOP
Please remember that tuckshop orders and money are due in by tomorrow (Friday 31st May) and will be delivered on Monday 3rd June. Morning tea as per normal.

SCHOOL WORKS
Soon work will commence on the repainting of our old School library. Also repair work on our school oval will commence soon. The silt will be removed and new turf laid down.

CHAPLAINS CORNER
Last week whilst shopping at a department store in Tooowoomba I came across some games packed in "retro" packaging. These games really were retro! They took me back to my own days at school and family events. One of the packs I picked up was "elastics" - some of you may have seen them or even played them. I know when I was at primary school it was all the rage. To my embarrassment though I had to look up instructions online because I just couldn’t remember how it was played. Fortunately the instructions brought some of those memories flooding back....

My husband loves to tell me about the games of footy that he and his mates played; funnily enough that was what my son loved about school too!

Do you have memories like that tucked into the back of your mind? What were your favourite games at school? Why don’t you tell your kids about them, they would love to hear about the games you used to play? It makes you more real as a person!

If you want to email me and let me know about some cool games- I would love that! mararett@chappy.org.au

P&C NEWS...

Gatton Show Strawberry Stall: All families are required to help out with our major fundraiser for the year. Please see Kym Samuelsen to nominate a time in which you can assist with this.

Tent Hill Pub raffle—P&C require one or two people to run the next pub raffle on Friday 31st May. Please see Kym Samuelsen.
Memoir of Emu Gully by Brooke

“Adventure on the Kokoda Track”

It all started the minute that Shaun (the instructor) said, “Go!” My heart was thumping in shock because it was freezing. I jumped in and started to doggy paddle across the black, boggy mud. It felt as though, my body was going to fall off my head. It was all the way to the end of the big hill. We had to climb up the muddy hill. Slippery mud was stuck on us everywhere. For a lingering moment, I felt like it was going to end. Finally, we were on the home straight. We had to leap into the freezing dam. I hopped under the cascading water. I was freezing. I got out. My teeth were chattering like the clappers. Finally it was time to go and get dressed. So I galloped towards the cabins like an insane crazy racehorse. I got dressed and was soon cosy and warm.