A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEPUTY PRINCIPAL:
Last Friday was Parents & Citizens Day and we celebrated with morning tea and the announcement of a $65,000 grant for a new junior playground for our school, successfully applied for by Kim Lee from our P&C. We celebrated the day and acknowledged the efforts of many parents and citizens that help contribute to a great team. We thank them for the support they bring to the school and our students.

As teachers begin to prepare Semester 1 report cards, I thought we could share some of the benchmarks that guide our teachers and how you might be able to keep track of your child's progress.

Reading - Each student has a rainbow reader for homework and we aim for students to know their reading target and rainbow level. The rainbow reader colours have a correlating 'reading age'. Teachers monitor students' reading ages with our reading assessment tools. The reading age is dependent on how well students decode and read with fluency, but also how well they comprehend the texts they read when challenged. We are in the process of revising our year level targets towards the 2014 Central Qld Education region's recommended benchmarks. Generally we aim for students to have a reading age similar to or above their chronological age, but ongoing 'improvement' is always more important.

The order of colours is as follows- Red (5-5y4m), Yellow (5y5m -5y6m), Pink (5y7m - 5y8m), Green (5y9m-5y10m), Purple (5y11m-6y), Orange (6y1m-6y4m), Blue (6y6m-7y), Grey (7y-7y6m), Brown (7y6m-8y), Black (8y - 10y). If students have a reading age greater than 10 years, they begin to read rainbow readers from our library collection. These books do have a rainbow colour sticker, but are not levelled to reading age. These students, as with all students, need ongoing encouragement to read more, and more often, which is the basis of our Library collection and homework strategy.

Behaviour - Teachers use our daily Zone chart and progress in the Personal Achievement Awards to rate behaviour. If a student is behaving satisfactorily, they will have their Silver award by the end of the semester.

Sarah

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GENERAL NOTICES:

• **School photos** are being held on Tuesday 24th June and payment must be made via the photo envelope provided either before photo day to the school office or on the day to the photographer. Each child must return his/her own envelope, even if payment is made in the eldest child’s envelope. Envelopes are not to be placed inside other envelopes. The school is only a collection agency for the envelopes and payment. Therefore, we are unable to assist with providing change or taking payment details. Advancedlife Photography have an automated system for payments by credit card. You can go online to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) for easy to understand payment instructions. You will receive a receipt number which must be written on the order envelope in the space provided. You can also make payments by cash, cheque or money order in the envelope provided. Sibling photos are also available for students at the school. Please collect a “family order envelope” from the school office and return it to the office before photo day.

• **Parent Aide Reading Team (PART)** - We are still very keen for parents anytime to drop into our junior classes (Prep – Year 3/4S) and take a few minutes to read to a student. We have boxes of books ready to go in each class, and a class list so we can keep track of which students have had the opportunity each week to hear someone read to them. Just say hello to the teacher and let them know you are there to read to students. Thank you to those who have been, and continue to drop in to our classes for PART. If you are at all uncertain and keen to know a bit more, please see Billie Stevens or Sarah McDonagh.

• **Book Fair 2014** is on all this week in our school library from 8:15 am - 9:15am, 11:15am - 11:45am, and 3:00pm - 3:30pm each day. Tomorrow (Wednesday) is a Free Dress Day for Bookfair. Students who participate in the free dress day need to bring in a gold coin donation. All free dress outfits must still be sun safe.

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL CHAPLAIN:**

The FRIENDS Program aims to build self-worth, confidence & friendships in a young person’s life. Last term 20 Year 5 students graduated through the Friends Program. Here are twelve essential skills that children have identified as being important for making and keeping friends:

- Ability to share possessions and space
- Keeping confidences and secrets
- Offering to help
- Accepting other’s mistakes
- Being positive and enthusiastic
- Starting a conversation
- Winning and losing well
- Listening to others
- Starting and maintaining a conversation
- Ignoring someone who is annoying you
- Cooperating with others
- Giving and receiving compliments

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*“A real friend is someone who walks in when everyone else walks out”*  
*Cherril*

**VACANCY FOR PERMANENT PART-TIME CLEANER AT EMU PARK STATE SCHOOL**

Emu Park State School has a permanent part-time Cleaner’s position available for 14.75 hours per week. The successful applicant will be required to work either early mornings and/or afternoons. A copy of the Role Description is available from the School Office. Anyone interested in applying for this position will need to address the following criteria as part of their Resume.

1. **Supports strategic direction**
   - Ability to understand the work environment by, learning quickly to use and maintain, cleaning equipment, materials and chemical supplies.

2. **Achieves results**
   - Capability to apply Workplace Health and Safety standards, especially in the use and application of cleaning equipment and materials.

3. **Supports productive working relationships**
   - Ability to carry out cleaning duties with limited supervision and cooperatively participate as a team member when required.

4. **Displays personal drive and integrity**
   - Awareness of the need for security in relation to rooms and buildings, personal property and equipment.

5. **Communicates with influence**
   - Demonstrated interpersonal and communication skills including the ability to work with all members of the school community both individually and as a member of a team.

*Applications close Tuesday, 3 June 2014*
A MESSAGE FROM OUR TUCKSHOP CONVENOR:
Hi everyone
This week's super special is Mini Calippo iceblocks 50 cents each.
Just a reminder we are now selling hot milo for 50c ents and cups of soup for $1.00
Thanks again to all the wonderful volunteers that help out in tuckshop each and every week.
Heidi

Wednesday 28 May & Wednesday 4 June Stacey Kenealy
Thursday 29 May Di Ellis and Natalie Bugler
Monday 2 June Andrew Petty
Tuesday 3 June Ange Woodham and Maree Stacpoole
Thursday 5 June Lyn Drake & Lee Ibbertson

HOT DOG, CHICKEN NUGGETS, PIZZA & SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTER (ALL $2-50 per serve):
Friday 30 May (Sausage Sizzle) Bev Gully and Maree Stacpoole
Friday 6 June (Hotdogs) Marica Curtis and Maree Stacpoole

COMMUNITY NOTICES:
Emu Park C&K Kindergarten has a new Director. To find out more about your local Kindy or to enrol your child please phone Miss Donna on 07-49396622.
2014 Yeppoon Ride or Walkathon: Sat 31 May at 7.30am at Yeppoon Surf Life Saver Clubhouse, Entry $10 to support Cap Coast Schools Chaplaincy. Sponsorship Forms from Coffee Club Yeppoon Central or your chaplain. Beaks’s Tennis is offering coaching at Emu Park State School. Tennis Coaching is available Thursday mornings at 7:30am till 8:30am. For more information please contact Ashton Beak. Ph. 49361021 or 0419 881 575.
Authentic Taekwon-Do with Jim Fletcher (6th Dan): Held at Emu Park State School Hall. Wednesdays: Peewees (4 1/2 to 6 years), 4.30-5pm, Beginners, 5-6pm, Seniors, 5-6.30pm. Sunday: Seniors and Beginners together, 1.30-3pm. Further information phone Jim Fletcher on 0427608805.
Car Boot Sale - Book Your Site Now: Saturday 14th June 7am - 12 noon. Anglican Parish of Keppel Housden Place Car Park. Only $10 a site. Bric a brac, loads of treasures and a sausage sizzle - Something for everyone. Come and grab a bargain from the great variety of stalls. To book your site please phone Lyndall on 0418 392 303.

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