SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 3/4
August
11th August- EKKA HOLIDAY. NO SCHOOL!
13th/ 15th Fassifern District Athletics Carnival- Select Students.
27th August Boonah SHS– Enrolment Meeting 3.30- 6.30

September
17th September- Under 8's Day Kalbar SS. P12 attending.
19th September- Soccer/ Netball Carnival Years 4-7

October
October 11th TRIVIA NIGHT- SAVE THE DATE!
ART AUCTION- Date to be confirmed.

News from the Principal

School Opinion Survey- EXTENDED TIL FRIDAY!
Please get online and have your say about our school. A survey letter with log in details was sent home last week. This year the survey is to be completed online. Details of how to participate are included in the letter. I would encourage all families to get online and have their say about our wonderful school. We are so proud of the efforts of our staff, students and community! The survey allows parents, staff and students to have their say so that we can make our school the best! Your feedback is valued and important!

Yours in Education
Christie Minns
Principal

PROJECT 600 – YEAR 4 MATHEMATICS

Our Year 4 students are participating in an online learning course in Mathematics this semester. Each Friday they get to work with an online teacher! We had our first session last week. It is a great opportunity for our Year 4 students. Below are some instructions to log in to the virtual classroom at home! Please have a look around with your child!

1. Go to www.elearn.eq.edu.au
2. You may be asked for your user name and password- The children use their MIS School Password.
3. Look to the right, find My Courses, click on the link to
4. PROJECT 600 – YEAR 4 NUMERACY 2014 – SOUTH EAST REGION
5. Once inside, click on the tab to the left hand side- there are plenty of options to look through.

FASSIFERN ATHLETICS CARNIVAL- DISTRICT SELECTION

Please ensure your child has returned their athletics carnival permission letter. Last week a program of events was also sent home with children. If you did not receive a program please come and see us. We have a lot of children attending the district athletics this year! Well done to our students. I would encourage all children to attend with their parents. If you are experiencing difficulty with getting your child to the event please let the school know.

ACTIVATING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE- READING STRATEGY!

Our comprehension focus for the last 2 weeks has been Activating Prior Knowledge. This means switching on what you already know about a topic.
Children have been practicing skimming and scanning a text before they read, looking at the text and visuals (TV) to think about what they already know. Good readers will be asking themselves these sorts of questions before they start reading a text.

- What do I already know about this topic?
- What have I read that seems similar to this text?
- Do I recognise the author’s name?
- What type of text/genre is this text – article, narrative, letter, poem?
- What sort of language features would I expect to find in this text?
- Based on my prior knowledge of __________, my question/s is/are __________.
- When I hear the word (or phrase) __________, it makes me think about __________.
- The illustrations tell me __________ about the text.

“Thinking about what you already know is useful because it gives you a base to build new knowledge and helps you to make connections with the text.”
Sheena Cameron 2009

Good readers also continuously check what they are reading by asking themselves these questions. Does it sound right? Does it make sense? Does it look right? If not they will re-read, making corrections.

### P12 NEWS

I learned a new reading strategy today! Ask me how Skippy Frog can help me read.

### INTERNET ACCESS AGREEMENT FORM

An internet access agreement form has been sent home with your child. Please ensure you sign and return it to school as soon as possible. On the form there is a place for students to sign as well. We will talk through what is on the form with all students and ask them to write their name. It is an audit requirement that we do this each year. Thank you for your understanding.

### 2/3/4 NEWS

#### Science in the Year 2/3/4 Class

Last Tuesday, the 2/3/4 did a science experiment; we made Rainbow Milk to learn more about our unit on Kitchen Science. Let us tell you what we did:

The first thing we did was to put full cream milk on the saucer, then we added one drop of food colouring per colour. We then added a tiny drop of washing up detergent. The colours mixed in the middle of the saucer and created beautiful rainbows. We watched the swirling currents and loved the way the colours mixed together. We love Science.

### 4/5/6/7 NEWS

Just a quick update- Over the last couple of weeks the children have been learning about data and probability in maths. We have been creating fair and unfair tests for probability and completing a range of graphs- dot, leaf and stem, column, line, picture… to name a few. We have been collecting data/ interpreting data / and organising data into a variety of forms.

In English we have been looking at comics and will be creating our own in the coming week!
ATTENDANCE- EVERY DAY COUNTS
Just a little reminder to ring, email or send a note along each time your child is absent. Our class teacher’s need to keep this information up to date.

If you are running late please make sure you pop into the office to sign your child in. Mrs Lutter (MTW) will give your child a LATE note. This will assist our classroom teachers to keep accurate records of the times children arrive. On Thursday/Friday please come and sign our late arrivals book in the office. Thanks for your support.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS FOR TERM 2!
Congratulations to Justin, Isabella and Zach for 100% attendance for term 2!

BOONAH SHS ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION
Enrolment night Wednesday 27 August only

Where: BSHS library
When: from 3:30pm to 6:30pm
What will happen: please bring your completed enrolment forms to the library & you will be directed to a table manned by our staff to have a short conversation about your forms. If you are unable to attend on the night, you could hand them in to the main office between the hours of 7:30am to 4pm daily or phone us on 54606111.

We look forward to assisting you & your child make a smooth transition to Boonah High.

HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

THURSDAYS @9.30 am

Bring a gold coin donation! $2.00
Playgroup is held on the Harrisville School Grounds. Everyone is welcome!
Koala Joey Program supports early literacy and numeracy development.
Come along and have some fun!

Don’t forget our school has a show holiday on Monday 11th August!
Students of the Week

Congratulations to Eila, Jessica, Lexie, Dominic, Kyla, Elizabeth and Isabella!

P&C NEWS

Next P&C Meeting … to be advised.

P&C FACEBOOK PAGE-
Our school P&C has a face book page. Go to-
https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=694704363884694

Absence Note

“Every Day Counts”

Dear ___________________,

My child ______________ was away on __/__/2014, __/__/2014, due to:

☐ sickness
☐ holiday
☐ family reasons
☐ other (please explain) ______________

Parent Signature_________________

Please return this note to your child’s classroom teacher. Please note all student absences must be explained. Alternatively please email your absence note to admin@harrisvilless.eq.edu.au

FASSIFERN GYMNASTICS CLUB OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 10TH AUGUST, 10AM – 4PM
7 CHURCH ST, BOONAH

SAUSAGE SIZZLE   FACE PAINTING   BAKE STALL   CARTWHEEL-A-THON HUGE MULTI DRAW
RAFFLE OPEN GYM SESSIONS   GYMNASTICS DISPLAYS

Ever wanted to try gymnastics? Our club will be open for you to enjoy watching and participating in gymnastics. Please call to register for the 3 different session times, or check out the Facebook event page: Fassifern Gymnastics Club Open Day to check out the details and register that way.

All enquiries:  Michelle  0414 415 236