Calendar of Events

MAY
21-26 Book Fair
22 Disney Dress Up Day

JUNE
8 Queens birthday holiday
26 Ball Games Carnival
End of Term 2

Our school newsletter is published every fortnight and also available on our school website.

EVERYDAY COUNTS!
Our school target is 95% attendance.
2015. ONLY 112 DAYS LEFT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO YOUR CHILD’S EDUCATION BY MAKING SURE THEY ARE AT SCHOOL.
Parents must supply a reason for an absence. Either text, or send a note stating the reason your child is away.

P&C Association
Tuesday 9th June
School library
3.30PM
All Welcome

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

From the Principal…
Mrs Kowitz is currently on leave at the moment and Mrs Peach is the Acting Principal in her absence.

Well done to all the Year 3 and 5 students who completed the NAPLAN testing last week. It was a very busy three days with students completing exams in the areas of Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation, Reading, Writing and Numeracy. It was pleasing to see how these students tried their best in all exams and came to school with positive attitudes.

We are now halfway through Term 2! All classes are now in the middle of units of work and will be completing assessment tasks from now until the end of term. It is important to remember that everyday is important at school and that students need to be at school unless they are sick. Semester One Report Cards will be issued by the end of term for all students.

Congratulations to all students who competed at the Cross Country last week. The level of competition is always of a high standard for this event and it is wonderful to hear how students from Tent Hill Lower competed well and showed good sportsmanship. Well done to Tait and Tristan who will go on to represent the Lockyer Valley at Regional Cross Country and Danny who has been nominated as a reserve.

Don’t forget to come in and look at the Book Fair which is currently set up in the school library. There are numerous books to select from, for all ages and are quite reasonably priced.

Around the Classrooms ...

Prep—Yr 2 (Mrs Samuelsen) In English we are beginning to explore how authors create animal characters that have human characteristics. In maths we have been focussing on partitioning 2 digit numbers into tens and ones. The prep children are making fantastic progress in their letter and number work!

Yrs 3/4 (Mrs Peach) In English we have begun a unit which examines Traditional Stories from Asia. We are learning about the structure of these stories and the morals they contain. The assessment task for this unit is writing our own traditional story which teaches a moral or lesson.

Yrs 5/6 (Mrs Kowitz/Mrs Martin) In English, we have started a new unit on advertisements. We are looking at the structure of advertisements and how language (noun groups) and language devices (personification or metaphors) are used to persuade the reader. At the end of the term, the students should be creating their own advertisements to persuade the viewer to take a holiday at a certain location.
SCHOOL NEWS...

**CROSS COUNTRY**

Congratulations to our place getters at the Zone Cross Country -
Tait Zischke 3rd Boys 10yrs
Tristan Kerwick 2nd Boys 11yrs
Tait & Tristan will now go on to compete in the Regional Cross Country in Toowoomba next Tuesday.

Well done to all students who competed last Friday.

**BOOK FAIR**

We will once again be hosting a Book Fair from Thurs May 21 to Tues May 26. Shop times are as follows:
8:15—8:45am and 3:00—3:30pm

As part of our book fair activities we will be holding a Disney Dress Up Day on Friday May 22. Students are encouraged to change into their school uniform after the parade.

**P&C NEWS**

**Strawberries & Ice-cream Stall -HELPERS NEEDED**

Thank you to those families that have nominated the times to help out... however we are still looking for help on Saturday 3-7pm & Saturday 6-9pm. As this is our biggest fundraiser we need EVERY family to help out!!

What: **Strawberry & Ice-cream Stall** at the
When: **Friday 17th & Saturday 18th July, 2015**
Where: **Gatton Show**

Please let Kym know on 0409063838, thank you in advance.

**Pie Drive**

By now every family should have received an order form, money & orders are due on Friday 12th June. See Michelle if you need another form.

**GERMAN NEWS:**

Students are busy practising their skills of Tip Kick which is a German board game of soccer. Lunch times are going to becoming very competitive as the students train for the annual Tip Kick competition. The winning students from our school will attend the Tip Kick competition in Gatton in Term 3.

Alles beste, Frau Chapman

**Chappy Corner……..**

One of the most interesting people I have ever heard of is a young Queenslander called Nick Vujicic. This man was born with no arms or legs and by the age of 6 had become convinced that his life could never amount to anything worthwhile. His future looked very bleak.

Nick had no idea that he would become a world renowned speaker. He didn’t realise that he had been blessed with an amazing gift for encouraging others. In his adult years, he has visited many countries and has toured many areas of Australia, using his life story to transform the lives and attitudes of many thousands of people.

Nick reaches out to all those who are struggling with problems, teaching them ways to face life’s difficulties, just one step at a time. This man has had to overcome some incredible hurdles in his own life and yet joy and love just radiate from him.

If you haven’t encountered Nick, please let me suggest that you visit [http://www.attitudeisaltitude.com/](http://www.attitudeisaltitude.com/) – you will be amazed at this man. In particular check out the video clip “No Arms, No Legs, No Worries.” Just click on the tab for his story and then click on the bullying tab. His attitude is hard earned and amazing.

Marg Thorpe.. Chaplain
Nutrition Australia's new Healthy Eating Pyramid is here!

The Healthy Eating Pyramid is a simple visual guide to the types and proportion of foods that we should eat every day for good health. It contains the five core food groups, plus healthy fats, according to how much they contribute to a balanced diet based on the Australian Dietary Guidelines (2013).

**The layers of the Healthy Eating Pyramid**

**The foundation layers** include the three plant-based food groups: **vegetables and legumes, fruits, grains.** These layers make up the largest portion of the Pyramid because plant foods should make up the largest portion of our diet – around 70% of what we eat!

**The middle layer** includes the **milk, yoghurt, cheese & alternatives** and the **lean meat, poultry, fish, eggs, nuts, seeds, legumes** food groups.

**The top layer refers to healthy fats** because we need small amounts every day to support heart health and brain function. We should choose foods that contain healthy fats instead of foods that contain saturated fats and trans fats.

For more information visit the Nutrition Australia Website:  [http://nutritionaustralia.org](http://nutritionaustralia.org)

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**Years 3 to 6 Technology Task**

Last week the students in Years 3 to 6 were set the task of designing, creating and testing a parachute which was able to float slowly to the ground when launched from the top of the old library building steps. To add to the challenge a raw egg (wrapped in bubble wrap) was attached to the parachute. An extra challenge was then created - try not to break the egg!

Children worked in pairs for this project and it was amazing to see the variety of designs they came up with. It was also a credit to the students to see how well they worked in pairs to test and modify their designs.