We are leaders.

This term the school is participating in several community fundraising ventures including the Woolworths ‘Earn and Learn’ and also the Beenleigh Market Place ‘Run Around Australia’. The students benefited from resources and equipment purchased last year as a result of the effort of the parents and community. We ask that you again support these fundraising opportunities.

From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, when you shop at Woolworths you will be given a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent, excluding cigarettes, liquor and gift cards. Collect these Woolworths Earn & Learn Points and drop your stickers in at school and then we will be able to redeem these for educational resources.

Run Around Australia is part of our “Let’s Live Better” initiative, an inspiring program which aims to help communities adopt healthier and happier lifestyles. Run Around Australia encourages local schools – supported by friends, family and the local community – to compete in an online ‘race’ around the country for the chance to win prizes. The school that travels the furthest wins!

To be involved simply shop at Beenleigh Marketplace between Monday 15 April and Sunday 26 May and present your receipts to the Customer Service Desk or Centre Management. Every dollar you spend goes towards kilometres for your school. Just for playing you could be a winner too, with a $1000 Gift Card up for grabs. All you need to do is register your details and nominate our school.

Prizes
This year there are CASH PRIZES as well as weekly prizes to win at Beenleigh Marketplace.

1st Prize: $5,000
2nd Prize: $2,000
3rd Prize: $1,000

PLUS weekly prizes kindly donated by The Lions Club – Digital camera for the school.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Allison McClean
Principal 23/4/2013

Forthcoming Events

APRIL
24 Mobile Library
26 Gala Day Sport

MAY
3 Gala Day Sport
8 Mobile Library
10 Gala Day Sport
14-16 NAPLAN YR 3, 5 & 7
20-22 YR 5,6 & 7 CAMP

Winner
2012 Life Education
Children’s Day Awards

KIDS MATTER
Classroom News – A new addition to our weekly newsletter!
Each class will take turns informing you of the wonderful learning and experiences occurring in their classrooms.

The Avengers
Our amazing students eagerly embraced the new Australian History curriculum last term. They learnt about world navigators and the convicts who travelled on the First Fleet to Australia. One of their assessment tasks asked them to pose interesting questions to elicit useful information from the convicts on board the First Fleet. Here are some of their insightful questions:

Where did you sleep? (Matilda)
How many days were you at sea? (Emily)
Did you leave any family behind in England? (Braiden)
How did the convicts get food? (Cameron)
How did the convicts get caught? (Hunter)
What did you learn? (Balin)
Did the convicts get to bring their family on the trip too? (Ashlee)
Were there guns on the ships? (Aiden)
Were there any jail cells on the hulls? (Tom)
How did you make food without a stove/oven? (Zac)
How did you feel when the judge said you had to go to a new land? (Rhiannon)
How did you feel when you heard you were being sent on the boat? (Ben)
Did you ever try to escape? (Isabella)
What was the crime that the convict committed? (Ebony)
Do you have any family? (Katie)
What did you sleep on? Did you sleep on anything? (Lauren)
How did you feel when you were sent to Australia (Luke)
Where did they put you on the boat? (Kaleb)
Well done Year 3/4!!!
Mrs Sinclair and Mrs Aird

Classroom Music News
Best Music Class of the Week: 6/7
Best Music Student of the Week: Chloe R
Most Outstanding Choir Member: Ruby S
Classroom music students have been
a) Introduced to the word ‘rhythm’ and have been learning to differentiate between ‘beat’ and rhythm
b) Practising ti ti ta pattern on untuned percussion
c) Beginning performance work on a famous theme by the composer Beethoven

Choir News:
Choir students have begun the term with a burst of energy and enthusiasm. Rehearsals continue every Tuesday, 2nd break, 1:15pm.
Thanks, Mrs S Field (Classroom Music)

ARE YOU A PARENT OF SIBLINGS WHO FIGHT?
Every day thousands of parents wake up to the challenge of dealing with children who are in conflict with their siblings. Researchers from The University of Queensland are interested in understanding and improving children’s relationships with their siblings. To do this, the research team headed by Prof. Matt Sanders, would like to invite parents of siblings to fill out a brief questionnaire highlighting their experiences raising siblings. The researchers are interested to know how being a parent of siblings impacts your family? Do you receive enough support to deal with challenging behaviour? What sort of extra help do you think you need? And how best would you like to receive support? The information provided will be used to help develop a tailored parenting program for parents who are having difficulty with their children’s sibling conflict. Participating parents will also be invited to register their interest for the trial of the program once it is available. All parents of siblings who have children aged between 2 and 10 years with no more than 4-years separating the two siblings are invited to participate in a brief questionnaire available at www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/siblings. Parents do not need to have children who are in conflict to participate. Contact John Pickering on (07) 3346 8743 or email j.pickering@uq.edu.au, or visit for more information.

MISSING SAXOPHONE BOOK
Can parents please check their child’s instrumental books and make sure they have their own, as a student is missing her Saxophone book?

LOST PROPERTY
We have a rather extensive collection of goggles left behind after our Term 1 swimming program. If you are missing a set please have a look through the lost property box.

BOOKCLUB NEWS
Bookclub is due back on the 1/5/2013.

EDUCATIONAL WEBSITES
We are often asked at school about educational websites or on-line games that students and parents can access at home. I will try and include a few in each newsletter this term.

Read Write Think Parent Resources
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/
Area: ENGLISH - reading and writing
Age group: Prep-12
Synopsis: Engaging ways to introduce children to reading or to encourage them to write. Provides age-appropriate book suggestions and rainy day activities. The site is fun, educational,
Khan Academy
Web address: http://www.khanacademy.org/
Area: MATHS, SCIENCE, HUMANITIES
Age group: middle, upper primary and secondary
Synopsis: The Khan Academy is a not-for-profit site with the mission of providing a world-class education to anyone, anywhere. Browse 1800+ videos which present You Tube video clips to explain topics and concepts.

Our Focus:
Everybody Reads at Woongoolba!
Readers are Leaders
Our Mission:
We develop leaders- every child, every day.
Our Vision:
Innovate, Participate, Excel.
Our Goal:
To improve student performance in Literacy, Numeracy & Science in a Sustainable & Technological World
Our Motto:
Achievement: Our Goal
Value of the Week:
Our Natural World: We connect and act
Habit of the Week:
Be Proactive

P&C NEWS
P&C MEETING NOTES.
Last meeting after the AGM, we discussed how to try and improve our meetings, and accountability. Watch future newsletters for:
1. Agenda items.
2. Lists of things the School might need.
3. Projects that may be happening that you can help with.
4. Please feel welcome to attend meetings to put ideas forward.
The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th May at 6.30pm in the Leaders’ Centre. I encourage all parents, staff and community members to be active members of our P&C. For more information please visit http://www.qcpca.org.au/

FUNDRAISING
Thank you to Lizzie Ward who is now our new Fundraising Co-ordinator. There will be a get-together in the Leaders’ Centre from 8:30 tomorrow morning. Please feel free to come along and share any ideas you have.
Lizzie Ward – 0423262065

UNIFORM SHOP
We are currently looking for a new Uniform Convenor. Anyone interested in the position please contact the Office. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sawan for all her hard work during the last year. Sawan, your commitment and dedication has really been appreciated.

TUCKSHOP TIDBITS 23/4/2013
The roster for Term 2 needs some names, so if you have a morning to spare, please drop by the tuck shop and put your name in one of the available spaces!

Rosters:
Friday 26th April: Karen Weston, Rhonda, Jenny
Tuesday 30th April: Rhonda, Jenny, Karen
Friday 3rd May: Jenny, Rhonda Plus one more please!!

TUCKSHOP NEWS
We can now offer a NEW dessert. FRUIT & CUSTARD will be available at .70c per serve. Fully approved and encouraged by QAST, we will offer either diced peaches or diced pears with custard in the same sized container as the current ‘jelly & custard’. Just make sure you mark your orders on the lunch bag! The old favourites ‘jelly & custard’ will also still be available. We are also trying to secure some limited lines of GLUTEN FREE foods. At this time, we can get gluten free BOLOGNESE, and there will be a revised menu out later this week. WE NEED SOME FEED BACK FROM PARENTS ABOUT THE GLUTEN FREE LINES PLEASE! Cheese Sticks will also be available later this week on a trial basis! Hot milo will be available around mid-May when it gets a little cooler.

If you are on the roster, and something comes up, can you try to organize a fill in, or ring me ASAP so I can get someone in to help. There needs to be at least TWO people in the tuck shop every day we are open. Lunch bags are available at the counter, 50 printed bags for $2.00. Please check that class, teacher and the child’s name are always written on lunch bags!! Keep an eye open for the revised menu, and pin it to your fridge!

Regards,
Rhonda (0419 722 481)

MONIES FOR SPORT
PREPAYMENT
TERM ONE AND TWO FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE. You may choose to pay these fees up front in one lump sum, pay by the term or arrange a payment plan to suit your individual needs. All information will be treated as confidential. Our Sport, Swimming and Transport Prepayment Scheme is $85.00 per child per year for children in PREP to Year 4 and $110 per child per year for children in years 5 to 7. Contributions to this scheme are payable by the term.
Prep – Yr 4: Term 1 - $45; Term 4 - $40
Yr 5 – Yr 7: Term 1 - $45, T2 - $25, T4 - $40
Entry to the Pool in Terms One and Four, Bus travel to and from the Pool in Terms One and Four, Travel to Sports (including District Sports and Gala Days) Students will not be able to participate in these activities unless payments for these have been provided. Money collection days are Mondays and Wednesdays ONLY between 8:30am and 9:15am. If your children bring in money on any other day, they will be asked to
return it to their bags. The school will not take any responsibility for money lost if children bring it in on non-money collection days. So please ensure your children bring money in on the correct days and that it is taken to the Office immediately on their arrival at school. Also, if you are paying online please be aware that it does take a couple of days to show up in our bank account. Payments can be made via internet banking or at the Cash Window. Our banking details are as follows: BSB Number: 064-401 Account Number: 00901385 If paying online, please quote STUDENTS SURNAME and INVOICE NUMBER and then please e-mail accounts@woongoolss.eq.edu.au to inform of payment and purpose of funds.