**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Tuckshop operates every MONDAY & FRIDAY. All orders are to be handed into the tuckshop by 8:45am

Orders are to be written on a brown paper bag—separate bags to be used for each meal break. Please include name, class and for which break on the bag.

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**FREE Basketball Clinic**

Where: Oakey State School Multipurpose Hall

When: Wednesday 30 July

Time: 3:00pm

The clinic is sponsored by The New Hope Group and facilitated by members of the Toowoomba Mountaineers. Please support this initiative as it is a wonderful opportunity for children to have fun and develop new skills.

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**DATE CLAIMER**

**Friday 5th December**

Swimming Carnival

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**Community Playgroup**

A Community Playgroup is being held at ‘Yumba’ each Tuesday: 9:00—11:00 am

All ages are welcome.

Entry by Gold Coin donation.

For more information call 0457 915 137

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**Goolburri Aboriginal Health Advancement**

has now started our bulk billing General Practice Service for Indigenous and non-Indigenous clients.

We can now bulk bill to any Medicare card holders. To book an appointment please call to speak with one of our receptionists on 07-4632 0338 or come in to our office at 20 Scott Street, Toowoomba. We are open (5) five days a week and our opening hours are from 8:30—5:00.

Have you your Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health check (715)?

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**Quinalow State School Comedy Gala**

Join us for a night of fun, frivolity and cheeky humour as we host three of Australia’s premier comedians courtesy of The Comedy Empire...

**Saturday, 6 September, 2014**

Brymaroo Rodeo Grounds at 7pm

Tickets $40 includes gourmet nibbles, live music and licensed bar until 1am. Group bookings of 10 per table. Pre-paid tickets only.

**Book Now:** It'll be a laugh a minute!

Admission restricted to adults 18+ only.

Camping available.

**Booking/Info:** Nat Collins 4692 1314 or Belinda Wilson 4692 7796

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**From the Principal’s Desk**

Every day counts at Oakey State School

Are you giving your child the best chance of success at school? At Oakey State School every day counts. It is a legal requirement that students attend school every day unless they are sick.

While most students attend school consistently, there is a small number of students who are absent from school without an acceptable reason and this may harm their education. Going shopping, visiting family, staying up late and being tired or extending school holidays are not acceptable reasons to be away from school. Research shows that if your child has a record of good attendance, they are more likely to achieve high results in the future.

If your child is away, you need to let the school know the reasons beforehand, or within two days of returning to school.

All student absences will be closely monitored by the school. Please make every day count and set your child up for success at school.

**Current Attendance Rates**

- Prep 91.5%
- Year One 89.5%
- Year Two 91.7%
- Year Three 91.5%
- Year Four 91.6%
- Year Five 88%
- Year Six 92.6%
- Year Seven 87%

Our school target for the year is an overall attendance rate of 95% or higher.

**NAIDOC celebrations**

Our Steps into Prep students enjoyed some storytelling and weaving as a part of their NAIDOC week celebration. We thank Aunty Maylynda who also shared a story with prep and year one.

Please remember that this Friday is the schools inter-house sports day. Parents, friends and family members are most welcome to come along and support our students participate in the various events.

Tuckshop will be open and operating out of the Multi-function hall.

Have a great week, Scott Pacey, Principal

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**Term 3 2014—16th July 2014**

**Calendar of Events**

- **Friday 25th July**
  - School Athletics Carnival

- **Monday 28 July—Friday 1 August**
  - Year 5 students at Tallebudgera camp

- **Monday 4th August**
  - P & C Meeting @ 5:30pm

- **Monday 11th August**
  - West Zone Athletics Carnival

- **Tuesday 12th August**
  - Year 2/3 Concert 5—5:45pm

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**Quinalow State School**

SCHOOL ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

In the interest of supervision and safety, children are not to arrive at school before 8:20am and should be collected/leave the school grounds no later than 3:15pm each day. No supervision for students is offered before or after school. Our staff are extremely busy in the mornings and afternoons with curriculum preparation, meetings and administrative tasks, and therefore are not available to supervise early arrivals or late departures. Thank you for your support and understanding; it is greatly appreciated.

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**Would you like to see new healthy eating and exercise activities in your area?**

Let us know by 31 July!

As part of Council’s CHANGE Project, Council is considering introducing healthy eating (FOODcents and Seed to Feed) and exercise / fitness activities in your area! If you’re interested in participating, please contact your Community Liaison Officer David Totenhofer on 0418 876 131 or David.Totenhofer@toowoomba.qld.gov.au to register your interest by 31 July 2014!

For more information about The CHANGE Project contact Council 131 872 or email change@toowombo.qld.gov.au.

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**NEXT LUNCH: 17th August 2014**

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**Friends of the Woolshed Old Time Dance**

At Janndaran Woolshed in Flagstone Creek Hall

Date: 9th August, 8:00pm—12 midnight

Band: Marits Music

Cost: Adults $10 Children (5-15) $5 under 5 FREE

Includes supper; lucky door; Monte Carlo; lucky spot;
Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing $60 per student towards the cost under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Recently you received a letter from the Department of Education, Training and Employment asking you to participate in this year’s online School Opinion Survey. The survey is anonymous. Your feedback is valuable to us as it enables us to make improvements. If you do not have access to a computer, please contact the school and we will make arrangements for you to use our facilities. If you did not receive a letter, please contact the office.

On Tuesday morning the 4A, 4B, 4/5A and 5B classes were treated to a visit by Australian author Steven Herrick. We had read and enjoyed one of his books, ‘Do Wrong Ron’, during borrowing sessions and then students were able to borrow several of his books as the library stocked up on multiple copies. Steven Herrick writes in poetry form but not rhyming poetry. He writes about real life and his books are hilarious. He had us all laughing throughout the session as he recited some of his poems and told us about his life. He commented on how respectful and thoughtful our students were and was very impressed with the questions they had prepared for him. He said that he gets the same questions from most schools but that our Oakey kids asked probing questions that made him think. Well done kids. Keep reading his books and let’s start writing some of our own poetry!

Mr Harycki, Teacher Librarian

Congratulations to the following students for the great job they have done at school during the week

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**Prep—Year 3:**
- Shyanne—PB, Logan—PA, Tremaine—2A, Faye—2B, Whole class—1A rep

**Year 4—7:**
- Harvey, Alex & Jacob—4/5A, Darcy 4A, Jenna—4B, Jayden—5B, Joshua—T2

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**NO Caps allowed—Broad brimmed or Bucket hats only.**

Please label ALL your Childs’ possessions.

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The Toth, The Whole Toth and Nothing But The Toth.

Presented by our Year 2 and Year 3 students at Oakey State School

**“Do Wrong Ron”**

Mr Harycki, Teacher Librarian

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**Athletics Day Hall Tuckshop Menu**

**Friday 25th July**

No normal Tuckshop will operate on this day.

- **Hot Food**
  - Meat Pies $3.50
  - Hamburgers $4.50
  - Chicken Burgers $4.50
  - Sausage roll $2.50
  - Sausage on bread $2.50

- **Drinks**
  - Water $2.00
  - Juice Bomb $2.50
  - Pop Top $2.00
  - Focus Fruit Water $2.50
  - Breaka Milk $2.50

- **Snacks**
  - Apple Slinky $1.00
  - Jumpy’s $1.50
  - JJ’s $1.50
  - Ajta Vege Chips (GF) $1.50
  - Red Rock Honey Soy $2.00
  - Hello Panda $1.00
  - Chocolate Muffin $2.00
  - pavlova $1.50

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**P&C MEETING DATES**

We would love to see some more people at our P & C meetings. Meetings are held in the school office once a month starting at 5:30pm and finishing by 7:30pm. The meetings dates are:

- **4th August**
- **1st September**
- **13th October**
- **3rd November**
- **1st December**

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**WANTED**

Please assist to top up our spare clothing pool. We are especially in need of bottoms: Track pants, shorts, underpants.

Those that have utilised the clothing pool, please wash and return clothes so that we can continue to offer this service.

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**WANTED**

Long sleeve white collared shirts for choir / band uniforms

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**SUN SAFETY**

is IMPORTANT NO Hat—NO Play!

NO Caps allowed—Broad brimmed or Bucket hats only.

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**HELPERS WANTED**

P&C would appreciate assistance on Friday 25th July to assist with preparation and selling of Tuckshop items.

If you would like to volunteer for this day please call Shirley between 9am—2pm on 0487 057 364 or text her outside these hours. Shirley will get back to you as soon as she is available.

P&C would also appreciate donation of the following items:

- Sauce—Tomato & BBQ
- Mayonnaise
- Lettuce
- Cheese
- Beetroot
- Carrot

Thanks, Shirley Hay—Tuckshop convenor

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**Music**