This interim newsletter is being distributed with urgent information. A further newsletter will be distributed on Thursday.

We look forward to a good school year. Please contact the school office if there are any matters you wish to discuss, following this rather uncomfortable start to the year.

SECONDARY ARTS COUNCIL COMING SOON

ChoreoFUNK will be performed for students in years 7 to 10 on Tuesday 12 February. Cost is $6 per student and this must be received by 11 February.

SECONDARY RESOURCE SCHEME

Information on the secondary resource scheme was distributed today. Please check immediately with your secondary school student if they have not given you this. It is essential that the agreement forms be signed and returned this week to enable student participation in the resource/book hire scheme. Please contact the school if you do not wish to join this resource scheme.

SECONDARY SPORTS DAY AT MONTO THIS FRIDAY

Notes have gone home today with information about the Secondary Summer Sports Trials to be held at Monto on Friday. The bus to these trials for representative volleyball, tennis and touch teams will leave at 7.30am and return at about 3.45. Please complete the permission form and return it with payment by Wednesday to allow planning for the event.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

This program for primary school students will commence next week and be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Afternoon tea will be provided from 2.30 with activities from 2.45 to 3.45. Parents / carers of those wishing to participate must complete a form available from the school office before being eligible to attend.
ABSENCES
Thanks to all those who have advised the school office of reasons for their child’s absence on school days since school recommenced on 30/1/13.
It is necessary for the school to receive official notification from parents/carers, either by phone or by note, at the time of any student absences. Your support with this would be greatly appreciated throughout the year.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS NEEDED
There are many requests for second-hand clothing and your assistance would be very welcome.
If you have second hand uniforms available for donation or sale, please forward them to the school office with your name and price attached. Those with no such note will be presumed to be donated.

HEALTH ISSUES
There are mosquitoes and sandflies in abundance at school and around town. We have repellent available in all classrooms and at the office. Please ensure any bites that may become infected are treated appropriately and kept clean if at all possible.

There have been several cases of vomiting and diarrhoea reported in town. This is of great concern and proper hygiene must be maintained to stop this illness spreading. Hand sanitiser is being used at school. Should any member of your family be unfortunate enough to contract this illness, please keep them isolated and drinking small amounts of fluid frequently. They should not return to school or mingle with others until symptoms have cleared for 48 hours.

AFTER-FLOOD ACCOMMODATION
Response to the current housing situation is ongoing.
Council has requested that the evacuation centre or QGAP be advised of any ongoing accommodation requirements if you were forced out of your home by flooding. They need to know how many people might be expected to need alternative accommodation. If you are staying with friends or relatives but expect to need other accommodation soon, please let council know.

CENTRAL BURNETT BRUMBIES
JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE SIGN-ON DAY
Will be holding a coaching clinic for under 6 to under 16 years old
Sunday 10 February from 9am to 11am.
Northern Broncos will be attending Free sausage sizzle
Everyone welcome.

JUNIOR CRICKET
Cancelled this Wednesday
Further information—will be advised next week
Come ‘n’ Try Day planned for 9th February has been cancelled.