A message from the principal
Ms Sheree Quinlivan

We’ve arrived at the busy end of Term 3! The school community is preparing for four massive weeks filled with school camp, gala days and spelling bees. Mr Tomasone and I are finding it difficult to see how we’re going to fit any teaching in!

Busy times like this are made so much easier with the cooperation of parents and carers. Simple tasks such as returning notes by the due date really do make a big difference to the mammoth organisational tasks that are constantly running in the background. It also prevents stress for students who worry about whether or not their notes have been returned. It is very unfair when events have to be reorganised or cancelled for those who have returned their notes, because others have neglected theirs. Please remain vigilant with school communication so that our students can be confident that they will not miss the great opportunities on offer.

I hope Mr Tomasone and our four campers have a wonderful time at the Great Aussie Bush Camp next week with our friends from Hannam Vale PS. Remember to have a go at everything – even if it’s a bit frightening. You’ll come away feeling so proud of yourself for pushing through your fears.

Thank you
Sheree Quinlivan

Coming Events

Week 7 – Book Week

| Monday 24 August | Aussie Bush Camp: Yr 3-5 |
| Tuesday 25 August | Aussie Bush Camp: Yr 3-5 |
| Wednesday 26 August | Aussie Bush Camp: Yr 3-5 |
| Friday 28 August | Moorland Soccer Club Schools Gala Day |

Week 8

| Monday 31 August | Jack Newton Junior Golf Schools Championship |
| Tuesday 1 September | P&C Meeting 9.00am |
| Thursday 3 September | Miss Craig – Information Expo Coffs Harbour |
| Friday 4 September | Miss Craig – Information Expo Coffs Harbour |
| | School Assembly 2.30pm |

Week 9

| Friday 11 September | Book Parade |
| | Thank You Lunch for School Volunteers |

Week 10

| Wednesday 16 September | Premier’s Spelling Bee Regional Finals |
| Friday 18 September | Final day of Term 3 |

Holidays!
Aussie Bush Camp

Only three more sleeps until we’re off to the Great Aussie Bush Camp! Students and families should spend some time this weekend ensuring that everything on the gear checklist is labelled with children’s names and packed ready for Monday.

We will be departing from school at 9.00am for a 10.45am arrival at Bush Camp. A huge thank you to Tabatha for offering to transport our four campers down to Tea Gardens. I will be transporting all luggage in my vehicle. Another huge thank you to Beth who has offered to bring students back from camp on Wednesday. Students are expected to arrive back in Johns River at approximately 2.45pm.

Remember to get plenty of rest this weekend campers, because we have three very big days ahead of us!

Thank you
Mr Tomasone

Moorland Soccer Gala Day

The Claude Unicomb Annual Memorial Trophy Schools Soccer Gala Day will commence at 9.30am next Friday 28 August. Students are asked to arrive at Claude Unicomb Reserve in Moorland at 9.00am so that teams can be arranged and ready to play.

Those who have sent in lunch orders are reminded to bring payment on Friday if they have not already done so. All lunch orders must be paid for by 9.00am on the day.

We still have some outstanding $3.00 participation fees. Parents and carers are asked to ensure that this is paid to the school by next Monday.

Although we have outstanding permission notes from some families, it looks as though we will still be able to scrape together enough players to send our two teams. Those who have returned permission notes will be fitted with sport jerseys, shin pads and socks next week.

Parents of participating students are advised that the day is scheduled to conclude at approximately 2.30pm. If you are not planning to stay for the day, we ask that you return to the soccer fields by 2.30pm to collect your children.

P&C News

Margaret will be making a school favourite in the canteen next Tuesday – get ready for Taco Tuesday! Hard and soft shell tacos will be available for $2.50 each.

Our September general meeting will be held on Tuesday 1 September at 9.00am. Agenda items include the Fathers’ Day fundraising stall and organisation of a possible school working bee. We will also be filling the vacant Treasurer position for anyone interested in getting involved. I hope to see you all there.

Thank you
Trevor Clunes
President
Johns River Public School P&C Association
Premier’s Spelling Bee

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Premier’s Spelling Bee at school yesterday. School staff and a huge line-up of spectators were very impressed by the performance of all students.

Congratulations to Jai and Shelby for emerging as our two top spellers from K,1,2.

Congratulations also to Liam, Makybi and Caleb, who will travel to Old Bar Public School at the end of the term to represent the school at the Regional Finals! We all wish them the best of luck.

Professional Learning

A number of professional Learning activities are scheduled for staff over the coming weeks.

Ms Quinlivan will be attending a Hastings Principals Network meeting next Thursday to explore progress in school and milestone planning.

Mr Tomasone will be participating in a video conference after school in Week 8 to support his ongoing Count Me In Too training.

Miss Craig also has a number of professional learning activities coming up. She will be away at Coffs Harbour on Thursday and Friday of Week 8 attending the 2015 Information Expo for School Administrative and Support Staff. She will be participating in a number of workshops over these two days, including an introduction to the new library system ‘Oliver’, new financial reporting procedures, updates to student enrolment procedures and the latest news on the Local Schools Local Decisions initiative. Miss Craig will also be travelling to Great Lakes College in Week 9 to attend a School Administrative Manager Collegial Learning Network meeting to undertake mandatory training as well as explore updates to school Attendance, Enrolment, Work Health and Safety and Volunteer Policies.

Busy times ahead for all staff!

Book Week Celebrations

As you would have read in the P&C August meeting minutes, we have postponed Book Week celebrations due to a number of commitments next week. We will be hosting a book stall and parade on Friday 11 September (Week 9) as well as thanking our kind volunteers with a special lunch put on by our super P&C Association. Further information will be sent home as the date approaches, but you can be sure it will be a great day – one not to be missed!
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From the Classroom

Look at our work on Fractions, Decimals and Symmetry

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THEMES, DREAMS AND RHAPSODIES

Sunday 30 August 2pm
Adults $10 / Children $5 (includes afternoon tea)

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