Hello everyone,

Where did this term go?? Although there are only a couple of weeks left until the holidays it is still all systems go in the classrooms; lots of learning, assignments and fun.

The classroom was a hive of industry late last week; hammering, nailing and making sure that some fabulous Father’s Day presents were finished on time. I hope that all our dads had an extra special day on Sunday.

- **Friday was ‘Teacher Aide & School Support Staff Day’** so we took the chance to thank and congratulate Mrs Vaughan, Mrs Kovacs & Ms Day who were working that day. Heartfelt thanks also go to all our other wonderful staff (Mrs Bendell, Mrs Vellacott, Mrs Warren and Mr Vellacott) all of whom do so much, above and beyond the call of duty, in and out of the classroom, to support our children’s learning. We all really appreciate the love and dedication they show to our school community.

- **Mrs Dyer was away today.** Thank you to Mrs Daysh for replacing her.

- **I will be away on Wednesday** at a Principals’ Meeting in Bundaberg.
• **Steve Case, (Assistant Regional Director), will visit on Thursday** to discuss the Quadrennial School Review (QSR) process. Schools are expected to complete a QSR every 4 years. Input from students, staff, parents and the wider community will be sought so that plans can be put into place that will ensure that our school offers the best possible learning environment for all children.

• **Mr Horner will be away on Thursday.**

  Adopt-A-Cop, Snr Constable Sharon, sent a lovely e-mail this week saying "Hi" to everyone and apologising for not visiting recently, due to illness and a change of duties. We look forward to seeing Sharon again next term.

• **Great news! New toilets are going to be installed and the amenities building painted inside and out by Christmas. New carpet will also be laid in the main classroom.** We have a very healthy maintenance budget (that must be spent using QBuild) so lots of outstanding jobs will now get completed.

• **Date claimer: A flyer is attached to this Waffle and a post has been placed on Facebook advertising 'Booyal's Biggest Party': Saturday 1st November. Please spread the word. It will be a terrific night!**

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**PROJECT CLUB NEWS:**
**Thursday 18th September**
Spaghetti & disco night
$5 per person (parents & siblings welcome).
Information will be sent home later this week.

**Banking and Library Day is Friday**
Please check that your child has their book(s) ready to exchange on Fridays.

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I always feel so inadequate putting a mere ‘Thank You’ note in the newsletter for our special helpers. I hope each one of them realises just how wonderful they are and how much their help is valued and appreciated.

Particular thanks go to Aunty Linda who volunteers a day a week to work in the classrooms, as well as Mrs Munn for all her help on a Tuesday morning, Mrs Horner (in her role as a mum) for hearing the P/1 class read and Mrs Bendell for the tremendous number of hours she voluntarily spends in class helping out every week, (especially on a Friday).
We love you all. X ☺
The next P&C meeting will be on Tuesday 16th September, the last week of school. You are encouraged to attend P&C meetings and help in whatever way you feel able. Remember: YOUR child benefits from the work P&C parents do.

NEWS FROM P/1

- This week will be the last week of homework for the term.
- Have a good one on Sunday, dads. Hope you enjoy your presents and card from the kids. Thank you to Mrs Munn, Mrs Horner and Mrs Kovacs for all your assistance in creating.
- Writing in our classroom is coming along. Recently we have made a list of what was in our lunchbox, made up sentences when given two words and written sentences about apples. We ate apples in class to give us ideas for our writing! We are always talking about starting sentences with capitals, using different words to begin our sentences and writing down all of the sounds we hear in words. Everyone is giving this their best shot.
- Did you know that 50% of all reading texts are made up of the same 100 sight words? What a benefit it will be for your child if they have secured these by the end of the year. Is your child on track to achieving the target?

Student(s) Of The Week

😊 Congratulations on a job well done! 😊

Mrs Dyer’s class: Mason Gray for his wonderful writing efforts. He is doing a great job in this area.

Mrs D.’s class: Abigael Hansen for finally achieving 10/10 in her daily maths tests. This is a HUGE improvement and a result of Abigael’s wonderful determination to succeed.
**Gotcha Winners**
Lovely to see such happy young men!

*Congratulations Leeroy & Doc*

**Achievement Awards**

Lots more awards to proudly take home. Well done!

**WHAT WE’VE LEARNT:** (as told by the children)

**ENGLISH: We learnt about:**

- how to write in paragraphs
- the secrets to advertising
- how to break words up to spell a big word more easily
- how to start writing with a verb or dialogue so as to make it more interesting and energetic
- what logos and slogans are

**MATHS: We learnt about:**

- decimal division
- draw a picture, show your working, double check and make sure an answer makes sense!
- how to do sums like $35 \times 25$, double digit multiplication
- how to times and divide fractions
- how to add two different fractions with different denominators
- how to times 4 twelves without using my fingers
- how to round decimals
HISTORY: we learnt about

- about the Eura people
- that many nationalities contribute things to Australia
- how to write descriptive questions and answer them
- how to form open ended questions
- that Ahn Doh's brother, Khoa, was on a boat that got attacked by pirates when he came to Australia with his family from Vietnam. He got dangled over the edge.

SCIENCE: we learnt that

- how different types of rocks form
- how Uluru has been eroded
- how to make things out of materials
- that lighter soils float and heavier soils sink when they are mixed in water
- soil is made of different types of rock
- how to use and make dichotomous keys
- how to identify organisms using a dichotomous key
- that a circuit can only work if it is closed

AND FINALLY.....

“What are your favourite songs?”

Danita: ‘Frozen’ (a Disney song)

Mason: ‘They’ve Got The Moves Like Jagger’ (Taylor Swift)

Brady: the song on the KFC advert

Danica: ‘Fruit Salad’ (The Wiggles)

Aliyah: ‘The Teddy Bears’ Picnic’

Charlie: absent

Hamish: ‘Big Rock Candy Mountain’

Deklyn: ‘It’s Raining Men’

Cooper: ‘Rat-Ta-Ta’ (a song about a motorbike)

Leeroy: ‘Work Hard, Play Hard’

Mary: absent

Clinton: ‘Radioactive’ (Imagine Dragons) & ‘Work Hard, Play Hard’
Jayden: ‘Missing Slim’ (Lee Kernaghan) & ‘My Heaven On Earth’ (Slim Dusty)

Doc: ‘Good Time’ (Alan Jackson) & ‘Juke Box Junkie’ (Ken Mellons)

Kees: ‘Pop A Top’ (Alan Jackson) & ‘The Budgie Song’ (John Williamson)

Jessica: ‘Dark Horse’ & ‘California Gurl’ (Katy Perry)

Kaylah: ‘Roar’ (Katy Perry) & ‘Little Willie Won’t Go Home’ (Sweet)

Erin: ‘Burn’ (Ellie Goulding) & ‘Roar’ (Katy Perry)

Toby: ‘Que Sera Sera’ (Justice Crew) & ‘Brave’ (Sara Bareilles).

Abigail: I don’t have any

Maddy: ‘Blockbuster’ (Sweet) & ‘Let’s Hear It For The Boy’ (The Divas)

Mitchell: ‘Rock Star’ & ‘Shout It Out’ (Reece Mastin)

Paul: absent

Nathan: ‘Radio Active’ (Imagine Dragons) & ‘Hunter’ (30 Seconds To Mars)

Hannah: ‘Brave’ (Sara Bareilles) & ‘Somebody To You’ (The Vamps)

Mrs D: ‘Hair Of The Dog’ (Adam Harvey) & ‘You’ll Never Walk Alone’ sung by Liverpool supporters at a footy match. 😊

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**Parade**

- Mrs D at Principals’ Meeting, Bundaberg
- P&C Meeting
- Project Club Movie Night
- School holidays start/end
- Visit by Spinal Injuries Education Team
- Student Free Day
- Visit by a golf coach
- Booyal’s Biggest Party
- Visit by AVA Pets
- Mrs D in Maryborough: Principals’ Meeting
- ‘Seussical The Musical’ at Booyal Hall (pm)
- Visit by golf coach
- Red Cross: Disaster Preparedness Visit
- School Camp (P-7): Riverside Retreat, Bundaberg
Tuesday 9th December | Reports Sent Home
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Wednesday 10th December | Graduation & School Concert
Friday 12th December | 😊 Picnic Day: last day of school 😊
Saturday 13th December | Booyal Hall Christmas Party
Monday 25th January | School Resumes

**NEWSFLASH:** Toilets have been stolen from the Childers Police Station.

The crime is being investigated. Unfortunately police currently have nothing to go on.

If you, or any of your friends or relations, would enjoy receiving The Waffle via e-mail each week please send me their details so that they can be added to the mailing list. My e-mail address is ddoli4@eq.edu.au