Hi Everyone,

**Fun with maths day huge hit:** Today every child took part in the ‘fun with maths’ learning day. The students were challenged to complete fun and engaging problem solving maths activities for over an hour. The year six students supported the prep students in reading the instructions. They were wonderful ambassadors of learning and I commend them for how they supported the younger children. A huge thank you to Mrs Mian, our Head of Curriculum for coordinating this spectacular learning opportunity.

**Culture Day this Thursday:** Each year we celebrate cultures from around the world and present special traditional indigenous dances to the school community. This Thursday we will be changing the format by having our dances first up in the morning at 9am. Special guests include our elders, the local State member Julianne Gilbert, Department representatives and of course our parents and families. I am very pleased to open the school to our local community on this important day to encourage harmony through understanding and learning of many cultures. There are so many in which to thank for all the planning and hard work that goes into such a special event but I would particularly like to acknowledge Mrs McKean, Mrs Walker, Mrs Ikupu and my staff for planning what should be a memorable event. I encourage our Kindy parents to join us as well.

**Second gold badge recipient:** Congratulations to Neil Lagos for achieving his gold badge award. 100 tokens is a monumental achievement. A special congratulations to our 75 token Silver award, 50 token Sapphire and 25 token Emerald award winners this week. You have demonstrated our three school expectations – Be a learner, Be Respectful and Be safe. Well done.

**Kindy kid excels in local environmental comp:** On parade this week I had the pleasure of congratulating young Tobias on winning second prize in a local Mackay City Council competition. Well done.

**Coming up:**
- Culture day Thursday 3rd September all most welcome.
- This Wednesday & Friday is the P and C Father’s day stall. Gifts from $2 - $5.
- Camps for Year 4 and 5/6 next week.
- Swimming lessons Prep to Year 4 started last week. Every Tuesday through and after the holidays into term 4.

Rod Finney - Principal
**STUDENT AWARDS**
- Jasmine, Bodie, Chloe, Shinta, Billy, Abygail, Ebani, Nasonah

**ATTENDANCE — CUPCAKES**
7th Week: 3A! Well Done!

**EMERALD AWARD**
- Tarne, Keelin

**SAPPHIRE AWARD**
- Chloe, Isabelle, Wolfe

**GOLD AWARD**
- Finlee

**COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 3**
- Culture Day — Thursday 3rd September
- Year 5&6 Emerald camp — Monday 7th — Friday 11th September
- Year 4 Eungella camp — Thursday 10th — Friday 11th September
- Last day of Term 3 — Friday 18th September

**PREP ENROLMENTS 2016**
If your child is born between 1st July 2010 and 30th June 2011 they are ELIGIBLE FOR PREP CLASS IN 2016. Please call to the office for an enrolment form. Prep information session is Wednesday 21st October 5-6pm in the Prep room.

**P&C FATHERS DAY STALL**
Father's day is on Sunday 6th September.
P&C are having a stall on Wednesday 2nd and Friday 4th September.
We are looking for donations of anything that can be a gift for dad for the stall. Please drop them in to the office or to Mrs Madden.

**BLOCK-OUT CURTAINS**
We are looking for some block-out curtains for our classrooms (to help reduce glare on the whiteboards). If you have some curtains you no longer need, please donate them to the school.

**YEAR 5 & 6 CAMP**
Medical forms, packing list and the latest invoice have been handed out to the students who are going on camp. Please fill out the forms ASAP and return them to the office. Remember it is still very cold in Emerald at night. Please buy appropriate warm clothing.
- If you are not attending school camp, you still are required to attend school!

**YEAR 4 CAMP**
Please return your medical forms to Ms Armstrong ASAP.
$15 for the camp to Eungella and another $50 for the forest flying if you are trying it.
- If you are not attending school camp, you still are required to attend school!

**STUDENT ABSENCES**
The office phones parents/caregivers daily to fix up your students absence for the day. If the office can't get a hold of the parent/caregiver, can you please write a note to your child's class teacher.

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**P&C NEWS**
The P&C would like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents and staff who helped out at the Mini-Olympics last Friday. All the children had a wonderful time and we couldn't have done it without you all. If there are any sponsorship forms or money outstanding please return them to the office ASAP. Thank you!

**MUSIC NEWS**
- The Big Sing — Friday 11th September (Years 4 — 6 students only) 3:30—4:30pm at Fitzgerald SS.
- Eisteddfod dates:
  - String Ensemble — Tuesday 13th October 10:30am. Students will get own transport to the MECC.
  - Folk Group (small group of Year 4 — 6 members of Sladey Singers) — Thursday 22nd October 6.30pm
  - Sladey Singers — Friday 23rd October. Bus transport leaving school around 9am and returning around 1st break.

**CULTURE DAY**
Come along to our wonderful culture day on Thursday 3rd September starting at 9am. If you are able to help out on the day please see Nolear Walker or the office. Parents who are bringing any food please bring tongs/serving spoons.

- No Homework program Wednesday 2nd September!
- No Breakfast program Thursday 3rd September!

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

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**PIZZA SCROLLS**
Ingredients: 2 cups self-raising flour, 30g butter chopped, 3/4 cup milk, 1/2 cup tomato pasta sauce, 1 cup grated tasty cheese, 100g shaved Virginia ham, chopped, 225g can pineapple pieces, drained

Method: 1. Preheat oven to 200°C or 180°C fan-forced. Line a large tray with non-stick baking paper.
2. Sift flour into a large bowl. Add butter and rub in with your fingertips until evenly combined. Make a well in the centre of flour mixture and pour in the milk. Mix in with a flat-bladed knife until mixture is moist and starts to clump together. Gather the dough into a ball and turn out onto a lightly floured surface. Press dough into a roughly rectangular shape. Using a rolling pin, roll dough out to a 35cm x 25cm rectangle. Spread pasta sauce over the dough leaving a 3cm space along the two long edges. Sprinkle cheese, ham and pineapple over sauce.
3. Starting from a long side, roll into a log. Cut into 12 slices. Place onto tray, cut side up and with ends turned inwards so they don't unroll while cooking. Bake for 25 minutes until risen and golden brown.