From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Welcome back! It's refreshing to return with everything adorned in lush greenery thanks to the recent rainfall.

I trust you had a delightful break with your children and that the Easter holiday provided a well-deserved chance to unwind and recharge.

School Review

This week, we had the privilege of hosting two principals who are currently serving as school reviewers while on leave from their respective schools. Some of you may have had the chance to converse with either Darren Sengstock or Tania Schmidt regarding our school and your child/children. Given their experience with small schools, their feedback is sure to offer valuable insights tailored to our unique context.

Conducting a school review will aid our school (along with the P&C) in formulating a comprehensive four-year strategic plan. This plan will be structured around the fundamental principles of student learning, quality teaching, and fostering strong community partnerships.

ANZAC Day Service

The annual service for this year will take place next Friday morning starting at 9 am. You're welcome to join us for this intimate gathering. Additionally, please stay updated on ANZAC ceremonies happening across the Lockyer Valley on April 25th by checking your local news sources.

Welcome back Mrs Herrmann

I'm certain Mrs. Herrmann is delighted to be back home after her extended stay in England. Special appreciation goes to Mr. Godden for ensuring our students received uninterrupted access to quality lessons in her absence.

Reading is the Key

It's consistently fulfilling to collaborate with students on enhancing their reading abilities and witnessing their progress over time. As I often remind my students, reading serves as the gateway to all other forms of learning, making it imperative to foster a culture of reading both in the classroom and at home. Investing effort in nurturing a child's reading endurance—their capacity to sustain reading—ensures that they reap the benefits as they advance through high school and into the future.

Quote of the Week

"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body." - Joseph Addison

Regards,

Denny Taylor - Principal



Calendar of Events

ANZAC Day: Thursday, 25th April.

ANZAC Day Service: Friday, 26th April.

School Incursion: Tuesday, 30th April.

Camp: Monday, 30th September to Wednesday, 2nd October.

P&C Update

Bunny fundraiser for 2024

This year's fundraiser posed greater challenges compared to previous ones for two main reasons: Firstly, the unavailability of a community hall for production, and secondly, a shortage of volunteers to assist in making the marshmallow bunnies. Despite the challenges, we successfully sold 1270 trays of bunnies.

We'd like to thank the following helpers: Cindy, Amelia, Reg, Lauren, Matt, Eliza, Pamela (and friend Chris), Carlee Gooch ... apologies if we've left out a name, as your support was greatly appreciated.

Thanks also, to our very loyal customers:

- Parents and members of the community;
- Betros Brothers in Toowoomba;
- Chocolate Cottage;
- Middle Ridge Handimart in Toowoomba;
- Café Sorella.

Thank you so much for your support of this year's Easter raffle. Congratulations to our three winners.

Upcoming Projects

- Annual maintenance will be carried out on A block (staffroom & library) as it receives some much needed paint works.
- 2. The installation of another UV water treatment station, that will ensure that our toilet block's hand basins receive sanitised water.
- 3. The construction of our undercover play area (adjacent to our eating/assembly area).
- 4. Replacement of the undercover walkway to the toilet block (roof and gutters).
- Awaiting to hear if we'll receive an additional classroom block. NB: it is to replace our outdated prep building.

