THURSDAY’S TIDINGS

‘The Weekly Newsletter of Gympie Central State School’

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER
Saturday, 15th Gold Rush Parade, 3.30pm
Monday, 17th Pupil Free Day
Tuesday, 18th P&C Meeting, 7.00pm
Tuesday, 18th-24th Book Fair
Wednesday, 26th Prep 2017 Info Session (for Parents) 5.30pm-6.30pm
Friday, 28th World Teachers’ Day

NOVEMBER
Tuesday, 1st Prep 2017 Orientation Session
Thursday, 10th Prep 2017 Orientation Session
Tuesday, 15th P&C Meeting
Monday, 28th Year 6 to 7 Transition Day
Wed, 30th Fraser Island Trip (Yr 5) (note: date change)

DECEMBER
Thursday, 1st School Concert
Monday, 5th Year 6 Leaving Ceremony
Tuesday, 6th Pink Stumps Day
Wednesday, 7th Behaviour Rewards Movie / Excursion

From the Principal...

Book Week Parade
Our Book Week Parade Dress Up Parade was held today. It was great to see so many students participate by dressing up using the Australia theme or a book character. Thank you to all the families and teachers who helped make the morning such a success. Photos will be published in future newsletters.

Gold Rush Parade - Saturday, 15 October
Our school will be participating in the Gympie Gold Rush Parade on Saturday and any students who would like to participate are very welcome. Parents who are able to bring their children to the March, should meet school staff outside the Civic Centre on Mellor Street at 3.30pm. The parade leaves Mellor Street at 4pm and parents can collect their children immediately after the March in Lehman Park between Reef Street and River Road at approximately 4.30pm. Students are expected to wear school uniform and hats (it is advised they bring a water bottle).

Pupil Free Day - Monday, 17 October
Monday is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be involved in Professional Development at other schools around town. Please make sure this date is marked on your calendars. Please note our Outside School Hours Care program will be operating on this day.

P & C Meeting - Tuesday, 18 October
Our next P & C Meeting will be on Tuesday night at 7:00pm. The meetings are held in our new staffroom and everyone is welcome to come along. The best place to park will be in School / O’Connell Streets. The main points of discussion are going to be about; The Great Gympie Duck Race, upcoming camps & student excursions and the progress of our new Annual Improvement Plan and Strategic Plan 2015-2019.

PUPIL FREE DAY
Monday, 17th October

Gold Rush Parade
Saturday, 15th October

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”

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**Book Fair**

Please note Book Fair will run from Tuesday, 18th to Monday, 24th October. It’s a great time to purchase items for Christmas and help raise funds for our school. Brochures have been sent home today.

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**Prep Information Evening - Wed, 26 October**

We will be holding a Prep Information Session for parents on Wednesday, 26 October, 5:30pm-6:30pm. We are also having two Prep Orientation Sessions where your child can come and experience our Prep Program. Those sessions will be held on Tuesday, 1 November & Thursday, 10 November at 9:00am-10:00am.

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**Year 5 Fraser Island Excursion - 30 November**

Please note, letters were sent home this week. Please return your permission slips and payment as soon as possible.

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**Rewarding Good Behaviour**

As part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support, we will be rewarding Prep-Yr5 children in the last week of school with a trip to the movies. Parents will need to pay a contribution towards the outing which will be no more than $7. Year 6 students will be rewarded with an excursion to Noosa - contribution cost to be advised. Students who have met the school's behaviour expectations will be invited to attend. Students will need to meet two criteria in order to be eligible to attend the excursion. They will need:

- C or better for behaviour, on their report card
- 90% or better attendance rate

If you would like a copy of the school’s behaviour expectations please come into the office.

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**2017 Classes**

Next year we will be starting the year with an eleven class format. Final numbers on day eight of 2017 will dictate final class structures. An outline of our classes will be included in the newsletter at the end of November and final class lists will be released in the last week of term if possible.

It is important that we know, as soon as possible, about any new enrolments that we can expect in 2017 – particularly those children starting Prep. This will help to ensure that we have a great start to 2017. If you, or anyone you know, is considering starting a new student at our school in the new year, please have them contact us ASAP.

Cheers, Geoff...

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**TUCKSHOP**

**ROSTER**

**FRIDAY, 14 Oct**

Bobbie Black

**MONDAY, 17 Oct**

CLOSED: PUPIL FREE DAY

**WEDNESDAY, 19 Oct**

Groceries: Karen Hawkins

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**GROCERIES**

- Jatz
- Saos
- Mayo
- Popcorn
- Alfoil
- Cordial

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****** **REMINDE R **S ******

- 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.

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**Tuckshop & Uniform Shop Operating Times**

- Mondays - Open First Break ONLY
- Wednesdays & Fridays - Open Both Breaks

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**REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR HAT EVERY DAY & DRINK PLENTY OF WATER AS THE WEATHER WARMS UP**

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**HEADLICE**

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

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**ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN FOR PREP 2017**

Please contact the office for an Enrolment Pack

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**FOR SALE**

Second Hand Violins (x2)  
3/4 size - good condition  
Tel 0400 829 779

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Awards Presented on Parade - Friday, 7 October 2016

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           Nevaeh    Clever ideas in history.
Prep O     Emelia   Enthusiastic approach to learning tasks.
           Lucifer  Showing resilience in various settings.
1M         William  Working well in reading groups and trying his best.
           Gia       Being a respectful and friendly class member.
1S         Kane      Trying hard with Math warm ups.
           Corey     Great start to the term with excellent behaviour.
2S         Lahni    Welcome to Gympie Central.
           Ben       Improved work habits.
2/3W       Scarlett Your enthusiastic contribution to class discussions. Great job.
           Rose      Your enthusiastic contribution to class discussions. Great job.
3H         L’itrele  Working hard to manage his own behaviour.
           Emma      Being an active listener who tries hard at all tasks.
4H         Lexi      Huge improvement in attitude and effort.
           Shannon  Being an attentive listener and following instructions.
5G         Bailey   Resilience and catching up on learning.
           Tyler    Improvement with graphs.
5/6G       Matthew  Improved behaviour, results and effort.
           Kayla     Taking part in all areas of class work.
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HOT SHOTS TENNIS COACHING

Gympie and District Tennis Association Coach Matt Watkins will commence the Hot Shots Coaching program on Friday 14th October at Gympie Central State School. Lessons will be held Friday mornings from 8.00am to 8.40am. The program is for a minimum block of 7 weeks. Costs will be $70.00/pupil or $130.00 for 2 children in the same family. Loan racquets are available each week.

Please return this form to the office or register with Matt by Thursday 13th October.

Name.............................................  Age........ Grade........  Phone/s..................................................
Parent/Guardian Signature..........................  Email.................................

To Register for Term 4 phone Matt Watkins on 0417070129. Cash payment or Cheques payable to Brett Cottrill please.

Direct Deposit: B A COTTRILL, BSB 014585 ACCT 3359786 students name as reference.

Gympie SHS Scholarship Recipients

PINK STUMPS DAY

Tuesday, 6 December, 1.30pm-3.00pm

This will be a schoolwide Term 4 fundraiser for Breast Cancer research with a T20 blast (20 over game in the last week of school) with music etc. to make it more fun. Our target is $250.

Donations over $20 should be done on the website link to Pink Stumps Day; less than $20 to the school office in an envelope if receipt required or just add money to the tin on the office counter.

Outside School Hours Care will be open here at Central on the Pupil Free Day, Monday, 17 October.

What a fun holidays we had at vacation care!! Thanks to all the families that were involved and made it fun. To those who didn’t join us, we hope your holidays were super exciting!

We have started to plan fun activities for this term, including explosive science experiments, loads of outdoor games and children constantly sharing their creativity in many forms. We base our activities on your children’s interests to make it as fun as possible.

I (Matilda) am going away for 4 weeks for study so we have a new person, Leisa (who is fully qualified), coming to complete our morning team.

If you would like to book your children in, please call 0437 665 966.