Japanese

This term students are learning to introduce themselves and get to know others in Japanese.

Girls participated in Hinamatsuri on Tuesday March 3 where they folded origami, drank green tea, ate lunch and danced to celebrate Girls Day.

Thankyou Ladies for a great time,
Mrs Mitchell
PRIMARY NEWS

Prep
Ms Nettie
Our letter of the Week is C and we will be doing lots of activities to do with this letter. In Art, Prep has been very busy creating sparkly spider webs based on the story book Aaaarrgghh! Spider! The story is about a lonely spider who just wants to be a family pet. Unfortunately, every time the spider tries to impress her chosen family, she scares them instead, until the day she unwittingly enchants them (with sparkling spider webs!) Come and see the Prep's sparkling spider webs!

In C2C Maths, Prep have been involved in counting objects up to ten and we have looked at subitising some small numbers (subitising is the ability to look at a given number of objects and know how many there are without counting * * *).

As part of our C2C History lessons we have interviewed Mrs Williams and asked her questions about where she was born and what life was like when she was little. Mrs Williams told us lots of interesting things about her childhood and what sort of games she liked to play. Students are now going to think of two questions they can ask their mums about their childhood. The interview sheet will be part of their homework.

*Congratulations to Our Students of the Week: Dustin, Chance, Nicholas and Emma G.
All active learners. Well Done!

Year 4/5 News
Mrs Ramsay
Congratulations to last week’s Students of the Week:
Shakara Lachlan C Jakob

We are still working towards completing our Maths Assessment this week. The next maths strand we will be focussing on is Chance and Data. In art, we have been using line, shape, colour, space and balance to create patterns that represent our personality. Some students have nearly finished creating a caricature portrait using cartooning and design elements. They have done an amazing job!

We are challenging ourselves to receive 100% in our spelling evaluation this week. Some students are forgetting to do the LOOK-SAY-COVER-WRITE-CHECK method when writing out their spelling words for homework. Repeating this method makes a great difference when reciting their words at the end of the week.

Have a great week!

SECONDARY NEWS

Year 7 Home Economics
These students are covering topics such as safety and hygiene in the kitchen, following and using a recipe and completing a work plan. They are doing an amazing job at remembering their ingredients every second week. In week 8, they will be cooking Anzac biscuits. The only thing they need to remember is a container to take the biscuits home in. Ingredients will be supplied. At the end of the term, they will have a short theory test.

Year 8 Home Economics
This class are completing revision on safety and hygiene, along with measuring, what is food?, healthy eating pyramid and guide to healthy eating. They have produced some amazing pinwheels and quiches. Congratulations to the class for remembering their ingredients each fortnight! They will have a short theory test at the end of the term as well.

Year 9/10 Home Economics
These students are completing a “Cultural Cuisine” unit. We have studied Mexico so far, and have started Italy. They have cooked Enchiladas, and Hot Chilli Mexican Chocolate Chip biscuits. This week they will be cooking Carbonara. They received an ingredients list last week. Their assessment will be an assignment where they choose their own country to study.

Year 9/10 Economics/Business
This class are studying Financial Responsibilities, Risks and Rewards. They have completed a case study whereby they evaluated the lifestyle of “Kyle”, and developed a hypothesis, a reasoned argument and evidence based conclusion regarding everyday financial responsibilities.
Dear Parents

I was recently asked by a few parents how they could help their children be better students. Mari-Jane Williams is an Autism / education writer and she suggests the following top 10 tips for parents:

1. **Let your child see you make mistakes!**
   - You’re their first teacher and making mistakes teaches your child to deal with things!

2. **Use eMail to keep in touch**
   - Avoid phone tag – eMail is a great way to reach your child’s teacher

3. **Don’t tell your child that you weren’t good at maths**
   - Make maths relavent to daily tasks like cooking, shopping and your household budget

4. **Get organised with a colour-coded system and a checklist**
   - Colour-coded folders help children to identify their different subject materials

5. **Check their homework, and then have them explain it to you**
   - Make sure your children aren’t guessing their answers!!

6. **Don’t compare your child with others**
   - Every child is different …. Yours, mine and theirs!

7. **Help your child make connections to literature**
   - Books help children to problem-solve and they also develop imagination through characters and plot

8. **Middle school and high school (Junior Secondary) are not the time to take a more hands-off approach**
   - Just because your child is older doesn’t mean to put them on autopilot – stay in tune with their education!!

9. **Don’t do everything for your child**
   - Let your child think for themselves – even if it takes longer

10. **Ask about your child’s day!**
    - Give them lots of positive feedback and positive praise and listen to them talk to you!

Have a great week and I hope it helps

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**GREAT ATTENDANCE RESULTS**

- Year 10 3 days —100%
- Year 2 in Year 1/2—5 days 100%
- Year 3 in Year 2/3—4 days 100%
- Year 4 in Year 3/4—4 days 100%
- Year 4 in Year 4/5 —3 days 100%
- Year 5 in Year 4/5—3 days 100%
- 8 classes above 93%
- AVERAGE—94% = GREAT START

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**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL INDUCTION**

The 2015 Induction ceremony will be held on Thursday 26th March at 2.00pm.
Parents, family and community members are invited to attend and support our students as they accept their Leadership roles.
SPORTS NEWS

Mac Zone Basketball Trials

Best of luck to the following students who are participating in the Mac Zone Basketball trials at Goondiwindi tomorrow:
Sarah W    Jack R    Joe M    Chantel P    Addan P    Harry H    Amelia S    Tahnee G
Emma C    John L    Calvin K    Lesenta W

Congratulations to Sam S, Abby R, Chloe P and Natasha P who competed at the Mac Zone Tennis trials in Inglewood on Friday. All players played extremely well and enjoyed the day.

Congratulations to our Mac Zone primary swimmers who competed at Gatton last Tuesday. All students swam great times or PBs.

Congratulations to the following:

Jack T, Ben C, Holly C, Lily H, Halle B, Sam S and Grace R.

NRL star and Olympic shot putter at our school

Over the last few weeks our students have had visits from Joe Galuvao (NRL player) and Justin Anlezark (Olympic thrower). Joe Galuvao spoke to all students about the importance of WELLBEING. Justin Anlezark ran a Little Athletics program with the Preps to Year 6.
Warwick & District Trials 2015

The Warwick & District Junior Rugby League is calling for all players wishing to represent the Warwick & District Chargers in 2015. All players registered in the Warwick & District JRL in the 13’s, 14’s and 16’s age groups are eligible to register for the trial day.

WHEN: Sunday 15th March 2015
WHERE: Suburbs Hornets St Marks Fields, Warwick
TIME: 9:00am
WHO: Under 13’s, Under 14’s, Under 16’s
* Please bring all playing equipment and strapping needed, jerseys will be provided.

Register at your Junior League Club before Friday 13th March 2015. All registration & medical forms must be returned to be eligible to attend. Further Information please contact:

Dave Landers 0429848019
Jim Stevens 0402892835

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Texas P-10 State School P&C Association
Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Wednesday 11 March 2015 - 5.30 pm

P&C Associations
Parents performing a vital role in the education of their children!

Joining the P&C Association is a great way to keep informed, to contribute to the quality education of your children and to make new friends. Your contribution can be as large or small as you can manage, but your ongoing support of the P&C Association is invaluable.

Not only will you be supporting the school community but you will be supported by the school community. You can learn new skills, and gain a clear understanding of how the school operates. This is a great opportunity to share in the school’s decision-making process and shape the future.

“When parents are involved in their children’s education at home, they do better in school. And when parents are involved in school, children go farther in school and the schools they go to are better” (Henderson & Beria, 1994)

The positions of the P&C Association are:

President: Leadership role - The President is responsible for chairing the monthly meetings of the Association and acts as the liaison between the association and the school.

Vice-President: Supports the position of President, taking their place in their absence.

Treasurer: Financial Role - Responsible for the financial management of the association.

Secretary: Administrative role - Responsible for minutes of meetings, inwards and outwards correspondence, advertising, notices.

Tuckshop Convener/Catering: Responsible for organisation of teams roster, stock control, catering at school events.

Uniform Shop Convener: Responsible for ordering of stock and running of uniform shop

All parents and citizens are invited to attend. If you are interested in a position or becoming a member, please come along to the meeting. A 2015 membership application form is attached to this newsletter, please complete and sign both pages and return to the school prior to or bring with you to the AGM.
## 2015 Calendar

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### Please Remember....

If you are visiting the school or a Parent helper in the classroom, please don’t forget to sign in at the School Office on your arrival and departure. This is very important so we know who is on the school grounds in case of an emergency. Thank you.

### For all student absences please phone
Student Absence Line: 4653 3366

### LATE TO SCHOOL
Any students arriving at school between 9am and 9.30am must present at the Office before going to class.

### P&C NRL tipping comp 2015

Same deal as last year. $40 entry, $10 weekly prize for highest tipper.

- 1st $300
- 2nd $200
- 3rd $100

Application for P&C Membership for 2015
Texas P-10 State School P&C Association

Please complete and return to the P&C Secretary

Name:
Address:
Home phone:
Mobile phone:
Email address:

☐ a parent of a student attending the school
☐ a staff member of the school
☐ an adult interested in the school’s welfare, and my date of birth is: ____________.

I am:
☐ applying for new membership
☐ renewing my membership.

I apply for membership in the Texas P-10 State School Parents and Citizens’ Association and I undertake to:

a) promote the interests of and facilitate the development and further improvement of the School and the good order and management of the School; and
b) comply with the constitution of the P&C Association, including the P&C Association Code of Conduct as specified in Schedule 2 of the constitution, and any valid resolutions passed by the Association.

If a person has been convicted of an indictable offence, it is grounds for removal in accordance with the Education (General Provision) Act 2006.

Signature: .................................................................

Date: .............................................................................

P&C Secretary Use
Date received: ............................ Date accepted: ............................
Secretary’s signature: .......................................................... Entered in P&C Register: ☐