SCHOOL YEAR-END APPROACHES
I hope your last few weeks are trouble free as you await the final student reports for 2013. As we plan for next year, we look back at some of our students’ academic achievements. Our school is no different to other schools in looking for opportunities to extend our high achieving students. This year we investigated how we could promote critical thinking in group work through our North Burnett Brain Bash Program. This was successful and in 2014 we plan to further promote other internal and external opportunities to extend our students. Attached is a letter from our Regional Director, Mr Wayne Butler providing information about a program called UniFY that could offer extension opportunities for our talented students.
- Peter Townsend

PRIMARY SWIMMING CARNIVAL
The primary swimming lesson program will be completed on 6th December. There will be a primary non-competitive swimming carnival on 9th. Please contact Lisa Whelan to offer assistance. Spectators welcome.

MENTAL HEALTH FUNDRAISER
Thanks to all who supported last Friday’s event that raised $199 for Mental Health services.

TUCKSHOP CHANGE
Tuckshop will be held on Wednesday, not Thursday next week due to the very busy preparations for Carols Night on Thursday 5th. Wednesday’s will be the last tuckshop day for 2013. Many thanks to all who have supported tuckshop, particularly the volunteers.

HOT DOG DAY
Hot dogs will be available for lunch on Tuesday 10th December. Milk and juice drinks will also be available. Please order by 8.30 on 9 December, using the attached form.
CONGRATULATIONS TO AWARD RECIPIENTS
Well done to Elf Reading Program, Wide Bay Primary Sports, Secondary Sports and Students of the Week award recipients.

BREAKFAST CLUB
Monday and Tuesday next week will be the last breakfast club days for this year. There will be no breakfast club next Wednesday due to tuckshop operation and no breakfast club during the last week of school. Many thanks to those who have helped with breakfast club.

BOOK FAIR
Book fair in the school library ends at 1.15 tomorrow. There is still a short time to buy your bargain. There is a great buy one, get one free offer.
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
Gig Guide: 5th December Christmas Carols
Students in the band must return their band shirts as soon as possible to Mrs McGovern or the office.
Attendance notes for Carols Night should also be returned to the school office.

GAYNDAH UNIFORMS AVAILABLE TO TRY
Uniforms are available at our school office to try for size by students who plan to attend Burnett State College next year.

RE-HOMED PRIMARY SCHOOL SHIRT
A size 12 primary school shirt was taken by mistake from the pool after a club event. Could you please check your children’s shirts to see if one has someone else’s name on the tag.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL
Active After School program will be as usual on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd December. Thursday’s AASC day will be their break-up celebration in the secondary under-cover area (at usual time of 2.35 to 3.35). Please advise the school of your child’s intention to take part in the break-up festivities. Organisers need to know participation numbers.

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P & C MEETING
The final P & C meeting for the year will be held on Wednesday 11 December, commencing at 6.30pm. All welcome.
**Year 7,8,9 End of Semester II Exam Session**  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013

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Quite a few Year 9 students on Wednesday will have only 1 exam. They should have study materials to work from (eg Maths)

**STUDENT COUNCIL PHILIPPINES APPEAL**

After the devastating typhoon that hit the Philippines recently, the student council is appealing to you to help us help those battling with the difficult recovery process. Your kind donation of new or used clothing for those in need would be very welcome. A local group has the appropriate contacts to ensure the donations reach their destination.

Please note the following essential requirements:
- Cotton type clothing only (due to the climate)
- No underwear

Please leave donations at the school office for collection.

Your generous support will be greatly appreciated.

*Kind Regards*

- Brittany (Student Council Chairman)

Thanks.
**PROPERTY MANAGER**

* Duties involve property inspections, tenant & landlord liaison, administration
* Exceptional people skills are a must
* High level attention to detail
* Proficient general computer skills
* Experience preferred but not essential
* Initially part time position
* Other duties may be available to applicants looking for full-time

Contact [Janelle Duffin](mailto:jduffin@raywhite.com)
4165 4005
E. jduffin@raywhite.com

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**HELP WANTED**

Donations for the P & C multi-draw Christmas raffle to be drawn on Carols Night may be left at the school office or Schmidt Motors.
BBQ and canteen help needed for Carols Night 5 December. Please let us know.
Help needed with the memorabilia stall at Kindy Christmas in the Park. Let us know.
School 4165 5333; Ros (work) 4165 4613
Please complete the attached volunteer roster forms or ring Ros 4165 4613

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**VOLUNTEER ROSTERS**

Please insert your name and phone number in time slot to indicate your availability and return the form to school asap. You may be contacted if double-booking occurs.

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MUNDUBBERA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

♦ Writers’ Group at MCDA 1st Thursday each month at 2pm, all interested welcome
♦ Garden Group at MCDA 2nd Thursday of each month at 9.00am, all interested welcome
♦ Diabetes Support Group at MCDA 1st Wednesday of each month 10.30am, all interested welcome
♦ playgroup at town hall supper room 9.30 to 11.30 every Tuesday except Mobile Playgroup day.
♦ SANTA PHOTOS Tuesday 10th December 3pm to 5pm $5— BOOK NOW
♦ ALL ENQUIRIES 4165 4690

Mundubbera Community Development Association Inc, 69 Stuart-Russell Street Mundubbera
Is funded by Queensland Department of Communities

“Footsteps” books available from the school office or Schmidt Motors.
$45 each plus postage.
Centenary souvenir bags $10,
glasses $15, pens $5, steins $10,
mugs $10 and USB sticks $8
are also available.

WIDE BAY HOSPITAL & HEALTH SERVICE WANTS YOUR INPUT.
Strategic Plan Consultation Document and survey available
PLEASE HAVE YOUR SAY ON HOSPITAL SERVICES, NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.
Complete the survey

LIGHT UP MUNDUBBERA
Christmas light displays will be judged between 16 and 19 December
Winners announced 20th December
First prize $100 local voucher
Second Prize $75 local voucher
Third Prize $50 local voucher
Incentive prize of lights
Shop Display trophy
Thanks to North Burnett Regional Council sponsorship
Enquiries Loris 0429 654 012

SLAM Activities for years 1 to 7
at Baptist Church
Wednesdays 2.45pm start
3.45pm finish
Enquiries Contact Steven Crofts
0457 404 069

Mundubbera Junior Cricket
Training Wednesdays 5pm to 6.30pm
Martin Love Oval
Enquiries Julie on 4165 3130

Mainly Music
Thursdays 9.30
CWA Hall
Enquiries Marissa 4165 4594

Student Banking will be processed on Mondays. The student banking program is currently offering chances to win iPod touch or DVD packs to students who bank two or more transactions before 30 November. www.commbank.com.au/youthsaver
DATES TO REMEMBER

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CHRISTMAS LETTERHEADS

IN STORE NOW

-A wide range of Christmassy letterheads to suit everyone!

HURRY, YOU DON’T WANT TO MISS OUT!

GREAT GIFTS ART SALE

Framed and unframed works, cards and prints by multi award winning local artist Sue Lederhose

All reduced by up to 50%

Starts Saturday 23rd November

Concludes on Saturday 21st December

View at 20 Mahoney Street, Mundubbera

Phone 4165 4346 lederhos@tpg.com.au

MUNDUBBERA IGA

Phone 4165 4180

Monday – Friday: 7am – 7pm.  Saturday & Sunday: 7am – 4pm

Burnett Mapping

Business Centre

58 Lyons St, Mundubbera

Ph: 4165 4468  Fax: 4165 4614

Kids Help line 1800 551 800

Newsletter Advertising Rates

Small advertisement $5 to $9
Quarter page advert $10
Third page advert $15
Half page advert $20
Full page advert $25
Attachments by arrangement.
Approved Community notices – no charge
Please place advertisements by Wednesdays
Due to the overwhelming uptake from 434 participating students in 2013, Central Queensland Region has committed more funding in 2014 to deliver four UniFY projects. Like-minded, high achieving and talented students from across the region will once again have the opportunity to connect in new on-line, higher order thinking challenges via the Brisbane School of Distance Education.

Over the course of the year, more than 700 nominated students with a strong interest or ability in project topics will work with specialist teachers on each of our CQ selected projects. One project will be offered each term, one lesson per week, with up to ten lessons in total per project. All projects include an on-line event with specialist University reps in each of the chosen project areas. To acknowledge their efforts, participants will have their involvement recorded on semester report cards.

2014 UniFY Projects:
Term 1 - Shape Up (Years 6, 7 & 8) – math investigative focus
Term 2 – Critical Thinking (Years 5-9)
Term 3 – Creative Writing (Years 5-9)
Term 4 - Scientific Literacy (Years 5-9)

Feedback from students, parents and teachers supports the value of UniFY projects:

Student from Longreach State High School - “I particularly like all the different activities that we do and all the different people we get to talk to. The teachers are really nice and make the lessons fun.”

Teacher from Kin Kora State School – “The students have been enthralled every lesson and stay for an extra 30 minutes each lesson to continue the projects. It has been so worthwhile for me to see the extra work that they are prepared to put in at home....they are just so involved.”

Parent from Eimeo Road State School - “This kind of extra-curricular or extension activity has been invaluable and I believe it has provided my son with deeper knowledge, skills, confidence and a keenness for school.”

Information regarding nominations for Project 1 will be received in schools shortly.

I commend this program to you as an excellent method for engaging and extending our talented students. Please contact your school to discuss this G&T program.

Regards
Wayne Butler
Regional Director
Central Queensland
Department of Education, Training and Employment