To the Parents and Community of Harlin State School,

Building Update

Today I met with a number of people involved with the removal of and set up of our new building at Harlin. This is a very exciting time for our school and at this stage we are hoping for the building to arrive before the end of term and then it will take around 4 weeks to get it up to a workable area. Definitely in Term 3 we will be utilising this recycled space. To meet safety standards this area will be roped off during construction period.

SWPBS

A number of staff attended Day 2 training workshop at Kingaroy yesterday and we are becoming more familiar with Roles and responsibilities of becoming an SWPBS school.

Yesterday was Under 8’s day and I want to congratulate our Harlin Students on their excellent behaviour. Thankyou to all of our parents who joined in the fun at Toogoolawah State School. This annual event is very popular and our young students always have a great time.

After Under 8s day some of our prep students made Edible Necklaces for entry into the Toogoolawah Show. Thankyou to our Necklace Queen - Ngaio for your time with this. Our remaining students will have the opportunity to complete this activity this week. Juniors will also be decorating cupcakes again this year.

I am very impressed with the effort our children have put in with Auskick over the last couple of weeks. It is wonderful to see our students learning new skills and practising them in their own time. Well done and Keep up that winning attitude.

Our students never cease to amaze me and this week I am glad to congratulate Emma Little and Amber Williams on their recent sporting achievements. Both girls competed last Saturday at the Goodna & Districts Gymnastics Club. Emma came 1st in beam and floor, 5th in Bar and 4th in vault. Amber came 5th in Beam and 7th in vault and 8th in floor. Great work and Well done to you both and Fabulous effort Emma getting 1st overall.

All of our students will be putting art and craft work into the Toogoolawah show this year. Please make sure you stop by and have a look at what we have entered this year—some very colourful pieces.

Thankyou to parents who made interview times for parent/ teacher discussions. Miss Derksen and myself still have a few spaces to fill if you require an interview. Please call Narelle in the office if you require a time.

Athletics Day at Harlin SS

Please do not forget that Harlin/Linville Field events on 5th June. All of our students are expected to attend and parents/ carers are more than welcome to join us for the day.

Harlin State School will host the first of the two day Athletics Events. The first day (Thursday 5th June) will be the field events at Harlin State School. The second day will be track events at Linville State School on Friday 20th June. Events will start at approx. 9.00am. Please see the attached tuckshop form for Thursday 5th June.

Extra Parents NEEDED. If you can help with tuckshop on the 5th June please contact Trish Ashton or the school office.

If there is any reason your child cannot participate in the athletics days please contact the school principal.

There are a few forms attached to this newsletter that need to be returned by next week. Please return these forms each in a separate envelope with the money.

Regards
Kay Rye
Next meeting Wednesday 18th June, 6pm

**WORKING BEE:** Sunday June 15th. We have a list of gardening jobs, some whipper-snipping to do and some gutters to clear. Thank you to those families who have offered to come along with their concrete washers to clean the paths and the tennis courts. We are looking for some people with whipper-snippers to knock down some of the woody weeds near the fences. If you can help, please let the school know.

**PIE DRIVE:** We will be holding a pie drive this term and forms should have arrived home with last week’s newsletter. We are trying a different bakery this year, Simply Pies from Kunda Park. The pies are larger (900 gm rather than 600 gm), but the pricing is similar giving better value for money. Extra forms are available at the school office. Forms will be due back by Friday 13th June. Delivery will be Wednesday 25th June.

**VETERAN’S CAR/BIKE RALLY:** Thank you to those families who contacted us to let us know whether they could help with this. We are able to go ahead with this fundraiser, so we will be holding a Morning Tea on Sunday 29th June. More information will follow next week.

**HARLIN MARKETS DATE CLAIMER:** We have set the date of our annual Market Day for Saturday October 25th.

**MEETING DATE THIS TERM:** 18th June NB: Time changed to 6pm for winter. Not everyone can get to the meetings, so if you would like a copy of the minutes emailed to you, please email Ngaio at ndeer3@eq.edu.au

From the Senior Class

Another busy week for us this week. Students going with Esk SS to Canberra had another visit with them and have come back really excited about their up-coming camp. Some year 4 students went with the junior room to under 8’s day at Toogoolawah Primary, they enjoyed helping out down there.

Mrs Bull has been working on analysing comics in English this week. Students have been learning about what an ethical dilemma is. They will be creating a comic strip with an ethical dilemma next week. This will be a part of their English and art assessment.

Students in year 3 and 4 have been revisiting rounding in maths. The 5, 6 and 7’s have been revisiting factors and division rules in maths.

Next week will be a full on week, we have geography and science assessment items to complete, as well as day one of sports day.

Have a good weekend
Kerry Derksen

Amber Williams & Emma Little with their ribbons & trophy they won at Gymnastics. Congratulations girls!
On Wednesday, the Juniors were pleased to welcome Mr Graham Williams into their classroom. In Science, the class has been looking at changes in our local landscape. As a past student of Harlin State School, Mr Williams was able to tell the children of the many changes to both the School and the township. We felt very lucky because the children in those days didn’t have a beautiful library like we have today. We were surprised to hear Harlin once had a Butcher Shop, a General Store which sold fuel and a Railway Station.

The children were enthralled when Mr Williams told them about a visiting Circus and how the animals, especially the elephants came walking down the road into town. He and his school mates were very excited as they ran to the fence to witness this amazing site. At other times they ran to the front fence when they heard the bells on the pack horses leading mobs of cattle, which were being driven down the street on their way to market. There were no large trucks in those days to transport the cattle.

The class found it interesting that the children either walked, rode their bikes or horses to school. The school oval was then known as the ‘horse paddock’. The games the children played then we discovered were similar to some of the games we play now. There was a tennis court at the school. We all thought it was funny when we heard the children played cricket on a pitch where the roadway and car park is now! We also discovered the children learnt to swim in the waterholes in the creek behind the school. This is so different to the pool where Harlin children now learn to swim.

Thank you Mr Williams for your insight into how Harlin was in the past, compared to what we experience today. We really enjoyed your talk.

Mrs Hallas & the Junior Class