G'day everyone,

It has been all systems go around here this week with a variety of visitors coming and going. We always enjoy welcoming guests into the classroom and working with them to increase our knowledge of the world.

Photos: The school photo shoot went off well. Many thanks to Country School Photos. We had a full roll up of students on the day, all looking beautiful. Judging by all the lovely hair dos we have some very talented and patient mums and sisters! All credit to you – the girls looked great. 😊

- **Astronomy Night** was extremely well attended. What a fantastic opportunity to use telescopes and learn more about the night sky. Owen Benedict, the astronomer from Wappa Falls Observatory was an absolute dynamo of information, with an encyclopaedic knowledge of planets, stars and the like. I am sure that he would have willingly kept us here all through the night and not drawn breath! We met the most incredible people at Booyal. 😊 Thanks to all our helpers, especially Mrs Dyer whose foot would have been well and truly throbbing by the end of the night.

Reminder: Some families still have to pay for the night. $10 per adult and $7 per non-Booyal child (5 years and older). This covers the astronomer’s fee. Afternoon tea and dinner were provided free of charge from the school.
• **Tuckshop was delicious** on Monday - a big thank you to Mrs Bendell and Mrs Warren.

**Well done, Daniel. 😊** Dan went to the cross country trials at St Luke's on Tuesday and ran a very credible race. What a champ. We are very proud of him! Knowing Dan, I bet he didn’t stop smiling as he ran the whole course.

Mrs Ilett would like approximately sixteen 2 litre soft drink bottles and inner tubes from cling wrap rolls please.

NAPLAN testing will be held for students in Year 3 & 5 during Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Week 4, 12th-14th May.

**P&C NEWS**

Thanks to everyone who has returned their Childers Show form. If you are still to do so could you return the information by the end of next week so that we can organise. Thank you.

Friday is banking day

Once again, a big thank you to everyone who helped around school this week, behind the scenes and in class.

**Junior Jottings**

Hi Everyone,

Another busy and eventful week.

• **Our display table for next week is 'tw ' and 'u'.**

• **The Year 1 students have started looking at the THRASS charts to learn all about the different choices we have when writing a speech sound.** It will take some time for us to understand our charts and remember the raps associated with them but the ultimate aim will be for the students to have a firm base and helpful tool for spelling.
Date stamp missing: Our date stamp in the Junior Class is missing in action. It always lives on top of the stamp pad but this morning the pad was by itself and looked lonely. A reward is offered for its safe return. I wonder if it decided to become an astronaut?

Jessica brought in a yo-yo for 'y.'
Here is Mr McGregor demonstrating some tricks. The children loved seeing the yo-yo light up.

SHOW & TELL
The Preps are doing well with this class activity. As a one off for next week I would like to ask if the Year 1s could bring along Show & Tell - free choice.

Monday: Danita & Leeroy
Tuesday: Hamish, Charlie & Aliyah
Wednesday: Danica & Mason

Role modelling by the Year 1s will help the Preps a great deal. It is lovely for children to be learners and teachers.

Thanks to Mrs Ilett for her extra help this week. My fractured toe has slowed me up bit but I will be right again in a little while.

Kind Regards,

Fiona

Momentum is really increasing for the Booyal Bunyip’s ‘Kidding About For Drought’ DVD, with inquiries to become involved starting to come our way. The children and I were interviewed on ABC Western Qld, and snippets were played on ABC news radio across the state. The students did a brilliant job! Today we even had a request from a TV show in South Australia who are trying to work out how best to do a segment on the Bunyips and their project. Very exciting!
Gotcha Winners
Mitchell and Jessica were last week’s lucky GOTCHA winners. Congratulations!

Achievement Awards
Congratulations on your progress team! What a super-dooper effort. 😊

Students Of The Week
Mrs Dyer's class: Hamish for excellent spelling work.

Mrs D's class: Deklyn for being such an independent and industrious worker. Deklyn always listens well and thinks everything though very carefully.

AND FINALLY.....
I am scratching the bottom of the barrel for interesting and amusing questions to ask the children. Please have a think and see if you can come up with any.
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Wishing all our mums a particularly lovely weekend. **Happy Mother’s Day!**

**Back to school**

Little Johnny had finished his summer holidays and gone back to school. Two days later his teacher phoned his mother to tell her that he was misbehaving.

"Wait a minute," she said. "I had Johnny with me for six weeks and I never called you once when he misbehaved."

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"We always do our ‘Booyal Best…..and nothing less! 😊"