Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has just flown. It has been a really exciting term with much going on in terms of sport and the Arts Festival. Our children excelled in participation and showed also what great potential they have. The presentation of awards at our last parade took ages because we had so many children do really well. It is so wonderful to be able to celebrate our children’s successes in front of the whole school.

I had Principals from Townsville visit our school last week and they went in and watched some lessons and talked to some students. They were really pleased with the lessons that they sat in on commenting on how explicit the intent of the lessons were and how engaged the students were. They mentioned also how inviting the classrooms were, how they thought that they would like to learn in such an environment! They remarked also what a fantastic feel the school had and noted the excellent behaviour of our students. It’s so good to know that it’s not just us who think that our students and teachers are fantastic! We do all however need to continue to encourage students to talk about what they are learning and where they are having concerns so that we can further support them. It is also pretty exciting for them to share their successes as well.

Our teachers are enthusiastic and passionate about ensuring that our students are engaged and being given opportunities to achieve in whatever area they are striving. As I have explained in previous newsletters that Great Results Guarantee funding has given us further opportunities to cater to different student needs and up skill our teachers based on the latest research. This week all of our teachers will be out of their classes sometime during the week to work together with mentors on planning and differentiation. Remember our objective is to ensure all our students are more confident, take greater risks, have greater responsibility for their own learning and achieve their potential.

We had the most fantastic day with our Under 8s Fun Day. Our Early Years’ teachers and aides had surpassed themselves and our students had a ball. Chappy Josh was very popular with his balloon art and our 6s and 7s had a ball helping the little ones and being involved in face painting.

We are having a science activity morning next term in week 6-Thursday the 30th of October for our preps, ones and twos. Our fun day went so well we thought that we would invite pre preps to join in on this as well. Our two science gurus from Ingham State School, Leonie De Lai and Colleen Way are working with one of our parents, Jennie Nash who is a Science teacher at the High School and who very generously often shares her time and knowledge with us, to make this morning exciting and memorable for all of the students.

Please don’t forget how important it is to read with your child. It is fantastic when parents work with their child and listen to them read each night but to increase their love of reading there is nothing better than whenever possible to read with your child and to your child. It can be a relaxed time or a high energy time where you can be asking them questions about what you have been reading. You can ask them is the answer in the text that you have read to them → Right There or a Think and Search question or is it an In My Head question. The greater collaboration that students see between the school and home the greater impact we have.

Date Claimers
September
18 September—Touch Carnival
19 September—Last day of Term 3
October
7 October—1st day of Term 4
13 October—Playgroup resumes
15 October—Graduation Meeting
24 November—Hamilton Island Yacht Club tickets close

Spotlight
TERM 4
School resumes on TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER

EFTPOS or Credit Card facilities are NOT available at Ingham State School.

School Hair Accessories
Made to order in School Colours (Navy/Grey, Red/Grey, Gold/Grey and Turquoise/Grey)
Flower Clips -$5.00ea
Headbands (Plain Woven or Twisted Woven) - $8.00ea
Headbands (Plain Ribbon with Loop for Hairclip) - $5.00ea
Headband/Hairclip Organiser — $15.00ea
For all enquiries phone or text Kelly on 0457 783 988
**TALKING TUCKSHOP**

**Term 3 is fast coming to an end.**

Many thanks to everyone for their assistance this term. I realize it has been very busy. It appears a number of students will be either at sport or up town at Mercer Lane this week. As I have no idea what classes are away or your timetable, please mark your lunch bags if you are having lunch from the Tuckshop and will be late to collect it.

A number of various pieces of equipment had to be borrowed for Seacapers. Many thanks to Luigina and Les for the use of their cold-room.

The Tuckshop Dinner will take place early next term. More details when we return to school.

Enjoy your holidays and return safe everyone.

Thank you everyone!

Mrs Byers Tuckshop Convenor

**2014 Tuckshop Roster**

**Wednesday 17 September** —

Araya Piakhan

**Thursday 18 September** —

Yvonne Bosworth

Friday 19 September —

Lina Marmara, Volunteers please

Tuesday 07 October

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**Wednesday 08 October**

Araya Piakhan

**Thursday 09 October** —

Jennie Nash, Kym S aid

**2014 Specialty Baking Roster**

Wednesday 08 October — Lee-Anne Waller

Thursday 09 October— Vicki Griffin,

Sandra Coco

**Wednesday 15 October** — Denise Palmas

Thursday 16 October — Trudie Dezolt, Linda Ballin

**VIOLIN NEWS TERM 4**

It has been a busy term for the violin students at school. We have had performances at the Ingham Arts Festival and Seacapers and all the students involved did a great job. Congratulations to Jessica, Kannika, Charlotte, Kira and Hannah who competed at the Arts Festival. All 5 girls received a trophy or medal. Well done!

Congratulations also to our Year 5-7 students, Ally, Hannah, Kira, Cristy, Christy, Charlotte, Jessica and Kannika who performed at the Seacapers Concert.

Thank you for your efforts in entertaining the crowd.

There has been a great improvement in the Year 3 students remembering to bring their violins to school each week. Thank you to all the parents for helping to develop good organisational skills with the students. It is really important that the students use their own violins at their lessons each week.

Next term the students will be preparing for their End of Year Concert where they can showcase the musical skills they have developed during the year. A concert date and time will be confirmed early next term.

Term 4 lessons will commence in week 1 on Tuesday 7th October, but please remind your children to.practise in the holidays as much as they can.

Have a great holiday!

Mrs Lynda Wright

**P & C Major Fundraiser**

**HAMILTON ISLAND HOLIDAY RAFFLE**

The raffle prize is 4 nights at the Reef View Hotel on Hamilton Island for 2 adults and 2 children with many wonderful benefits.

There are wonderful incentive prizes for, those who sell or purchase a complete book of raffle tickets such as:

- Book Seller’s Prize
- Individual Prizes
- Family Holiday Promotion

Ticket Books are available from the Office and may be collected by students and/or parents.

Thank you from Ingham State School P&C

All monies and tickets (including unsold tickets) are to be returned to the School Office by 24 November 2014.

**2014 Prep Open Days**

Session Times: 9:00 to 11:00am

- **Thursday 16 October** ~ Pre-prep morning. Literacy/Numeracy & Craft
- **Parent Information Sessions 9:30 to 10:30am** repeated session 5:00 to 6:00pm
- **Tuesday 28 October** ~ Pre-prep morning Literacy & Numeracy & Craft
- **Thursday 30 October** ~ Science Expo 9:30 to 11:00am
- **Thursday 13 November** ~ ICT & Meet the Buddies

**Graduation Meeting Notice**

The next Graduation Meeting will be Wednesday 15 October @ 5pm in Year 6NR classroom.

**Change of Meeting date**

Would you like to be the next Maraka Princess?

If you are aged 10 to 12 and want to join the fun pick up an entry form from Ingham Underagers or Risk-Ay.

For further information please phone Paula on 4027 635 022 or 4776 6928 Entries close 25 September

**2014 SCHOOL YEAR**

**Term 3:** Monday 14 July—Friday 19 September

**Term 4:** Tuesday 7 October—Friday 12 December

**2014 YEAR PUPIL FREE DAYS**

Monday 20 October

**Public Holidays**

Labour Day—Monday 6 October

Christmas Day—Thursday 25 December

Boxing Day—Friday 26 December

**STUDENT BANKING**

TUESDAY 15 Student Banking Day.

Please drop your bank deposit book with correct money enclosed in the Post Box outside the Office.

Your bank deposit book will be returned to you on Wednesday.