Principal’s Report

Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to thank everyone for their work in making sure that children are dressed in their uniform, have sandals on their feet, a bucket hat on their head and representing our school positively by being part of the **Green and Gold Team**. We have improved in our uniform dress standards, but I know we can do even better. Students need to wear green shorts to school (matched to the green colour of our shirt).

I have spoken to many parents/carers at our school and we all want what is best for our kids and our school reputation. Students represent themselves, their family and their school each and every day. I am proud to say that the vast majority of students represent us to a very high standard. They come to school, they are here to learn and they are here to play by the rules and follow the rules in the playground and in their classrooms. Very clearly, if students are unable to meet the rules in our Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students then there are consequences for their behaviour.

Please respect that I will not discuss another person’s child with anyone apart from the parent/carer of that student. I also ask that you respect our school rules and avoid rousing on students and becoming involved in student’s conflicts. This is not acceptable. Staff are employed to assist when behaviour incidents occur. I am available by appointment to discuss behavioural concerns once you have spoken with your child’s class teacher.

My staff and I are committed to provide quality educational programs that meet the Australian and Queensland Curriculum guidelines. From unit 4 onwards we are delivering curriculum using an Explicit Instruction Model. I have employed Miss Amanda Lester for the next 5 weeks as Head of Curriculum. I welcome Miss Lester and look forward to working with her to design our Pedagogical Framework and concentrate on our delivery of explicit teaching.

The importance of EVERY DAY COUNTS for our students cannot be emphasised enough – Teachers are always teaching new concepts and skills along with some very interesting content. There is always a structured playground activity that is fun and exciting on offer. Students need to be at school to feel part of our school. Every day a student is away from school without reasonable explanation is also recorded on their report card. Please make sure that you contact the office to explain absences. I thank you for making sure your child is being successful by attending school and doing their job of being a learner.

Today we had the pleasure of welcoming Lyndsey Gorris from 5 Star Fitness Townsville to our school. Miss Lyndsey worked with three classes from our school who have the highest attendance percentage. I will select classes for her visits based on student attendance and behaviour at our school. Miss Lyndsey is kindly donating her time and expertise to our school. The kid fit classes are designed to engage children of all ages, promote physical activity in a fun, upbeat and circuit style way. Thank you Miss Lyndsey - we can't wait to have you back!

Thanks everyone!

Kind regards
Helen McCullough

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**Grade 6 and 7 High School Information Nights**

High School information nights and transition days are approaching, so all grade 6 and 7s should be aware of the dates and have their permission slips returned.

**Townsville State High School**
- Transition Day—Tuesday 17th June
- Information Night—J Block Auditorium 26th August

**Kirwan State High School**
- Information nights—Held at the Performing Arts Block commencing at 7 pm
  - Year 7 into 8 Monday 21st July 2014
  - Year 6 into 7 Tuesday 22nd July 2014

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**Sports**

Garbutt NRL team lost to Belgian Gardens last week.

Our players of the week are Abdi (Best tackle), Moe (Running) and Sherwin (Best tackle).

As a part of the Health Visits Program a Family Fun and Health Funday is being held at School on the 20th June, Starting at 11am.

**Congratulations** to Di Ryan for winning the Mothers Day raffle!
Peter Carnavas visit to Garbutt State School Prep Class

Last Tuesday was a very motivating day for our Prep class! The extremely talented Peter Carnavas, illustrator and author, visited Garbutt State School and inspired our students about writing and illustrating stories. Shan Boller, from City Libraries Townsville, brought him to visit as part of the Preps at the Library program, which is sponsored, by Darren and Tracy McKenna. Our Prep class participated in an exciting workshop about writing and illustrating with Peter. In his engaging session, he told us the five secrets of books and explained what an illustrator’s job is like (a lot of drawing!). He showed us how easy it is to get ideas for writing and we learned that we all have great ideas.

Some of our students did not think that they could draw but Peter explained that if you could draw a line a circle and a dot, you could draw anything and then taught us how to draw bears, whales, and anglerfish.

P & C Meeting:

Our next P & C meeting is June 17 at 3:00pm. We hope to see some more new faces. It is great to have parental input to our school routine and events.

CLASS WEEKLY ATTENDANCE—Term 2

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Smart and Strong Awards

16th May
Huratio Moulder
Daniel Mendes
Emily Connel
Cornelius Wyles
Nazareth Alfred
Jack Tillman
Troy Lloyd-Jones
Sharna Collins
Muhjahid Naize Isse
Alfred Rattler
Ayla Adams
Indi Tillman
Jack Lindsay
Michael Power
Colin Stafford
Tito Illin
Liquarn Doolan
Sherwin Conway
Entire Class 6/7

Library Award
Prep
Year 1

Reading Awards
Moka Alfred
Kyle Miller
Tia Gizar
Brodie Connell
Ashton Bailey
Jais Accoom
Laurie Bell
Kurt Blake
Tamia Cassady
Lamahl Chookie
Dyjana Dalco

23rd May
Huratio Moulder
Tresean Snyder
Nazareth Alfred
Kyliyah Welsh
Jade Gage
Kyle Miller
Tristan Camp-Wells
Krystel Welsh
Yamini Illin-Soloman
Zac Tillman
Jahntee Mara
Raquarn Johnson
Nakiyah Bensley
Abdi Ahmed Osman
Jayden Beer
Brianna Leathers

Principal Awards
Colin Stafford
Ashton Bailey

Gotcha Winners

16th May
Lori Close
Trinity Fleming
Phoenix Toby-Mann
Liquarn Doolan
Colin Stafford

23rd May
Nazareth Alfred
Tobias Kennedy
Nekita Savage
Moka Alfred
Kyle Miller
Preston Mosby
Quentin Fleming

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!!!!!!!