From the Principals Desk,

Sometimes it is easy to focus on the negative things in life. As adults we can easily slip into pointing out what is wrong with governments, legal systems, the NRL bunker system or what happens in schools these days. Recently staff from all of the schools in our cluster (Harlin, Linville, Toogoolawah, Toogoolawah SHS and Esk) joined together for an evening Professional Development session. The presentation was a timely reminder that we choose the attitudes we bring to any situation and we get to choose to be happy or not, and that it is our responsibility. It is also our responsibility for what we pass on to others, in other words we don’t always need to pass on our unhappiness to others.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN is next week for our Year 3 and 5 students. These tests start on Tuesday 10th May with the Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation) and Writing Tests. I have included a schedule for the test days below for your information. Students in Years 4 & 6 will have an alternate supervision arranged during the tests. Wish our students in Year 3 and Year 5 all the best for next week.

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CELEBRATION!!!
The Emu’s Class was here for 100% of last week and on track for 100% this week!!!

This Year
Attendance Target is
93%
For All Students, currently we are on 93.6% for the year
Well done Linville we are on track and above target!

We have a goal to keep our unexplained absences down this year.

Thank you for to everyone who have been doing this, we really appreciate your help.

LINVILLE STARS
Your student/students may have come home talking about these STARS and the STAR Menu. You might be asking what are they? What is happening at the school now?

The answer is here! We are continuing along our journey of becoming a Positive Behaviour for Learning School. We have put in place a Whole School Reward system which I will begin to explain here.

STARS—Students will be given red, yellow or blue stars by staff for being observed demonstrating positive behaviour. They collect these STARS in their wallets.

BIG STARS—On Tuesdays they bring their wallets and ‘Bank’ their coloured STARS by trading 5 coloured STARS for 1 BIG STAR in the bank.

STAR MENU—On Wednesdays students can ‘spend’ their BIG STARS on items from the menu or save them for something bigger.

BRONZE, SILVER, GOLD & DIAMOND BADGES—When a student has collected 10 BIG STARS they will receive a BRONZE Badge to wear. They can continue to collect badges as they receive BIG STARS moving through SILVER, GOLD and DIAMOND badges.

These layers of STARS and Badges give short, mid-term and long term recognition for positive behaviours and enable all students to attain recognition for good behaviour choices.

Attendance Policy Changes
The Department will be announcing changes to the attendance policy to come into effect later this year and into 2017. Schools will be expected to contact Parents and Caregivers the same day that they are absent without an explanation. This has come about to ensure the safety of all students and to make sure everyone is accounted for. Thank you to everyone for your ongoing assistance with attendance.

SPORTING SCHOOLS
Athletics Australia has been unable to find someone to run the Sporting Schools program in our school this Term.
Mr Mac is currently doing the training and will start the Athletics next week as part of class HPE lessons.
Readers Cup Team

Our students are up and reading for Readers Cup this year. The Readers Cup is a reading competition involving students reading a selection of novels and answering questions in a team based format. We are the defending Somerset Region Champions and are looking to repeat last years success. We have a team of 9 readers reading, which will be reduced further for the competition day on Friday 17th June. Currently reading are Jesse, Jack, Josh, Euan, Katy, Kaitlyn, Rebecca and Taylah. Give them some encouragement when you see them as we only have a few more weeks to go!

P & C News

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P&C Calendar:
Next P & C meeting: 18th May 2016 at 9:00am. All welcome.

School banking is now on Friday.

Snack Attack

Parents are reminded that Snack Attack is to be fruit, vegetables or yoghurt that is prepared ready for use. It is great to see students eating healthy snacks to refuel those minds and bodies.

Please attempt to keep lunches healthy by limiting the number of packaged snacks in lunchboxes.
Week 2

Kangaroo's Class:
Student of the Week: Sarah

Emu's Class:
Student of the Week: Kaitlyn

Awards: Sarah D, Lola, Bethany, Angus, Tytus, Chloe, Josh, Jesse, Jack

Week 3

Kangaroo’s Class:
Student of the Week: Juelz

Emu's Class:
Student of the Week: Manny

Awards: Lola, Bethany, Juelz, Sarah D, Mali, Michelle, Quineeta, Taylah, Katy, Kaitlyn, Josh, Euan, Luke, Manny, Jack
WEEK 4

Be Respectful in All Areas

- I care for my school

WEEK 5

Be Safe in the Playground

- I wear shoes and a broad-brimmed hat

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Improvement Agenda 2016

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Save the Children Mobile Playgroup
The Mobile Playgroup run by Save the Children is at Moore on Tuesday afternoons, from 12—2 pm. It is a free service for anyone with children in the pre-school (0-5 years age range). The facilitator will bring a fully equipped van with activities and morning tea for everyone who comes along. The van will park in the school grounds, on the driveway near the stairs to the senior classroom. If you know of anyone in the community who has pre-school children please pass on this information about the playgroup to them.
For more information, please contact 0411 668 852.

Chaplaincy News
Please note changes to dates for Supa Club.
Supa Club will be held on **Wednesday 11th** and **Thursday 19th May**, Wednesday 1st and 15th June, 2016.

Toogoolawah PICTURES
**Sat., 7th May - pg**
Doors: 7.00 pm  Movie: 7.30 - 9.40 pm

**Sat., 14th May - m**
Doors: 7.00 pm  Movie: 7.30 - 9.40 pm

Child to High School: $6
Adult: $8  Family: $25
Snack Bar. Hot Dogs & Pop Corn
Alexandra Hall, T'wah
Inquiries: 0438 149 954