Hello to Parents, Carers and Friends

With 21 days of school left for 2013, can I please remind you that it is really important that children continue coming to school right up to the last day on 13 December. Teachers will be teaching right up to the end of term and at the moment are busy with assessments so if children are not here to complete these assessments then their report card may not reflect what they really can do.

I also need to ask all of you to discuss the need for safety when your children are walking / riding to and from school. Unfortunately in the past 2 weeks I have had a number of concerns from other parents and community members of having to avoid children who are walking / riding in the middle of the road. If there is a car travelling on these streets at a high speed they will soon become a victim of a terrible accident.

14th November 2013

P & C Meeting:
The next P & C meeting will be on Tuesday November 19th at 3pm. It would be great to see some more new faces. So come along and join us.

End of term Dates:
Some really important dates for the rest of term include:
- Inter-house swimming carnival on Thursday 28 November for children in years 3 to 7.
- End of year concert on Wednesday 11 December which will include our end of year raffle.
- Last P & C meeting for 2013 --- Tuesday 19 November
- Last day of school is Friday 13 December

Year 7 Students:
A reminder to parents of children who are in year 7 this year, please ensure that you enrol your children before the end of the term. Those who are attending Town High next year have the opportunity to attend a transition day on Tuesday 26 November but they do need to be enrolled prior to that day. This allows the school to place them into their sporting house for 2014 and that is how they will be grouped on this transition day.

Leadership Day:
On Tuesday 26 November all of our Year 5 and 6 students will be participating in a leadership day where they will learn about being a role model, how to lead by example and to have personal values. Notes will be going home about this towards the end of next week.

Free Birth Certificate Afternoon:
If you need a birth certificate to enrol a child in 2014 then you have an opportunity to get a Free one. On Wednesday 27 November from 1:45 to 2:45 if you come to the school and bring ID evidence worth 100 points and fill out a form your information will be processed and you will be sent a birth certificate. The forms are available at the office so come along and collect a form and bring it with you on this date and at this time. This is a once only opportunity.

Behaviour:
Children who are doing the wrong thing at school have to spend some time in the Quiet room and are required to write a letter home explaining what they have done wrong. If one of these letters is given to you, can you please ensure that you read and sign it. Until this letter is returned children are not able to go back to playing and will spend extra days in the quiet room.

School Book Packs for 2014:
DO you hate that job of having to go shopping for books and equipment at the beginning of every year. Well this year we are offering the opportunity for parents to purchase their books etc by paying the school $30 and we do the buying and on Day 1 of next year you will get your book pack. This offer can be paid for before the end of the year but it will still be offered in the New Year.

End of term Reports:
All report cards will be sent home on Thursday 12 December. If children are going on holidays earlier than this date then please inform the school so we can arrange for your child/children's report card to be printed at an earlier date.
## Class Weekly Attendance—Term 3

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### Smart and Strong Awards

### Gotcha Winners

### UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES:
If your child is away from school please send a letter, phone the school or speak to a staff member.

**SMART KIDS** come to school everyday!!!!!!!

### Term 4 - 2013

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- December 12: Report Cards Home
- December 13: Last Day of Term

**Happy Birthday!**
Garbutt State School Uniforms are now available at Lowes in Castle Town. The polo shirt retails from $31.99 and is available in sizes 4 - XXL. The store also has a good range of shorts, shirts, pleated skirts and bucket hats. LAYBY is AVAILABLE.

Early Learning Program

What: Garbutt Play's Cool
When: Every Thursday during school terms
Where: Garbutt State School - 58-76 Chandler Street in the demountable on Loneraganne Street
Time: 9am - 11am

Garbutt Play's Cool is brought to you by:
Good Beginnings Australia
Communities for Children Townsville West

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The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services & Indigenous Affairs

At Garbutt Prep We Offer:
$30 Book Levy and all books will be provided
Swimming Classes in Term 4
Cultural Arts/Music Lessons
Weekly P.E. Lessons
Daily Breakfast Program
After School Homework Program
Open Door Policy - Parents Welcome
Full Time Teacher Aids

Enrolment Forms can be collected from the office

2014 Book Levy
$30

This fee will include all items your child will need for school on Day 1

 Packs will also be available in 2014

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$30

Children are ready for school on Day 1

Lowes book list shopping
More for less money

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Quality items

Garbutt State School
Enrol now for Prep 2014

76 Chandler Street Garbutt 4814
Phone: 47594888
**Poem Writing by Year 3A**

**The Farm**
I can see cows eating their food
I can hear cheeping chickens
cheeping around the barn
I can feel a small soft sheep
laying on the ground

**Jumping Jellyfish**
I can see jumping jellyfish by the sea
I can hear annoying people chatting by
the trees
I can feel leaves touching me by my
foot

**At The Beach**
I can see the splashing waves and the slimy
seaweed and the bouncing ball
I can hear the waves crashing on the shore
and the kids playing in the water and on
the beach.
I can feel the water splashing and soft
sand and tall trees blowing in the wind

**At The City**
I can see the New York City
There is the Statue of Liberty
I can hear glass smashing and cars crashing
I can feel hard rocky bricks if they fall
they'll be hard to fix
I can smell the delicious food and it gives me
a good mood
I can taste the bad air pollution and there's
people not picking a good solution