To the Parents and Community of Harlin State School,

Changes to newsletter
Next term we will be having a slight change to the newsletter routine. We will still send the newsletter home weekly, however on odd weeks the newsletter will be titled ‘Important Dates and Messages’. This will be a one page memo. On even weeks the full newsletter will be sent home, including the students of week and GOTCHA recipients for the fortnight, and classroom / principals/ P&C reports. The last newsletter for this term will be sent home on Thursday 10 September.

Market Day
What a fantastic effort from our P&C President Jacinta and the rest of the P&C team and parent body. I brought my family along and my little boys had a lovely time (although I did have to talk Fletcher out of getting ‘Just Red’ from the wonderful face painters!). The senior students (and their parent helpers) also did a great job on their games and made a heap of extra money to go towards Senior Camp 2015. A BIG THANK YOU to our P&C, students, parent helpers, stall holders and the Harlin staff that helped run and organise the day.

Games week
Miss Derksen and her class are SUPERSTARS! The students did an excellent job with their games and ended up raising over $500 which will go towards the costs for Senior Camp, which has subsidised the cost for families. Great job kids! Miss Derksen, you are a TOP TEACHER!

Smart Choices
Please note that as a state school we have an obligation to meet the guidelines within the ‘Smart Choices’ policy. A flier with information on this is attached to this newsletter. We DO love to celebrate birthdays and it is acceptable to bring a cake to share on these special occasions. However, as a school we will not be celebrating special events with lollies, treats, ice blocks etc more than twice a term. We have now used our two ‘Red Events’ for the term. See Mr Skippen with any questions.

A suggestion was made be a parent last week that we let parents and students know of a movie called “That Sugar Film”. This is something we may try to work into our school Health & Physical Education program later in the year.

Behaviour incidents
Last week we had a major behaviour incident at the school and as a result I had a conversation with the students to let them know about avoiding ‘Chinese Whispers’ within the school and community. I am also very aware of the need to meet confidentiality requirements. Any questions about this can be directed to Mr Skippen, however please understand that any information regarding students is strictly confidential.

Book Packs
I am pleased to announce that for 2016 we will be accessing our student book packs through Cressbrook News. More info to come.

Sporting equipment
Thank you to Ms Perry for auditing our sports equipment. I will be placing an order this week with our ‘Sporting Schools’ funding.

Benarkin to Linville Bike Ride
The annual bike ride is coming up in the last week of term. I have organised for our younger students who will not be attending the bike ride to attend Linville State School for an excursion. During this time the students will take part in activities with the junior students from Linville. Thanks to the principal and teachers at Linville for working with us! Miss Eb will be attending Linville as the Harlin helper on the day. Thank you to Ms Perry and Sharelle for suggesting this idea!

BPoint
Please note that BPoint is now the preferred form of payment for all state schools. See a flier attached to this newsletter which outlines the process. This can be done from home or school, using a computer or mobile device. Speak to Mrs Maller with any queries.

Stony Arts Festival—16 September
The Story Arts Festival is coming up. See below:
9:45-10:45 Sally Henrich, Esk State School Hall
11:15-12:15 Oliver Phommavanh, Civic Centre
1:10-2:10 Andrew Plant, Esk Library

Students will be travelling by bus to Esk and to the various venues. The bus will leave Harlin SS at 9am and return before 3pm. Students need to bring a packed morning tea and lunch, water bottle and hat. Parents, if you do not wish your child to participate in this event please contact the school.

Finally, a warm welcome to our new students this week. What a great start to your time at your new GREAT SCHOOL.

Happy Father’s Day to all the Dads!

Until next week
Andrew Skippen A/Principal Harlin SS

**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 3pm ; Thursday 8am to 1pm

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET - 95% CURRENTLY AT 94.7%**
From the Junior Room

The Juniors have finished their Information Reports for the term. We finished with an independent report to show what the students could complete on their own. Great job kiddies!

In maths we're back to looking at place value in two and three digit numbers. The year 2s have made a 1000 chart which is hanging in the room and are working on reading, writing and modelling 3 digit numbers. The year 1s are using unifix cubes and a place value chart to record and model 2 digit numbers. We have very clever students in here!

Parents are very welcome to come into the classroom and see our new goals and data wall. The data wall is used for the kids to celebrate their improvements in reading, and the goals are designed to explicitly state what students can improve on, and are going to be regularly shared with parents. Feel free to come and have a look before or after school.

Mrs Hallas is on long service leave until the end of the term, and Mrs Tracey Robinson will be replacing her on the usual Wednesday. Welcome to our classroom Tracey.

Mrs Wendt has decided to give up her hours on Fridays. Mrs Lynch will be the permanent prep teacher aide on a Friday starting next week. Thank you to Mrs Wendt for all of her hard work, and thanks to Mrs Lynch for picking up the extra day.

Thank you for your ongoing support this term. Things are always busy for teaching principals, and I hope I am not being perceived as ‘too busy’ for a chat. If ever you would like to see me regarding your child’s progress in P-2 then please come and take me away from whatever else I am doing! I am very happy to chat!

Mr Skippen

P&C NEWS

Fathers' Day Stall: TOMORROW!! Gifts $5 9am Friday 4th September. Enquiries to Trish Ashton

Market Day: What a fantastic day! Even the weather smiled upon us. Thank you to everyone who helped out. Special Thanks to Jacinta Murray who coordinated the whole thing. Well done!

Catering Job: 17th October. We'll need helpers and bakers. If you can help, please contact Jacinta 0427281700

Bush Dance: Some volunteers needed to help with the BBQ at the Bush Dance this weekend. If you can help, please contact Mrs Kusay through the school.

Date Claimer: Harlin Yabby Races 10th October 2015

Woolworths Earn & Learn: has started. If you, family or friends shop at Woolworths, please collect the stickers to help us. Stickers may be left at the office.

Next meeting date: Wednesday 9th September at 2 pm in the library

Ngaio (P&C Secretary)
From the Senior room

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the Senior Class, we would like to thank you all for your help and support with our Business Unit.

We would like to say a very special thank you to Andrea, Helen, Jacinta, Bec, Julie and Colleen for their generous donation of prizes and equipment.

Without the help from Andrea, Tamara, Jodi, Jacinta, Bec and Colleen our games would not have been set up on time. Thank you to the mums who were in charge of money and tickets.

Running our own business wasn’t easy but it was fun! We all learnt to negotiate, be a part of a team, accept help and be organised.

We learnt all about money. We had to spend money wisely, count money, give change, work out our income and calculate profit and loss.

The profit from all of our carnival games was $538.30.

The Senior Class are looking forward to the Business Unit next year…..and going on camp in November!

Thank you all once again,
From the Senior Class

PS sorry if we missed any parents in our thank you!

Have a great week-end
Kerry Derksen

REMINDER TO THE SENIOR CLASS
You need a torch for Thursday’s Science lesson with Ms Perry.

Cricket Sign-on Day
Thursday 10th and 17th September, 2015
3.15 pm to 4pm
At McConnel Park, Toogoolawah
Come and have a fun game of cricket
All ability levels welcome- Years 10 to 16 (girls and boys)
Every junior receives a gift
All equipment provided

Text/contact Hilary Benson 0419028154
Every participant goes into the draw for a major prize!

Esk & District Cricket Club will be running the MILO in2CRICKET program each Friday afternoon from 3.15 to 4.15 at Esk State school beginning on Friday 4 September, 2015
Congratulations to the Students of the Week
Senior Class: Thomas & Mylie
Junior Class: Evie & Dusty

The last AFL Auskick session was held yesterday. The students have really enjoyed the program and looking forward to next year. We had a visit from Bernie, the Brisbane Lions mascot, who participated in the final session.
At Harlin we are: Safe Respectful
Responsible Resilient

Being respectful - using active listening

⇒ Look at the speaker
⇒ Hands still
⇒ Ask questions
⇒ Ignore other distractions
⇒ Sit still

Next week’s rule of the week:
Being resilient – being a problem solver and make your own fun

Students receiving GOTCHAs last week for demonstrating positive school behaviours:

TBA next week