From the Principal...

Literacy and Numeracy Testing Results

The results of the 2016 National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests have now been released. Specific reports for Gympie Central SS (GCSS) in terms of our percentage of students meeting the National Minimum Standards (NMS), Mean Scale Score (MSS), and Upper Two Band (U2B) are shown over page.

School reports are available on the Queensland Studies Authority website at www.qsa.qld.edu.au and every student who participated in the 2016 NAPLAN test will receive an individual report containing their results. This report will be sent home Friday this week.

This individual report provides a range of information about your child’s performance on each of the literacy and numeracy tests. It contains a detailed guide on what was assessed in each test and how to interpret these results. Parents and carers are encouraged to thoroughly read the report and explanatory notes, and contact your child’s teacher if you would like more information.

It’s important to remember that these tests are just one form of assessment of a child’s abilities in literacy and numeracy. The results should be considered along with other school report information.

If you would like more information about the NAPLAN tests and reports, the website www.naplan.edu.au has a range of resources available to parents, including video overviews of the NAPLAN report process, the Student Report and an explanation of the NAPLAN common assessment scale. A range of parent fact sheets, resources and activities are also available on the Department of Education and Training website at www.education.qld.gov.au to help your child with reading, writing and maths.

Vacation Notice

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STUDENT ABSENCE HOTLINE—Tel 5480 2166
Due to the high number of calls at this time of year, please help us out by using the Student Absence Hotline to report student absences.

HEADLICE Please ensure you check your child’s hair regularly and treat if necessary.

THURSDAY’S TIDINGS

‘The Weekly Newsletter of Gympie Central State School’

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UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST
Thurs/Fri 11th & 12th
Gympie District Athletics at Albert Park

Friday, 19th
Fire Education Visit (Year 1)

Wed, 24th
School Photos

SEPTEMBER
W-F, 7th-9th
Year 6 Camp

To be advised
Junior Swimming Lessons

SCHOOL WATCH
Tel: 13 17 88
Look Listen Report

Great state. Great opportunity.
GYMPIE CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
President: Rachel Coull  Secretary: Micki Bennett  Treasurer: Samantha Comfort  Vice President: Anita Kruger
Tuckshop / Uniform Convenor: Stephanie Butler  School Banking Coordinator: Anita Kruger  Fundraising Coordinator: Andrea Moreland

“P & C Meetings are held on Tuesday evenings in weeks 3 and 7 of each school term”

NAPLAN Results

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School Matters!

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

School Photos - Wednesday, 24 August
Please note that School Photo Day is fast approaching and will be held on Wednesday, 24 August. An Order Envelope for each child will be sent home soon. Photos packs range in price from $22-$40.

Friday, 26 August – is a School Day
In previous years we have had a pupil free day on the Friday of the muster. Due to the changes in pupil free days with the two week break at Easter, we won’t be having a pupil free day at this time. The only pupil free day that exists now is in October. Our school will be operating as usual on Friday, August 26th – there is no Muster Pupil Free Day.

Broncos Challenge
Well done to our Year 5/6 Rugby League Team playing in the Broncos Challenge last Friday. The team played very well and were undefeated on the day. Special congratulations to Jack as Player of the Day and Troy who was Players Player. (See photo over page)

Cheers, Geoff...

Tuckshop

ROSTER
FRIDAY, 12 August
Carly Hextall

MONDAY, 15 August
Groceries: Karen Hawkins

WEDNESDAY, 17 August
Bobbie Black
Groceries: Jenny Finch

GROceries
Tinned Pineapple
Tinned Beetroot
Jatz
Popcorn
Brown Paper Bags

***** REMINDERS *****

• Please write your order clearly using blue or black pen.
• Noodles, cups of soups, etc need to be handed in to the Tuckshop before first break. Please note there will be a 50c fee to cover costs.

Tuckshop & Uniform Shop Operating Times
• Mondays - Open First Break ONLY
• Wednesdays & Fridays - Open Both Breaks
Awards Presented on Parade - Friday, 5 August 2016

Prep S  Nevaeh  Working well at writing a rhyme.
        Lucca   Working well at writing a rhyme.
Prep O  Genna   Great listening for sounds in words.
        Josh   Good subitising in maths.
1M      Riley   Putting a huge effort into his writing this week.
        Jordan Welcome to Gympie central!
1S      Ceanna  Fantastic behaviour!
        Kaneesha Reaching her reading goal!
2S      Tyson   Welcome to Gympie Central State School.
        Gabrielle A great effort in reading and using the stretchy snake strategy.
2/3W    Izan    A much improved attitude towards his learning and for remaining focused on task.
        Patrick Your enthusiasm in learning and sharing your thinking.
3H      Tansey  Being a respectful active listener at all times.
        Hayden  Being a learner in reading groups by reading and following instructions.
4H      Zayne   Extraordinary mentor sentence work.
        Janae   Improved behaviour in class. Keep it up!
5G      Astrid  Consistent improvement of maths facts.
        Caleb   Positive behaviour change in the classroom.
5/6G    Troy    Working hard in class.
        Izzy    Working hard in class.
6L      Lane    Great participation and understanding in mathematics
        Zane    Defying the trend and being a dedicated choir member.
The Gympie Mathematics Alliance (Gympie West, Gympie Central, Gympie South, One Mile, Two Mile, Jones Hill and Gympie State High Schools) held the first Bangers and Math night on Tuesday. Over 270 people enjoyed a sausage sizzle, jumping castles and a family mathematics session. Research shows that the more actively interested in their child’s education a parent is, the higher the educational outcome for that child will be and it was great to see so many mums, dads and grandparents there supporting their children’s learning.

The session was presented by Rob Proffit-White, a renowned expert in the teaching of mathematics. Rob spoke about how numeracy is taught and gave parents lots of helpful hints and tips to assist their children feel confident in mathematics. Every family took home a gift bag with games, counters and dice to play at home.

Thank you to all of our families who went along. If you couldn’t get there this time, there will be another Bangers and Math night held in Term 4. More details will come out closer to the time.
PLEASE NOTE: An envelope for each child will be sent home soon...

PHOTO DAY

Gympie Central State School
Wednesday 24th August, 2016

Important Information
Silver Rose Photography will be at the school on the above date to photograph groups and student portraits.
To ensure you have no problems with your order please read your school photo envelope carefully.
• Your child must return their envelope on PHOTO DAY.
• If your child does not hand an envelope to the photographer, they may not be photographed for individual portraits.
• You can place a late order with Silver Rose but usually only for group photos.
• Make your payment by cash, credit card (Visa or Mastercard), cheque or money order.
• If you have any questions about Photo Day please call Silver Rose on (07) 32625788

Sports and Special Groups
You can order sports and special groups from our website. Simply proceed to the schools section of our website and choose Co-Curricular Ordering from the menu.

www.silverrose.com.au