To the Parents and Community of Harlin State School,

TOUCH FOOTBALL STARTS THIS FRIDAY (15 APRIL), 3:30PM TO 5PM AT TOOGOOLAWAH STATE SCHOOL OVAL. THIS IS FOR THOSE CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS SIGNED THEM UP FOR THE TOUCH FOOTBALL /LITTLE ATHLETICS PROGRAM WHICH IS BEING ORGANISED BY THE SOMERSET REGIONAL COUNCIL. NB: TOUCH FOOTBALL PROGRAM RUNS IN TERM 2 AND LITTLE ATHLETICS STARTS IN TERM 3.

Tanduringie Cross Country:
When: TOMORROW 14 April leaving at 8am
Travel: With parents or on the Williams’ bus if we have been notified otherwise.
Bring: Hat, water, running shoes, water, sunscreen, HAT
IMPORTANT: Students who usually catch the late school bus will need to find an alternative way to travel to school so they make it on time for the Williams’ bus to leave at 8am. We will not be waiting for the late bus to arrive before we leave. ALL students are to meet at the Harlin SS tent at Tanduringie SS to receive their names tags and further instructions.

School opinion survey! Coming soon! Please participate where you can.

I have requested an update from DET DDSW Infrastructure on where we are with extra shade structures for our school (which will be funded largely by the Harlin P&C). I am awaiting a response and wish to remind parents about sun safety. Students at Harlin can not play outside if they do not have their hats, and we do not share or borrow hats at Harlin to avoid the spread of head lice. The school uniform is sun safe but it is desirable for students to have sunscreen applied at home, for school. On days such as cross country and swimming carnivals the school always takes sunscreen and encourages the students to apply it regularly. Thank you for considering Sun Safety for your children.

Parents and students will notice some new gates around the school. The front gate has now been changed to a pool latch gate to keep our younger students and the younger siblings who visit the school safe. Older students are able to reach the gate latch. At the residence there will also be a car gate installed both sides of the backyard to give vehicles access to the playground where required.

Tuckshop order forms for term 2 are attached to the newsletter. Please note that all of the recipes are green excluding the last week which we will be using up existing stock this is in line with Smart Choices, the Queensland school tuckshop governing body.

We are once again hearing great positive comments in the wider community about our great little school. The staff at Harlin are all working extremely hard to deliver the best education to your children in a safe and supportive environment in which children’s abilities are catered for. Thank you to my amazing staff and the wonderful parents who keep spreading the good word!

Please keep Mrs Blacklock and her family in your thoughts this week as her husband is quite ill. We wish him a speedy recovery. Finally I would like to announce that Mrs Skippen will be having a baby in late October. We are very excited and I am also terrified. We will be outnumbered!

Until next time
Andrew Skippen
Principal Harlin SS

Linguistics/THRASS word of the week:
Long monophthong (long vowel): A vowel sound made that is elongated, where the mouth does not alter the sound. E.g. ‘e’ like Toogoolawah

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
ACTUAL: 95.1%
TARGET: 95%

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 1pm; Thursday 8am to 1pm (Payments by 1pm on Tues, Wed, & Thurs)
Welcome to Term2! I hope everyone had a nice and relaxing time over the Easter break. The Harlin P&C will be back for their next meeting on 20th April, please show your support by coming down and see what we’re all about.

This term the P&C are hoping to organise some working bee days to remove and replace the sandpit sand, the old bath tubs down the back as well as some smaller projects to boost the tidiness and presentation of our little school.

Discussion continues around the shade structure for the tennis court and we are pleased to say that our grant money has been extended to October 2016.

The P&C president has come up with an ideas form for parents to fill out with to help encourage fundraising events for the school. I have included this to the back of the newsletter. Please have a look and pass on your ideas!

Next meeting 20th April 2pm Harlin SS

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John Annan
P&C Secretary

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From the 4/6 Class

Thea, Luke and Ashleigh have nearly completed their project of building a model cruise ship. They have named the ship “Fluffy Pineapple Cruises”. They are having fun building this and according to Ashleigh they are BFF (Best Friends Forever). The ship was built out of MAB blocks. Young minds using their imagination at Harlin SS!