Hi everyone,

On behalf of the students, staff and wider school community I would like to thank our wonderful teacher aides and all Booyal support staff (administration officer, cleaner, groundsman) for the genuine dedication, care and attention they give to us all every day. We have an extremely skilled and motivated team who give their hearts and souls to help every child; doing so much more than is necessary and always doing so willingly. They are certainly some of ‘Booyal’s Best’ and we love them all to bits!

Whilst we will pay proper recognition next week, it is officially Teacher Aide Day today and the past week is one where school support staff are annually recognised. Heartfelt thanks and admiration to you all.

- **German Day excursion:** Grade 5 and 6 LOTE students are looking forward to a day full of German cultural activities at Childers State School next Wednesday. Ms Clair will accompany the group.

- **I will be away on Monday** at a principals’ meeting in Maryborough. Mr Horner will be at school that day.
- **Whale watching excursion:** Permission forms were sent home on Monday and are due back (with payment) no later than 11th September.

- There is a lovely article about the 'Kidding About For Drought' DVD in this week's Queensland Country Life. We are now in the final stages of collecting jokes. It has been particularly exciting to have videos sent in from the likes of Adam Harvey, Adam Brand, Beccy Cole, Troy Cassar Daley and several TV celebrities. Lee Kernaghan is on the 'hit list' this weekend since he is playing a concert in Bundaberg on Sunday. He can run, but he can't hide with Booyalians on his tail! 😊

- Project Club ran a successful Father's Day chocolate raffle which was drawn at lunchtime.

  **Congratulations to the lucky winners:**
  1st: the class (thanks to Mrs Vaughan)
  2nd: David Horner
  3rd: Toby Bendell

- Reminder: Tuckshop will be held on Thursday. 'Thank You' to our always busy P&C ladies.

- If you have noticed that things have been quiet Facebook-wise it is because many schools across the state have been temporarily locked out. This is due to security issues. I believe that Education Queensland will have rectified the situation by early next week.

  The Woolies 'Earn & Learn' program is nearing an end. The last day of the promotion is 8th September. We have been fortunate to receive many donations, including some anonymous ones in the post from as far away as Gladstone, Emerald and Melbourne. Thanks everyone! 😊
Dear All,
I just wish the term would slow down... time is running out! Our classroom is always so busy that there seems 102 things to do and not much time!

**Whales**
In *Special Project Time* we have started our journey about whales in order to prepare the P/1/2 students for our End of Term Excursion. Last week they each remembered a whale fact and presented it to the older class and any adults that were around for rent-a-crowd. For having little memorising time they did well.

We already have found out that ‘The Spirit of Hervey Bay’ has 5 viewing decks and two hulls. Did you know that a whale doesn’t sleep normally? It sleeps with half its brain so it remembers to breathe.

**Sightwords/Reading**
The Teacher-Aides who work in our classroom in the mornings love the effort that the students are putting in with their reading and sightwords. That constant practice at home and at school is paying dividends. Keep it up team.

**Learners**
Part of our classroom charter is around developing a growth mindset around learning. We have been discussing that good learners are thinkers, listeners and remember.

Hope you like all the photos this week. Cheers to the school dads for Sunday. Hope you enjoy the presents from the children. They have worked very hard to make their awesome gifts.

Kind Regards, Mrs Dyer
CENTENARY MEETING
The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th September at 7.30 pm in Mrs D's room.

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REMINDER: the arrival time for students is strictly between 8.30 a.m. and 9.00 a.m.; no earlier, unless by special arrangement. This allows staff to prepare for the day, have meetings etc. No supervision is provided for children prior to 8.30 a.m. Please respect this request.

As always, it is expected that parents are outside school at 3 p.m. for the release of students. If you are occasionally running later than 10 minutes please have the courtesy to phone the school's landline and advise a staff member or leave a message on the answering marching. Thank you for your continued consideration and co-operation.

Friday is banking day

Gotcha Winners

Well done to our recent GOTCHA winners!

Students Of The Week

Parades will resume on Monday.
One was not held last week since I was on leave.

Award Recipients

I can see several awards ready to hand out next week. Great work everyone! 😊
AND FINALLY.....

What things do you like to do when you are on your own?

Hayley: playing pretend games. I do funny voices and pretend to be everyone in the game
Jessica: absent
Peter-Craig: play Hide & Seek. I usually win 😊
Tiah: absent
Charlie: jump on the trampoline
Danica: climb trees
Aliyah: play horses
Hamish: play the Xbox and Wii
Mason: absent
Danita: colour in
Leeroy: absent
Cooper: ride my quad and pushbike
Deklyn: watch TV and read
Jayden: play the Xbox and football
Mary: write stories and make things for Mum & Dad
Clinton: absent
Kaylah: play with my stuffed toys and draw
Kees: walk up & down the hallway and lie on the lounge playing my iPod
Doc: pat John-John the cat and watch movies
Rachel: read ‘The Bible Story Hour’ book and watch TV
Jessica: absent
Paul: play anything with balls and wheels outside then walk around the farm
Mitchell: kick a football through the goals I made and ride my motorbike
Daniel: play on the trampoline and talk to myself
Toby: talk to myself and play with my tablet
Maddy: read mystery books and think of things I can do later
Ty: watch movies and draw
Mrs D: any ‘alone time’ generally involves writing, listening to music and eating chocolate! 😊

Here’s hoping that all Booyal dads have an extra special day on Sunday! Happy Father’s Day. 😊
Some corny dad jokes

“Whenever the cashier at the grocery store asks my dad if he would like the milk in a bag he replies, ‘No, just leave it in the carton!’”

“Whenever we drive past a graveyard my dad says, ‘Do you know why I can’t be buried there?’ And we all say, ‘Why not?’ And he says, ‘Because I’m not dead yet!’”

Dad said, “I had a dream that I was a muffler last night. I woke up exhausted!”

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Enjoy the first weekend of Spring!

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