We invite Stall Holders to come to our Dundula State School Harvest Fair on Saturday, 22nd October, 2016 from 11am to 4pm.

Memorandum of Understanding

Stall Holders are to provide own shelter / marquee
Stall Holders are to supply own generators if power is required

Stall Holders must have own (current) insurances

If you are interested, please contact the school office on 0408820025 or alternatively email jhodg75@eq.edu.au to confirm your interest in this event before the end of August. Spaces are limited and are filling fast.

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For EFT/Direct Deposit Payments, our School’s Bank Account Details are . . . .

Hampden State School
2880 Bruce Highway, Kuttabul 4741

CO/- Post Office, Kuttabul 4741 (07) 4966 0666 091 210 088
Student Absence (07) 4966 0688 admin@hampdenss.eq.edu.au
Our P&C Meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month
www.hampdenss.eq.edu.au

Principal’s Message

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE:

Hi All,

We are now well over half way through this term and starting to get towards our assessment period when we check our students understanding in a range of different curriculum areas. A reminder that every day really does count and to inform us as soon as reasonably possible if your child will be absent from school.

75 Days of School:

Last Monday Cath Lalor, our school’s Assistant Regional Director visited. Cath was extremely happy with how we were travelling and we had some good discussions around continue to move forward. As a result we’ve developed a 75 day plan for the remainder of the year which will focus on our core priorities of reading and spelling. We will continue to strive to ensure that every child makes progress towards their reading and spelling goals.

Parent Interviews:

Thank you to all those families who attended interviews during week 5 and 6. I am still making some times available for parents of students in Year 4/5/6 to meet with me due to a number of conflicting appointments. Alternatively, I am available for phone interviews if this is more suitable.

THRASS Open Morning:

On Wednesday 14 September we will hold a THRASS information session at the school from 9:00-11:00am. Melissa Caruana, Master Teacher at Calen District College, will deliver a parent information session from 9:00am. This will be followed by in-class sessions where parents can observe teachers delivering a spelling lesson and then join in with some fun games with their children. Official invitations will be sent home next week and all parents who reply and attend will receive a THRASS pack which will contain a range of resources to help you support your child’s spelling.

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Bronwyn’s Retirement Dinner:

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Have a great week!

Shane Wilkie
FROM THE LOWER SCHOOL

Prep/1/2: Olivia Gordon

Part of our Geography unit in the Preps, Ones and Twos is to make a model of our school playground. We will be starting this in the next couple of weeks and would appreciate any donations of small boxes and other construction materials. Students in our class have also enjoyed playing ‘Spelling City’ on the computers. This is able to be played at home and I have been giving out the site to go to. If your child does not have the web address, please let me know so I can give them a copy. It has lots of fun games and is a great way to practice our spelling words.

FROM THE MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL

Year 2/3/4: Kharsa Wright

Over the past few weeks Mrs Gee has been testing our students ‘No Excuse Spelling’. During this time we have found that results for these tests have been down a little than on previous testing occasions. Parents please remind your child that these words need to be practiced regularly. With regular practice we should see students apply these words correctly in their writing.

Year 4/5/6: Katrina Munchow & Shane Wilkie

NO EXCUSE Spelling—Every 5 weeks your child receives a list of 25 words which form part of their NO-EXCUSE Spelling program. The expectation is that students will focus on 5 words per week (very manageable). Currently it appears many students aren’t looking at these words. This will be a big focus in Term 3 and 4 as we strive to support students’ spelling improvement.

P&C NEWS

Hi all,

I would like to start by acknowledging all the hard work of the grounds care parents who have done an amazing job over the last 2 months keeping our school grounds looking great. I’d like to thank, Ione and John Watkins and Butch and Jennifer Taylor who covered June as well as Colleen and Chris Thompson and Bronson and Amy McEwan who covered July. The condition of the mowers themselves was discussed at last Tuesday’s P&C meeting and replacement mowers will be re-viewed over the next few months.

As mentioned, the P&C meeting was held last Tuesday with a range of topics covered. Amongst other items we discussed next year’s school trip making a donation to the school to assist with upgrading interactive white boards in the Prep,1,2 room and replacement mowers will be reviewed over the next few months.

Lastly we have another race day coming up on September 17 where we have again been asked by the Mackay Turf Club to assist with the bars. If you are able to assist or you would like to know more please contact Julie McLean or Rex Munchow.

“I need to talk to you” That one sentence that has the power to make you remember every single bad thing you did in your whole life.

Cheers,
Scott McLean
Hampden State School P&C President

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Dominic—Year 6: 30th August—12 years old
Heidi—Year 2: 1st September—8 years old
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