



GYMPIE CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL

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THURSDAY'S TIDINGS

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Turning young children into lifelong learners...

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Well another term done! Full of action, adventure, activity and learning. Thank you for your support and contribution to it. We appreciate your involvement.

On behalf of the staff and myself, we wish you a happy and healthy break. Stay safe on the roads if you are travelling. Everyone seems to want to get where they want to go first and sadly that means that drivers stop thinking. We trust that the Easter Bunny comes to all of you and you enjoy special time with family as well as your chocolate and candy treats. Stay Safe!

Warmest Wishes,
Sandra and all the Central State School Staff.

TERM 1 HIGHLIGHTS

Term 1 Highlights, as listed by the staff at a recent meeting, include:

- Badge Presentation Ceremony
- New room for Year 7
- Andy Troy teaching Instrumental Music.
- Terry Portas doing grounds care each Monday.
- General cleaning and janitor work excellent.
- New P and C Executive
- Laptops for Teachers
- H.O.C. and Learning Support for Literacy and NAPLAN.
- A 'New Look' Library. Thank you Ms Green.
- Adam Piechocinski our new strings teacher. Kids are engaged and progressing well.
- 7W has new computers from the P and C. Thank you!
- All Classrooms have classroom requisites well supplied. Thank you!
- Meet the Teacher night worked well.
- Shelley Reen attended Central to do hockey workshops (and we got in the paper!) Thank you Shelley!!
- \$560 worth of sporting gear was purchased.
- Grant money for buildings!
- Year 4-7 teachers attended Literacy Training.

- Year 5 Camp
- Year 7 Camp
- Year 4W Excursion to the Planetarium
- Life Education visit
- Deadly Australians visit
- New Staff came to Central!
- Interschool Sport
- Wonderful Librarian with new ideas.
- Classes settling well into routines and really working well together.
- Prep joins the lower school for parade in the lower school.
- All junior students involved in the choir.
- Year 2 visited the Gympie Regional Art Gallery.
- Year 2 are growing plants in their classroom.
- A very successful Book Fair, earning a large amount of books for the school library.
- Extra Teacher Aide hours to help in the first three weeks.
- Prep students settle into the school environment.

Can you help us add to our list? Have we forgotten anything at all? We'd love to have you help add to our list!!

UPCOMING EVENTS—TERM 1

Friday, 10 April	GOOD FRIDAY—Public Holiday
Monday, 20 April	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday, 21 April	School resumes

LIBRARY NEWS

Lunchtimes

I was looking around the library at lunch time this week and I am incredibly impressed with the way it is being used in break time – students are using computers, playing games, doing puzzles, colouring in, chatting and of course reading. Having the library open at lunchtime provides a quiet, cool and comfortable place for students to gather and have some time out or catch up on work. Students are acting responsibly and helping each other out, it is wonderful to see!!

Holiday Borrowing

Don't forget to keep reading over the holidays and to visit the local town library for a reading 'top up'. Next term I would like to create some special rewards for classes completing reading logs and those with excellent borrowing and returning records – so now is a great time to start recording all of the holiday reading you are doing.

Happy Holidays

I would like to wish everyone a **Happy Easter** and a safe, enjoyable and relaxing break. My first term at Central has been fun and busy and I have many ideas for our wonderful library next term.

Happy reading,
Emma Green

PREP

Look	inside
our	world

On Monday, our Prep opened the doors for its VIP parents. They were invited to stay until Morning Tea to see first hand how clever their 'Prepper' is and to get a glimpse of a typical day in Prep. It is the first year I have done this and speaking to the mums and dads, and some grandparents who attended the morning session, it was indeed a valuable experience. Many parents were pleasantly surprised by the small groups and the teaching and learning activities; seeing how invaluable our teacher aide is, while all were delighted by the opportunity to see just what Prep is all about.

Thank you to our VIP's for their kind regard and interest. Perhaps we need another VIP day at the end of term 2?

Happy Easter
Sue Curran



VIOLIN TUITION

Private violin tuition
Shared lessons available
Contact: Candice Patrick
Candiceviolin@tpg.com.au
0423759623

EASTER HOLIDAY JUNIOR TENNIS FUN TOURNAMENT



Friday 17th April
The Reg English Memorial Tennis Centre
8.30am until 12.30pm
\$20 / player includes morning tea & lunch
Family discounts apply
Junior Players from beginner to advanced
Members & non-members welcome
Entries close 10am Thursday 16th April
Contact Matt Watkins 0417 070 129

Gympie Junior Devils Skills Clinic

Learn the skills of Rugby League
while having some holiday fun

Jack Stokes Oval, Gympie Junior League
Grounds, Smith Road, Monkland
Wednesday 15th of April
4:00pm to 6:00pm



Special guest appearance from
Brisbane Bronco Under 20 Players

FREE Admission to all Boys & Girls
Non league players are encouraged to participate

Did you know...??

- ❖ *Teeth are the only thing of the human body that can't repair themselves.*
 - ❖ *A quarter of the bones in your body are in your feet.*
 - ❖ *The tongue is the fastest healing part of the body.*
 - ❖ *Strawberries contain more vitamin c than oranges.*
- ❖ *A one day weather forecast requires about 10 billion maths calculations.*
- ❖ *The bird that lays the largest egg in relation to its own size is the kiwi.*
- ❖ *The average person spends two years on the phone in his/her lifetime.*
 - ❖ *August has the highest percentage of births.*

TUCKSHOP TALK



Hello Everyone,

Yr 7s & 5s had very wet camps last week but all reports have been fantastic.

Looks like the wet weather is here to stay for a while, so whatever you are planning over the Easter Holidays - enjoy. I plan on reading a couple of books - I know I'll enjoy my break.

*See you all after the holidays -
Bye 'til then...*

Lesley

Grocery Ideas

- Saos / Jatz
- 2 Minute Noodles
- Tinned Beetroot/Pineapple
- Lettuce / Tomatoes
- Fruit
- Alfoil

**SCHOOL
RESUMES
TUESDAY
21/04/09**

SPECIALS

Wednesday ONLY

- Nachos -
Large \$3.00
Small \$1.00

ROSTER

FRIDAY, 10 April

GOOD FRIDAY

MONDAY, 20 April

PUPIL FREE DAY

WEDNESDAY, 22 April

Carly Hextall

GROCERIES

- Leanne Sullivan
- Colleen Lilley
- Adielle Blok

FRIDAY, 24 April

- Vicki Hutley
- Stephanie Butler

GROCERIES

- Vaine Areora
- Ainsley Butler
- Sharon Collins

