We have had a great deal of activities occurring at the school since the last newsletter.

Last week we had Jaide and her team from Brownsnake Technologies reinvigorating the garden area with some mulch and planting some more flowers and vegetables. There was also a variety of educational presentations including an environmental puppet show that the students were very involved with.

Following this on Friday we had the Gulf Kids Day run by Erica and her team from Northern Gulf Resource Management. This again was an excellent day with the students rotating through six activities that included endangered plants and animals, Gulf plains fossils, dinosaurs, Gouldian finches and a fossil hunt. Students were each given a replica of a dinosaur to take home and construct.

Thanks to the staff and P&C volunteers who contributed to the preparation and serving of the lunches.

Thanks also to the continued involvement of the schools including Georgetown, Gulf Christian, Mt Surprise, Forsayth, Normanton and Karumba.

This week we had a visit from Kim Whitta who spent a day developing some dances with the students in both classes based on the story of Blinky Bill. Thanks to all the parents that came into see the performance on Monday afternoon. The kids did a great job and they love seeing you in the school.

On Wednesday we had the Cowboys Rugby League Club come and visit us to run a workshop for the students. They also gave us all Cowboys’ hats and some balls.

The excitement didn’t stop there. On Thursday we had the mobile rock wall visit us. The students spent two hours in the morning climbing the wall and ringing the bell at the top. Jai made it to the top several times.

On Thursday we have the P&C meeting being held at 5.00 p.m. in the school library. Please make the time to come along and participate in the decision making process.

On Wednesday the Postie’s bike challenge is passing through Croydon. They will be staying at the rodeo grounds. The P&C will be catering for this event and will also be providing a bar for the riders commencing at 1.00 p.m. Locals are welcome to come and support the bar.

The year 3 - 6 students will be travelling to Karumba for the hockey and basketball carnival next week. This will be supervised by Mr Smith, Mrs Pickering, Chappie Joe and Mrs Stonehouse.

Also to keep up with events at school download the free Qschools app that is available for Windows, Apple and Android devices.

Regards

Daniel Smith
P & C Meeting
In the school library
Thursday
September 10th
5.00 p.m.
All welcome.

Congratulations to the student of the week from last week. Keegahn has made a great impression since returning to the school last week. He has shown great leadership by helping other students in the playground that he has seen get hurt. Well done and keep up the positive attitude.

Our school expectations - Absentees

All children should attend school every school day

When students are absent
Ring the school on 47456197 before 9.00 a.m. with a reasonable explanation or provide a signed note.
If the student absence is to be for some time collect some work from school.
Students are required to be at school by 8.20 am to ensure they go into class in adequate time.
When students are late i.e. after 8.30 a.m. they need a note explaining their absence.

School Response to absences
2 days absence without explanation – class teacher will ring home to enquire
4 days absence without suitable explanation – Principal will ring home to enquire
If there is no response to the phone call then an Absence Letter will be mailed home, reminding parents/carers of their obligations to ensure their child attends school on every school day and the requirement for providing satisfactory explanations for all absences.

Absences greater than 10 days
If you are expecting that your child will be absent for greater than 10 days you need to apply for an ex-