COMING EVENTS
Note the following dates in your Diary:
Class Photographs:
- Tuesday 20/05/14
- Wednesday, 21/05/14
Last Day Term 1:
- Friday 4th April
Tuesday, 23rd April:
- School resumes for Term 2
Wednesday, 23rd April, 2.00pm:
ANZAC DAY CEREMONY in the Hall
Friday 25th April:
ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY
TUCKSHOP
Every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
UNIFORM SHOP
Open Tuesday from 8.30am - 9.30am and Thursday from 2.30pm - 3.30pm.

FROM THE DEPUTY

MID SEMESTER REPORTING
The end of Term 1 offers the opportunity for Parents to talk with teachers about how your children are progressing at school. Other than in our 6/7 area this is not a formal process and should parents wish to talk to teachers they need to make contact and organise a suitable time. There may be some teachers who wish to speak to parents and you may receive communication from the school about this. If you wish to speak to your child’s teacher, we ask that you contact them to make a suitable time. Just trying to catch them on the run before or after school will not allow the quality time needed for discussions.

SWPBS (SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT) MATTERS
Welcome to Week 10, Term 1, and the Value for this week is “Acting Responsibly” with the focus being “I wait calmly in the designated area until I am collected after school”. In discussions, Teachers talk about:
- Wait for bus or Parents in the correct area, and
- Stay in the school grounds.

Just to refresh your memories, and to also remind your child/ren about what has been discussed throughout the Term, please find listed below a summary of discussion items. As you are able to see, a whole range of things are covered. Sincere thanks for assisting us in our continuing efforts to ensure that all students who attend this wonderful school are provided with the skills to become active, involved and informed citizens.

SWPBS 2014 WEEKLY FOCUSSES - TERM 1

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Hand electronic devices into office |
| 3    | T     | I think about doing my best. | Do my best  
Think about my best work and my best attitude |
| 4    | S     | I sit and move appropriately in the classroom. | Sit safely on the floor  
Keep hands and feet to yourself  
Sit safely in chair  
Walk inside |
| 5    | R     | I put up my hand and wait my turn to speak. | Put hands up and wait  
Use one-speaker rule |
| 6    | A     | I take responsibility for my belongings and school property. | Take care of own belongings  
Take care of others’ property  
Put lunch box away |
| 7    | S     | I play safely. | Use play equipment safely |
| 8    | R     | I respect cultural differences. (Coincides with Harmony Day) | Be tolerant and fair  
Accept and acknowledge differences in others |
| 9    | T     | I think about the manner in which I exit the school grounds at home time. | Use pedestrian gates  
Walk bikes and scooters in school grounds  
Use pedestrian crossings |
As previously advised, this coming Thursday, 3rd, April, 2014, we will be acknowledging those students who have upheld the School’s STAR Values throughout Term 1. The celebration will involve having some play time in the park behind the Japanese Gardens as well as having an icy stick and a chocolate. Children will walk to and from the School under the supervision of School Staff. Students who have had three (3) or more Time Out Room or RTR Referrals will not be eligible to attend and participate. Our ultimate aim is 100% attendance/participation.

Continuing on with the theme from the past 4 weeks, this week we will focus on what the expectations are of you, the Parents!!! 

The Parental Involvement Pledge: AS A PARENT, GRANDPARENT, OR CARING ADULT, I hereby give my pledge of commitment to help our community’s children achieve a truly independent future.

* As parents, we are the owners of our state school system.
* As owners, we bear a responsibility to participate in the system. Accountability for our public schools, their safety, their employees, and their funding rests with us and the rest of the system’s owners.
* Our children’s future depends on the improvement of the public schools.
* This improvement depends on our participation.

THEREFORE, AS A PARENT, GRANDPARENT, OR CARING ADULT, I take personal responsibility for my child’s safety and education and the safety and education of the children in this community. I pledge to volunteer a minimum of five hours of my time to my public schools each semester. I pledge to spend a minimum of 15 minutes each school night reading with my child, or we will work together on homework and enrichment activity.

If we all continue to play our part, and take on board all of what has been mentioned during this time, then we will see improvements in the behaviours/attitudes of the students. Keep working with us as a Partnership.

In the ‘Cooee’, Edition No. 3.14, DATED 11th February, 2014, mention was made of a newspaper article, “SING THEIR PRAISES SOFTLY’, written by Dr Karen Brooks.

Please find following the most pertinent stand out photograph. “Kids are not equal and neither are they stupid. We just sometimes treat them like they are—stupid, fragile and incapable of coping with criticism - when the reality is, if it’s delivered constructively (so they understand how to improve), they respect it and thrive”.

Hoping that you get a giggle (or two) out of the following cartoon. It ties in very nicely with the aforementioned information.

Enjoy ……
It is the light side of receiving your child/rens Report Card.
YEARS 1—7 RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

Over the past couple of days, you would have received a note that outlines the Co-operative Religious Instruction Program. This Program will commence on Monday, 28th April 2014 and Thursday, 1st May 2014. The note that you received outlines all of the details. If you wish your children to participate, please return the form and payment of $7.50 to the School Office as soon as possible, but definitely by Thursday 24th April 2014, so that the timetable can be compiled.

If any parent has any queries or concerns or wishes to seek clarification about any matter, please feel free to contact Mr Allan Bagley (Deputy Principal) on Telephone Number (07) 4636 8333.

SEP NEWS

TOOWOOMBA SHOW AWARDS Last week many of our students won awards at the Toowoomba Show for artwork and cooking. Although everyone did not receive awards what is important is the amount of effort each student put into their entry. This year the Art section was highly contested. Congratulations go to Maddie Brown and Rifat Islam (1st); Ryan Barlow, Riley Barlow and Sarah Hayes (2nd); Asher Peters and Lukuach Pach (3rd); for their magnificent drawings. What was more impressive was the number of awards the students received in the cooking section. Congratulations to: Zu- laikha Nowrozy (1st); Tiba Hazim and Amelia Twomey (2nd); Sarah Hayes and Lena-May Smith (3rd); William Thorley, Asher Peters, Jayson Carandang, Riley Barlow, Ayuen Pach and Nelissa Ramsay (Highly Commended). What a fantastic result! Well done to all the students involved.

SEP FUNDRAISER

Next term the SEP Parent support group are organising a number of fundraising activities to support the SEP students. Activities include a Car Wash, Bake Sale, Meal Deal, Multidraw Raffle etc. The first event is a Car Wash on the weekend of 3rd/4th May. If you are able to help out or wish to donate goods please contact Kirra Hayes on 0410 037 580 or the SEP on 4636 8335.

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SPORING CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Harry Shelton who has been selected in the Toowoomba Schoolboys Rugby League U/10 team. They will play against Ipswich on 18th May. Congratulations also go to Zain Carr who was selected in the Toowoomba Schoolboys Rugby League U/12 Team. Well done, Harry and Zain.

HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL - JUNIOR SECONDARY -
Defining Years 7-9 as a distinct phase of schooling Primary Principals have recently been updated with Harristown’s progress towards Year 7 students commencing Junior Secondary in 2015. Stay tuned for the numerous opportunities to visit the school in the remaining 3 terms. Meanwhile please visit the school website and learn about the various aspects of Years 7-9 at the school, and what will be offered next year and beyond. https://harristownshs.eq.edu.au – follow the links Curriculum>Junior Secondary>Related Links>Junior Secondary Information Any specific questions or concerns can also be directed to the following email address, which will enable a direct response from the Principal and/or HOD of Junior Secondary juniorsecondary@harristownshs.eq.edu

Toowoomba Basketball Association Holiday Basketball Clinic 7-9 April, 2014 9-3pm
This school holidays we are running a Get into Hoops* holiday clinic for beginning players aged 6-14 years old. Mountaineers Head Coach Farley will lead a team of Get into Hoops coaches at St Joseph’s College off Coronet St. Come down and play ball!

TEEN COACHING
Robert Williams ~ TCA-TCAQ-TQA-TA- ACC Advanced (Level 2) updated Monday (Prep only) Wednesday (lower grades) 11am - 11.30am Thursday (higher grades) 11am - 11.30am 6-8 pupils - 30mins - $60.00 per term (family discount) - minimum 8 week term. Term 2 commences Monday 28th April, 2014. For further information, Ph Robert on Mobile 0413488303 or Home 4635 5655.

TRUCKSHOP NEWS
The Friday Meal Deal is NOT available this Friday (last day of Term) Tuckshop is serving normal menu items ONLY.

STAR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Currency

Year 2 Stars of the Week
2D Joel Kavney
3B Star Students
Week 8 Shafaq Attiya
Week 9 Angel Hudson
Year 4/5 Student of the Week
4B Helen Jukudu
4R Alyssa McLeod
4Y Rukaiya Ferdowski
5S Ghasaq Al-Azzawi
5Pr Hamish Ward
5V Michelle Buuts
Merit Awards
4B Zac Black
4R Mena Alabdullah
4Y Jay Kisando
5S Cameron Hayes
5Pr Chloe Johnson
5V Andrew Byrnes
Star Awards
4B Brooke Ireland
4R Alkira Domian
4Y Linda Mai
5S Jeanne Shukurani
5Pr Ailin Vojdani
5V Ahmed Dhahir
SEP AWARDS
Stars
Nairee Bloxsom, Kiza Mwibusa
Merit Awards
Lena-May Smith, Nelissa Ramsay, Lukuach Pach, Joshua Roberts