Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### Student Leadership 2014

The process for selecting our student leaders has begun. The students are currently considering their nominations. Students who nominate do so under the following criteria: Be Respectful, Act Sensibly, Be Safe and Adherence to Personal Learning Goals. The student letters of application were due to me today. I’m looking forward to reading them over the weekend. The short listed students will then complete a leadership agreement before preparing a short speech to the upper school student body. The process is multi-layered and comprehensive to ensure that our leaders are able to fulfil their role next year. Good luck to all who will give their speeches next week.

### Remembrance Day

The school community paused for Remembrance Day on Tuesday. Our School Captains attended the Pine Rivers District RSL Sub Branch Commemorative Service and laid a wreath on behalf of the school. Here at Dakabin the classes gathered in the hall for a short service and the traditional minute’s silence.

### Celebration Evening

Plans are well underway for our second Celebration Evening to be held on Thursday 4th December. The aim of the evening is to share and celebrate the many successes of our students. Classes are preparing short presentations to showcase their work and talents. The school instrumental students will be performing. As well, Awards for Years 2-7 will be presented. These awards are to recognise the outstanding achievements of our students.

### Class Structures and Teacher Allocation

Plans for 2015 continue to be developed. Please let us know about plans and intentions if you are leaving our school. As we are growing in our enrolment numbers with new families arriving daily at the moment, our goal is to ensure that we have the most accurate class structure possible. A simple email to admin@dakabinss.eq.edu.au to let us know or a phone call to the office will help with this immensely.

### Swimming

Swimming for Years Prep to 3 began last week. Thanks to Mr McNee for organising and coordinating the program with the class teachers. Many excited students headed off for their first lesson and returned tired but happy. The lessons will continue until Week 8.

As we look forward to the final four weeks of the year, please remember to put all our upcoming events into your diaries; it’s going to be a busy and exciting time.

Have a great week!

Kelly Jeppesen
Principal

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### Gala Day Friday 21st November

- **Softball**—Woodside Playing fields
- **Cricket**—Bald Hills Lawnton CC, Canterbury Field Bald Hills.
- **League Tag**—Pine Rivers Bears Mathieson Park, Petrie

### Bring Your Own Device - Parent Information Night

When: Thursday 20th November 6pm
Where: Library
Who: Parents of students in year 3-7 in 2015

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### Swimming timetable Term 4 2014  Prep – Yr 3

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### PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS:

- **Brody Hetherington 567ACE**
- **Kye Hardie 2A**
The last Bookclub for 2014, Issue 8, has gone out to classrooms. All orders and monies are to be given to the office by the Friday 21st of November.

Explore Uni at QUT
Thursday November 20th

Students will be required to go to their classrooms at 8:00am.
Travel to QUT by bus leaving school at 8:15am and returning by 2:30pm.

Lunch will be supplied on the day but the students must bring a hat, water bottle and a snack.

Full School Uniform (NOT senior shirts) is required to be worn. Enclosed non-slip footwear must be worn.

Sharni Bailey (3A) meets Princess Anne

Nihongo Notes

みなさん、こんにちは (Minasan, Kon-nichi-wa)


Dakabee Award
Recipients for Week 6
Term 4

Be Sensible
Cooper Nott Prep C
Aidan Geraghty 4/5B
Jada Lewis 2B
Tehya Payne 4A
Ella Hutson 6/7C

Be Respectful
Bodie Connell 2/3D
Karli Ratapu 6/7A
Ji Helmore 5A
Kylah Clark 3A
Zane Bretton 567 ACE

Be Safe
Christine Curtis 1/2C
Jack Sullivan 234 ACE
Kirra-Lee Jameson 3/4C
Mia Woodbridge 2A
Hayley Van De Water 3A

Japanese
Karli Rapatu 6/7A

PE
Rogue Brunt 4A

Music
(Joint award)
Kaydence Ryan 2/3D,
Ruby Tiainen 234ACE,
Mikayla Hess 2B,
Alexis Jeffs 3A,
Rahni Jeffs 1/2C,
Sienna Molloy 1A,
Tamika O’Brien 5A,
Kaitlyn Coggins 5A,
Tayana Aneizark 2/3D,
Brigette Kerridge-Flaim 234ACE,
Noah Roberts 1B,
Reuben Jeffs 1A,
Holly Walmley-Crust 1A,
Emma McCudden 1/2C,
Rylee Lowe 1/2C

Movember

If you want to make a donation, go to the Movember website and enter our team name, Dakatache. Alternatively collection boxes are in the office for any cash donations.

Gary’s Story

By Niamh Geraghty

Year 5

G’day! My name is Gary and I’m the happiest koala in all of Lunginton. It wasn’t always this way, this is my story.

Two years ago I was happy with my family until one day, there was a gigantic storm and all of the trees got knocked down. Many of my friends and family were wounded or they died. I was the only one to survive without being injured.

The rest of the wounded were taken away. I was left alone trying to find a new home with no one to help me. I searched, wandering for many, many days and nights. I foraged for food and many times I went hungry. Shelter from the sun and bad weather was scarce. I was hunted all the time, but, luckily for me I could sleep during the day and live high in trees.

Then one day, wondering where I would get my next meal from, I wandered into an outback place with a million gum trees. So much food and so many high places, everywhere I looked! This place was called Lunginton. I thought, “Finally, I have reached my destination! Let’s go and explore!”

That’s when I met a lovely bunch of koalas who befriended me and they told me it was a safe place especially for koalas, run by humans. So my message is, “Please help the koala population by providing a safe and healthy place, which is saving them because there are not many of us left. Yes, we are nearly extinct!”