To the Parents and Community of Harlin State School,

Thank you to the large number of parents who came along to the Sports Carnival at Cooyar last week. Your attendance was a huge support to your own children and the school. Harlin State School students displayed fantastic behaviour throughout the day. Miss Seccombe from Cooyar commented on one of our students in particular to say how well mannered he was. Well done kids and great effort on the day!

A big congratulations to the boys who won or were runner up age champion. A great effort and an outcome for each of you to be proud of.

We also have had 13 children from Harlin nominated to attend the district carnival. Wow! Congratulations to those students. Permission forms will be coming home in the very near future. Please note that parents will be required to organise travel and supervision for their child/ren on the day. No Harlin State School staff will be attending.

Toogoolawah State High School Principal Mrs Stacey Beu and some of her leadership team will be joining us at Harlin on 5 August at 2pm for a special early parade. I encourage all parents of children who will be transitioning to high school next year to be in attendance and meet Mrs Beu and the team.

The School Opinion Survey is open! Families received their note last week. So far we have had 6 families complete the survey. Thank you very much to these families, however a sample of 6 responses will not be sufficient for myself and the Harlin State School staff to develop a clear understanding of how we are perceived in the school community, and the opinion of the parents. I strongly encourage all families to complete the survey. It is not very time consuming, but a very worthwhile exercise in support of our wonderful school.

Please find attached to this newsletter a new school policy, endorsed by the Harlin State School P&C on 13 July 2016. This is a ‘Refund Policy’. Please note, that NO CHANGE has been made to the charging of fees whatsoever. Parents do not need to expect any unwelcome surprises. Please see me directly if you have any concerns or questions.

This week I was lucky enough to spend some time with the Prep/1 students. What clever little bunnies! It was great to be in the room experiencing the routines that Mrs Doherty and the teacher aides have put in place for the students.

We had a visit from the Curriculum, Pedagogy and Learning project officer this week, who is working with our staff to further improve reading programs in classrooms. This has been very worthwhile and we thank the DDSW CPL team for their support. I have also booked in our full day ‘Teaching Writing’, which I attended myself last term and it’s very worthwhile. We are constantly building our capabilities at Harlin State School!

Please find below the online pathway to our School Review Executive Summary. I encourage all parents to have a look and see just how well we did. Feel free to share this around the broader community.

Linguistics knowledge for parents

Often it’s the longest words that can be easiest to spell. For example in ‘Aboriginal’ each letter is a graph (single letter spelling choice) and when we break it into syllables it’s super easy to spell! A/bo/rig/i/nal.

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Fun Run

Thankyou to everyone for the fantastic helped received on the day of the Fun Run. The day was a great success students had a great day and left school with big smiles on their faces.

To the mums who donated their time a great BIG THANKYOU Lin Lynch
From the P/1 Class

I can’t believe we are already in Term 3 of the school year! I hope you had an enjoyable break.
We have had a new member join our class this term. Welcome Connor!

This week, in Science, Prep have been investigating the weather and how the weather affects what people wear and do. I believe we have some budding weather reporters in the making!
The Year 1 students are learning about features of different landscapes, including the sky, and changes that occur in the landscape and sky from day to night. Discussion at home about what they are learning in class will greatly enhance students’ learning. Particularly important for learning in this unit is observation of the landscape and sky at night, and the weather.

If possible, please take your child outside some evenings to observe the differences that appear in the landscape, e.g. darkness, lack of colour, nocturnal animals, artificial lighting, moon, stars. Also point out the changing shape of the moon over time.

Discussion about changes in the weather and its effect on the clothes you wear and your daily activities will also be beneficial, as will listening to and viewing radio and television weather reports.

I trust that you will enjoy these discussions and activities as much as your child will.

Prep and Year 1 are making steady progress learning their high frequency words.

I would really appreciate any donations of old rubric cubes if anyone has them.

Until next time
Meryl Doherty
Welcome to Term 3. Our first meeting of the term was held last Wednesday at the school.

A date has yet to be fixed for the school working bee, but we are looking at Saturday 27th August. Replacement sand for the sandpit has been kindly donated by Karreman Quarries so we will need bodies to help remove the old sand and put in the new. Other major items on the working bee agenda is the clean-up of the old bathtubs down the back and the placement of some pavers along the walkway where some rocks have been removed.

The fundraising committee are in the process of setting up a car rally scavenger hunt looking to be held on the 11th September. We have got some enthusiastic sponsors already lined up and if all goes to plan it will be a very big event that should raise some very healthy funds for the school. P&C will be also holding a BBQ on the day starting off with breakfast before the scavenger hunt and lunch after the race. Family games will also be part of the fun with three-legged races, tug-o-war etc. We are still looking for more sponsors for the event so if you could support us in some way it would be much appreciated! More information coming soon!!

The next P&C meeting is to be held on Wednesday 24th August 2pm at the school.

John Annand (Secretary)

Mrs Williams will be putting in special orders for uniforms soon. Your orders must be in by 26/7/16 (Contact Tamara on 54231568)

Toogoolawah PICTURES

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Alexandra Hall Bookings Welcome
Doors: 7 pm Movie: 7.30 - 10.15 pm
From the Year 2/3 Class

What a great start to the term. With a new student in our class we are all a little excited! We've been reading more Roald Dahl (this time Matilda) and the kids are so motivated to read! It's wonderful to see.

We are studying a bit of poetry this term. Mostly funny poems! We looked at some nonsense poems this week which the children greatly enjoyed. We have been talking about rhyme, repetition, stanzas and lines when analysing poetry.

History is also well underway, and Geography is next. Next week we will have Mrs Preston in our class, continuing for 3 weeks in total. Mrs Preston is a university student completing her Prac. It will be great to have another pair of hands in the room for a little while and we hope Mrs Preston enjoys her time with us at Harlin in 2/3.

Andrew Skippen

From the Year 4,5,6 Class

Welcome back to everyone to an already full on term 3! Here's an update of what's going on over the next few weeks...

English: reading, interpreting and responding to poetry, mainly humorous poems. Students will also get the chance to write their own poems as well.

Maths: last week both maths groups looked at money, this week it's multiplication, next week fractions and division. These tasks can be found on Mathletics!

Geography: our unit that we are working on during the first part of term 3 is all about natural resources and sustainability.

Technology: students will be making a storage container out of re-useable items at home....fits in really nicely with the idea of sustainability and using resources wisely.

It was great to see all the kids happy to see me after such a long time off, but it is now back to the regular Miss Derksen routine!

Have a great week

Kerry Derksen

The Kangaroo from Uluru
- By Jacob Crawford
Out in the playground
I met a kangaroo
She said she was from Canada
But she was really from Uluru

The Fat Cat -
By William Ruff
Out in the playground
I met a cat that was fat
She said "I need some food"
And I believed that

Dinosaur -
By Caleb O'Neil
Out in the playground
I met a dinosaur
He said "I can't talk"
But I can roar

SENIOR POETRY
Congratulations
Students of the Week
Week 1
Bethany, Emma, Charlie F, William & Jack

GOTCHAS
Week 1
Congratulations
Abby F, Charlie F, Patrick, Bryce, Ciar, & Abigail

Congratulations
Charlie H, Rhanni, Abagale A, Angus
who received end of term movie passes

Congratulations
Charlie H, Angus
who received MATHLETICS AWARDS
SMALL SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY AT COOYAR SS
Congratulations to Luke (11yr old Boys Age Champion Runner-up),
Mitchell Watson (10yr old Boys Age Champion),
Haden (11yr old Boys Age Champion)