To the Parents and Community of Harlin State School,

Thank you to everyone for your well wishes whilst I was away last week. I am on the road to recovery and very glad to be back at school - I received a very warm welcome back from all of our students which was very humbling. Thank you to our ever supportive team at Harlin whom remained focused on our priorities whilst I was absent. Thanks to Miss Perry for making sure the classroom continued without any hiccups.

At the conference we were given a number of key messages with the overarching one being that ‘A Great School has a great school down the road’ - State Schools are Great Schools. I will be actioning a number of initiatives over the coming term and also focusing on staff well being.

Cross Country

Our Cross Country was held today and well done to Miss Perry and Mr McDonnell for organising this awesome interschool event. It is always pleasing to see the great sportsmanship that our students display towards each other and other schools. Congratulations to the placegetters and all competitors today.

Good Work to our students

Our Easter break is fast approaching and I would like to commend our students on the effort and enthusiasm that they have put in with assessment pieces.

Rewards Day

Our rewards day this term will be a multi activity day at school and we are leaving our activities as a surprise on the day. Students will be divided into five groups and rotate around the activities throughout the day. Miss Derksen and myself have been working hard to make sure our activities are extremely fun and well organised.

Swimming Lessons starting next week.

Swimming lessons will begin on Monday 16th March through to 20th March. The students will leave school at 12:30pm and travel to Kilcoy by bus. The lessons will be from 1:00pm to 2:00pm. Students will return to school before 3:00pm.

⇒ Cost per student for entry into the pool each day is $2.60. Please make sure your child has the correct money (preferably in a sealed envelope with their name on it) each day.
⇒ Check that your child has their swimming shirt and togs, goggles, towel and sunscreen. Ensure all items are marked to avoid clothing being lost. If you have any concerns about your child participating in the swimming program please contact the school office on 54 235 117. (Kilcoy Pool have trained swimming instructors & lifeguards.)

School Photos—18th March

Make sure your photo orders are returned to school on the day the school photos are being taken. If you need extra order forms please see Narelle in the school office.

Swimming Carnival

Thank you to those parents who are helping with swimming and also transporting to our swimming carnival. I am looking forward to a fantastic carnival and love that our students have been practising their war cries.

Kay Rye

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**OUR SCHOOL VALUES**

* BE SAFE   * BE RESPONSIBLE   * BE RESPECTFUL   * BE RESILIENT

Office hours are:

Monday 8am to 11am; Tuesday 8am to 1pm; Wednesday 8am to 2pm;
Thursday 8am to 1pm & Friday 9am to 11am
Senior Classroom News
I’d like to welcome 3 new students to the senior room - William, Ella and Emily. We are now sitting on 20 students, thank goodness we have the space!!
It has been another busy week in the senior room. Students have been working hard and have been again achieving great results in their Friday spelling tests. Well done again to the grade 3 students - 100% handed in homework!!
Student of the week in our room: Mitch, Jacob and Jessika. Well done to these students!
As the term wraps up our class will be busy completing assessment tasks. Please support your child by making sure they have a good night sleep and have a good food to eat.
The year 3 & 5’s have been involved in NAPLAN practice and I’m happy to report that especially today they were all "on fire" with excellent participation and answers. Let's keep that up.
Have a great weekend!
Kerry Derksen
Senior Teacher

**P&C NEWS**

Our next meetings will be on Wednesday 6th May and 17th June, at 2pm in the library. If you would like an emailed copy of the minutes, please send an email to ndeer3@eq.edu.au.

**Student Council Raffle**
The Student Council Raffle has started. Tickets are available at school.

**Friday Night Raffles**
Just a few weeks left of the Friday Night Raffles at the Harlin Hotel. Please consider supporting the raffle by popping in and buying a ticket.

**Yabby Races**
This year, the Yabby Races will be held on Saturday 28th March. Linville SS and Harlin SS provide a BBQ at this event. Linville are organising the BBQ this year, and Harlin need to provide 4 or 5 helpers for the evening. We've had heaps of volunteers. Thank you to Steve Beacham, Amanda Cox, Helen & Dave Golinski, Jody & Monica Robinson and Angela & Geoff Hose and for volunteering. If you are free that night, please go along and join in the fun. It's always a great night!

**Catering Job**
We have agreed to cater a Rogaine event to be held at Somerset Dam on Saturday 25th April (dinner) and Sunday 26th April (lunch). This will be the major fundraiser for term 2. We will need donations of home-cooked food and some people to help serve. Please keep the date in mind.
This Rogaine is different to the last one we did, in that the meal is at the end of each competition, and not overnight. This will make catering a little easier. If you would like to be part of the organising group, please contact Jacinta or Ngaio.

**DATE CLAIMER:** Market Day Sunday 30th August 2015

Ngaio
P&C Secretary

**STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS**

**Cheeseboard Raffle**
The Student Council is raffling a great cheese board that Mitchell donated. He didn't just donate it, he made it as well! The prize for the raffle is Mitchell's cheese board, a set of three cheese knives and some yummy fancy cheese.
Tickets cost $1 each or 6 for $5. We are going to draw it on Wednesday 1st April (no joke!).
Books of tickets are ready to take home or tickets can be bought from us at school.

Don't forget - Crazy Hair Day!!

Alex H (Student Council President)
Junior Class News
Wow our students have worked extremely well on a character analysis from our book The Dog on the Tucker-box. The writing is amazing and I am very impressed with their enthusiasm and the quality of work. Thank you to all who have supplied boxes for our shops—as we are continuing with money through next term please keep sending in any items that are useful for students to practise using money and giving change.
Kay & Sue
Junior Class Teacher/s

HARLIN SS/LINVILLE SS CROSS COUNTRY DAY

HOORAY—HARLIN SS WON THE CROSS COUNTRY!!
Positive Behaviour for Learning

At Harlin
We are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Resilient

Being responsible in the classroom!

- Complete set tasks to the best of your ability
- Be neat in your bookwork
- Have all the equipment you need
- Remember your log on and passwords
- Remember your homework

Students receiving GOTCHAs last week for demonstrating positive school behaviours:

Tom, Abigail C, Abagale A, Dusty

Next week’s rule of the week:

Being respectful – using active listening
Esk & District Cricket Club
Esk & District Cricket club would like to thank The ARDNOX Group for their sponsorship of the club. The ARDNOX group is the biggest earth-moving company in the Brisbane Valley and Somerset region based in Harlin and are specialists in road building especially gravel roads, flood ways and culverts. Through their generosity the team and coaches now have club shirts and hats. We looked like a team at last.

Craig Eastment, ARDNOX Managing Director and Construction Director presented the boys with their new sporting outfits at McConnel Park on Saturday, 27 February where the team were playing their final game for the season against Hatton Vale/Mulgowie before the finals. Craig said that ARDNOX has always been supportive of local clubs and schools, for example ARDNOX, as donated to four local schools especially to their special needs departments and believe that supporting local youth means supporting our future.

ARDNOX Sponsorship - A local business supporting the regional community.

Commumity Notices

Toogoolawah Pictures
Sat., 14th March
‘Kingsman Secret Service’ ma
Doors: 7pm Movie: 7.30 – 9.55pm

Sat., 21st March
‘Project Almanac’ in
Child to High School: $6
Adult: $8 Family: $25
Snack Bar. Hot Dogs & Pop Corn
Alexandra Hall, T’wah
Enquiries: 0438149954