PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Hello everyone

ANZAC Parade
Thank you to all staff, parents and students who attended and marched in the ANZAC parade in Murgon. We received many compliments on our students’ participation and attendance. We had the highest attendance per capita at the parade. Well done Cloyna!!

Year 3/5/7 NAPLAN
Year 3, 5 and 7 students will be involved in the annual NAPLAN assessment process this term on Tuesday 13 May, Wednesday 14 May and Thursday 15 May. For those students participating, attendance at school on each of the three days is very important. Regardless of the many and varied personal views held about NAPLAN, the reality is that these assessments have grown in significance in recent years.

EQ Director General’s Forum
The Director General Dr. Jim Watterston, our Deputy Director General Patrea Walton, Gabrielle Sinclair and Jeff Hunt spoke to all principals throughout the state in recent weeks. They outlined to us all the exciting new direction Education Queensland is taking and gave us a clear understanding of the wonderful opportunities and challenges ahead. They launched the new operating model for schools which marks the next stage of the state’s renewal strategy. It has been developed following extensive consultation with senior staff. The new model clarifies rolls and responsibilities across the department and will put accountabilities and resources in place to support our key priorities.

Mother’s Day
I would like to wish all mothers a happy Mother’s day this Sunday. We will be holding a Mother’s Day stall at school on Friday. Please send along some money for your child to purchase a present.

Have a great week
Heather Castle
**ANZAC DAY**

Thank you students and staff for your participation in the ANZAC Day march—the combined school’s choir was great.

Congratulations to all our students who entered colouring-in, especially to these place-getters:-

**Cross Country / Ball Games**

Congratulations to all our students—you all performed very well. For the Cross Country, our school took out the Aggregate Trophy and we had some Age Champions.
- Boys born 2009—Riley Eagleson, Girls born 2007—Bella Borninkhof, Boys born 2004—Jack Blanch, Girls born 2003—Georgina Blanch. Georgina and Jack went on to compete in the South Burnett trials this week—Georgina came 3rd and Jack came 3rd and both have been selected to go to Wide Bay Zone—congratulations. In the Ball Games our school came second overall. Well done students. Thank you to the P & C for the food they supplied throughout the day and special thanks to the parents for the baking. Thank you staff also for all your hard work—it was a great day.

**Book Fair—Theme is Egyptian Reading Oasis**

**Monday May 19—Friday May 13**

Dress-up Day Wednesday May 21. Come dressed as an Egyptian character or a Villain. Prizes for the ‘Best Dressed’. Books available to purchase each day from 8.30am to 3.30pm.
Happy Birthday—May Birthdays
Lochlan—5th
Michael—9th
Bella—10th
Elijah—25th

Award Winners
Congratulations to our Students
Jayme, Michael, Joe, Travis, Tom, Will, Lili, Jack W, Madison, Hayden, Zac, Bella, Riley, Lochlan
Well done, students!!!

School Banking—Commonwealth Bank
Please find enclosed information about ‘Sunken Treasure. Don’t forget that our banking day is Fridays. To those of you who bank regularly there is a chance for you to win a bag of goodies –this will be drawn every 3 weeks.
CHAPPY'S CORNER

A Case of remembering

As a chaplain I have just come through a couple of weeks that involved remembering. As padre at the dawn parade in Wondai, I began a day that involved a fair bit of remembering. By the time I finished the day I had been at four commemoration services involving the communities. On a personal note my dad enlisted in World War II and whilst not posted overseas, he served as a training sergeant in the army. I remember him showing me where he took his first salute as a sergeant. Dad was drafted for overseas service but the war ended before he was sent abroad. My younger brother served in Vietnam and my brother-in-law served in the Pacific. The community and I were involved in a lot of remembering.

Just before that we went through the Easter celebrations. For Christian people this involved memories that are central to their faith and their personal lives. For our family that had involvement on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. Again a lot of remembering.

Our school life involves a lot of remembering. Teacher remembers what they learnt and also how they can teach the information and knowledge they wish to impart to students. Hopefully students remember what they are taught and can reproduce this in essays and exams! Even operating a computer or playing computer games involves remembering.

Happy remembering.

Cheers Chappy.