Calendar of Events
31 July - SWPBS 1.00pm
AUGUST
5 Caffey Sports
7 Caffey Sports - P—7
11 Show Holiday
12 P-2 Fire Ed talk
13 3-7 Footsteps visit
15 NRL in schools visit
19 SWPBS meeting 3.30pm
20 Mrs Lund Returns
22 Zone Athletics
27 Discipline Audit

From the Principal…
2014 Annual School Opinion Survey
Please remember to complete the annual School Opinion Survey. All families, school staff and a representative sample of students are invited to take part. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve.

As all surveys must now completed online, you would have received access details for the Parent/Caregiver Survey with the last newsletter. You have until Sunday 3rd August to have your say. If you require a new access code please let us know. School computers will be available if you do not otherwise have access to one. We value your input and hope that as many parents as possible take this opportunity to have their say. Please contact the school if you have any queries about completing the surveys.

Caffey Sports
Next week, our small school cluster will be holding the 2 event days of our annual Athletics carnival at Ropehill Sports grounds. Programs with all of the details were sent home with the students earlier this week.

Tuesday 5th August is the long distance running and throwing events for students 9-13yrs of age.
This is a part day, and students will only need to arrive at Ropehill by 10.00am. Mrs Samuelsen and Mrs Natalier will be the staff attending on this day.

Thursday 7th August, will be a whole school event and all students are expected to be taken directly to the sports grounds by 8.30am by parents or alternate private arrangements. All of our staff will also be travelling directly there, so no one will be at the school. Students are required to wear their uniform and to bring a hat and sunscreen. A canteen will be in operation. The day will commence with a march past of school students followed by the sprints. In the middle of the day, older children will compete in the jumping events, while younger students will take part in the Junior Caffey games. After lunch, the relays will be held. All in all, we are looking forward to a great day and hope to see lots of our parents there.

P&C Association
Tuesday 12th August 2014
School library 3.30pm

SCHOOL HOURS:
School commences at 8.55am
School finishes at 3.00pm
Please be prompt.
Late arrivals need to sign in at

EVERYDAY COUNTS!
Good attendance is vital to getting a good education as well as the law in QLD.
Also, it is a requirement that absences need to be explained. Please phone us or send a note if your child is away. Holidays and other non urgent appointments

Around the Classrooms ...
Prep—Yr 2 (Mrs Samuelsen) We have been working very hard have begun our first lot of term 3 assessment! Students have been busy creating and describing landscapes. Creating new story book characters and exploring 2 digit and 3 digit numbers with MAB blocks.

Yrs 3/4 (Mrs Bauer for Mrs Peach) Students in Years3 & 4 are still completing their regular classroom work and homework. Please ensure that you child continues with their usual homework as it continues to be marked and monitored.

Yrs 5/6/7 (Mrs Kowitz/Mrs Martin) We are learning the seven steps to great writing this term. We have had lots of fun practising ‘Sizzling Starts’ to a narrative. We have learnt that great stories start with a bang, right where the action is to gain the
SCHOOL NEWS...

FOOTSTEPS FOR DANCE
On Wednesday 13th August, students in Yrs 3-7 will be participating in a free 30 minute dance session provided by the Footsteps for Dance company. Students will be introduced to simple dance sequences both individually and with a partner. Each routine promotes basic movement skills that explore rhythmic patterns, locomotor and non-locomotor movements, repetition and co-ordination. Students are encouraged to build their confidence, as the focus is on the movement as a whole rather than technique. We are sure they will really enjoy the fun and energetic routines.

BACKYARD LEAGUE PROGRAM
Our school is participating in this five - session program this term. The first session is on Friday 15th August. Students will be guided to play co-operatively and taught a number of League skills. A gala day will be held on the final session so keep posted for more information.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
This year we are part of the ‘give back’ program. This means that 50% of all money raised is given back to the school. Last year we raised $1700 for the heart foundation, so this year we are aiming for $2000 - If every student raises just $50 we will surpass this goal in no time.

The students have been talking about using the give back money to get new sports equipment. The teachers are talking about using the give back money to get ipads for the classrooms... Let us know what the parents think the give back money should go towards!

NED show
Yesterday, our school hosted the NED show. The program was free to our school. The performance was very engaging for all of our students and shared some importance messages. NED is an acronym for Never give up, Encourage others, and Do your best. The perfomance used a variety of yo yo and magical tricks. If your child would like to purchase a yo or a DVD showing these tricks, they will remain on sale until the end of next week as per the parent letter given out yesterday.

* P & C NEWS*
A big thank you to all the helpers at the Strawberry Stall over the Gatton Show Weekend. It is our biggest fundraiser of the year, a big weekend and we couldn’t do it without your support!

FROM THE CHAPLAIN...
Body image in primary school children
Body image is a broad concept that refers to the way people think and feel about their appearance. It encompasses ideas about size and shape, skin colour, birthmarks, scars, facial features, clothing and adornments related to personal religious beliefs, physical disabilities, and the use of equipment and aids like prostheses or wheelchairs. There are a range of factors that contribute to a person’s body image and messages from family members, other important adults, peers and the media all play a significant role.

Why is positive body image important?
Positive body image helps children to feel good about themselves and supports their mental health and wellbeing in childhood and beyond. Children with a positive body image are comfortable with their physical appearance and are more likely to think about their body in terms of its functionality rather than its form - that is, they focus mostly on the way their body helps them to do the things they want to do like playing sport, climbing trees or walking the dog, rather than how their body looks. Children with positive body image might not be completely satisfied with their appearance, but they concentrate on assets rather than flaws. This way of thinking contributes to a positive sense of self-worth. It helps children to detect and fulfil the body's needs, which means they might be more likely to appreciate the value of exercise and make healthy food choices that help the body to perform well.

Unfortunately, it is common for both boys and girls to experience negative thoughts or feelings about their appearance or dissatisfaction with the way their bodies look. When children have issues with self-worth and body image, they are at an increased risk for developing unhealthy attitudes to eating and issues with dieting as well as low mood. Evidence suggests that low self-worth and body dissatisfaction might play a role in the development of serious mental health issues like depression and eating disorders in adolescence and beyond. (www.kidsmatter.edu.au)

GATTON SHOW SUCCESS
Many of our students were very successful in winning prizes from the Gatton show last weekend. Congratulations to: Josh Gruffunder, Patrick Walker, Caleb Adams, Ilsa Spierling, Lucyanne Lerch, Billie Dixon-Craninckx, Ryan Moody, Tristan Kerwick, Shay Hall, and Shannon Meier.

STORIES FROM YEAR 2
I found a strange package at the door and opened the package. It was a cow! I pushed the cow outside. It was too fat and Mum and Dad woke up. “Oh no!” I said. Mum said “Get the gun and shoot it and we can eat it up!” The next day my friends gave me a pig. “Oh no!” I said. When they left, we shot it and we ate it too!

David Kilah

I found a strange package at the door when I opened it to go to school. I opened it and there was a puppy and I yelled “Mum get down here!” and then there was no response and Mum jumped out from hiding and gave me a fright and I forgot it was my birthday.

Patrick Walker