Dear Parents,

Education Week
Education Week is a special week to highlight the range of activities and learning opportunities available at our school. Thank you to all parents who were able to come along and visit open classrooms this morning and attend our concert. Thank you to our P&C for organising our morning tea and for all parents who were able to bring along a cake or slice. We are delighted by the support our school receives from our school community.

Small School Athletics
Congratulations to our keen students who travelled to Junction Hill to compete against other local small schools in the Small Schools’ Carnival. Jaylah, Emily, Jess, Brenden and Lachlan have all qualified to compete in the Clarence District PSSA Carnival tomorrow. Jess was also awarded Junior Girls’ Champion at the Small Schools’ Carnival. Great effort everyone!

Individual Eisteddfod
Thank you to all students who have entered the speech and drama day at the Grafton Eisteddfod which will be held next Friday (7th August) at the Salvation Army Hall in Grafton. Keep practising your poems and enjoy the friendly competition. Mrs Conyard will be at the hall to support our students competing. There is a small entry cost at the hall on the day for audience members.
Pinocchio
Our whole school musical, Pinocchio will be held in the South Grafton High School Hall at 6:30pm on Thursday 13\textsuperscript{th} August. \textbf{Tickets will go on sale next week.} The tickets are not for allocated seats but allow entry to see the show. Seats will be available on a first arrived basis. The tickets will be on sale at the school office at $5 per person or $15 for a family. \textbf{Performers and pre-schoolers will not need to pay.}

On Wednesday 12\textsuperscript{th} August our whole school will be travelling by bus for a full dress rehearsal of Pinocchio. We hope to make a video of the production on the day as well. A permission note will be sent home soon for students to travel by bus for this rehearsal at no cost to families.

Health Care Plans
We are currently in the process of updating student health care plans. If your child has a serious health condition or allergy, can you please contact the school to inform us of the details? Our records are often only as current as the time of student enrolment.

Socks - HELP!
We are still in desperate need of socks as whiteboard erasers. If you have any clean, odd socks, it would be much appreciated if they could be sent in.

Jeans for Genes
Next Friday we will be supporting the Jeans for Genes charity which raises money to assist the Children's Medical Research Institute's fight against childhood genetic disease. As this is also the Individual Eisteddfod day, we thought we might extend the program to other days next week as well. So next week you may wear jeans if you donate a gold coin for each day you wear jeans or wear your Jeans for Genes pin to show you have already donated this year.

Hats
We have been very happy to see many more students wearing their hats in the playground this week. This is great as we wish to help safeguard our students’ long-term health.
Earn and Learn at Woolies
Our school has registered with the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program again this year. If you shop at Woolworths and wish to collect the stickers for our school, these stickers would be very welcome and may be handed in at our office or popped in the collection box for our school at the front of Woolworths.

CSI Information Session
Students in years 4 and 5 will receive a Clarence Science Initiative flyer today regarding an information night for those interested in CSI for 2016. Anyone interested may also wish to ask Lachlan about his experiences this year in the program.

Dates for the Calendar
31st July    Clarence Athletics Carnival
7th August   Grafton Eisteddfod – Speech and Drama
7th August   Jeans for Genes Day
12th August  Whole school rehearsal of Pinocchio at SGHS
13th August  Evening Performance of Pinocchio
18th August  Vietnam Veteran’s March 4:30pm
25th August  Book Week
26th August  Small Schools Big Impact evening concert
5th Sept     Coutts Crossing Race Day
18th Sept    Talk Like a Pirate Day

With thanks,

Matt Hankinson

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - for Week 4, Term 3
Wed:        Kellie Perkins & Karen Gilbert
Fri:        Jess Horstman - Help needed

We require more volunteers to work in our canteen. If you are able to help out on canteen days, please contact the school on 6649 3225 or Jess Horstman on 0478 229 276. Thank you!
The canteen has stopped selling LOL carbonated fruit drinks. These drinks will no longer be included on the menu.
School Fees
School fees are now due for payment. The cost is $50 for the whole year or can be paid by the term $12.50 each term. These fees are to be paid at the office.

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 6\textsuperscript{th} August at 9:30am.

Cake Raffle
Thank you to the Skinner family who are supplying the cake tomorrow. Next Friday, 7\textsuperscript{th} August the cake will be supplied by the family of Brenden & Kirsten Hayes. We thank the parents for their support with this P&C fundraiser. **Please note, any family who does not wish to be included on this roster please phone the office.**

Coutts Crossing Tennis Club
The next competition commences on Monday, 31\textsuperscript{st} August. Names need to be in by Saturday, 15\textsuperscript{th} August to Cathy Danaher on 6649 3930.

Coutts Crossing Race Day
This annual Race Day will be held on Saturday, 5\textsuperscript{th} September with the Calcutta on Friday evening at 8.00 pm at Coutts Tavern. Further information will be sent home later.