Over 130 riders from 28 schools attended another GREAT GSPS Horse Sports day last Friday. Thank you to all involved in helping in any way. Here are the results:

**CHAMPION PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Four Highest Scoring Riders were
Goondiwindi State Primary School
Charlotte Mailler, Charlie Privitera, Maddy Shaw, Emily Mailler

Four Highest Scoring Riders were
Goondiwindi State High School
Jessica White, Amy Norrie, Gabby Cahill, Abbie Bulmer.

6yo Reserve Champion
Millie McIntosh (St Patricks)

6yo Champion
Georgie Roberts (Southbrook Central)

7yo Champion
Kate Frith (St Patricks)

7yo Champion
Thomas Frey (Inglewood)

8yo Reserve Champion
Charlie McIntosh (St Patricks)

8yo Champion
Phoenix Mason (Southbrook)

9yo Reserve Champion
Charlie Privitera (GSPS)

9yo Champion
Abbie Gordon (Begonia)

10yo Reserve Champion
Chloe Southern (St Patricks)

10yo Champion
Molly Smith (St Marys)

11yo Reserve Champion
Campbell Shenfield (St Patricks)

11yo Champion
Breanna Wilson (Bunkers Hill)

12yo Reserve Champion
Brunflett (Pilton)

12yo Champion
Danneika Lyons (St Ursula's)

13yo Reserve Champion
Tom Smith (St Marys)

13yo Champion
Kiara Bressinton (Clifton)

14yo Reserve Champion
Emily Gray (Dalby SHS)

14yo Champion
Tayla Lord (Oakey SHS)

15yo Reserve Champion
Gabby Cahill (GSHS)

15yo Champion
Amiee Norrie (GSHS)

16yo Reserve Champion
Sarah Kirkwood (Downlands)

16yo Champion
Jessica White (GSHS)

17yo Reserve Champion
Bonnie Chandler (Downlands)

17yo Champion
Cassie Southern (Downlands)

Congratulations to these students for their winning entry in the Book Fair colouring comp:

Prep  Callum Atkins
Yr 1  Garima Dahal
Yr 2  Shae McGowan
Yr 3  Gemma Maloney
Yr 4  Faeth Lavender
Yr 5  Darcie Maloney
Yr 6  Nickolas Williams

All students have been awarded a book prize from the Fair

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**Cybersafety Parent Information Session**

Our P and C is sponsoring a Cybersafety Parent Information Session on Thursday 08 September at 6:00pm in our Library. The presenter will be Author and Cybersafety researcher Brad Huddleston, who will also be speaking to our Year 5 and 6 students earlier that day. Brad says: "With all the positive advancements technology has bought us, unfortunately the misuse including cyber-bullying, pornography & excessive time online just to name a few, can negatively affect us with short & long-term consequences. The good news is these negative issues surrounding technology can be managed and bought under control. DSOT (Darkside of Technology) is committed to just that, empowering individuals and families to positively manage their way through the dark traps technology can catch us in."

Brad’s valuable advice on managing technology can be found on the website darksideoftechnology.com
From the Principal …

Welcome to Week 7 and BOOK WEEK – Australia: Story Country. Tomorrow is our Book Week Parade which is always great fun. We especially welcome the Kindy children from LEAD, who will join in on the parade.

We are currently in full swing planning for our Prep Transition for 2017, with meetings with the Kindergartens and school based planning meetings. Our Transition also includes our support of Kindergartens through Miss Karlene’s artistic sharing, Miss Dana Pearce, our Speech Language Pathologist and Mrs Pearcey providing parent information via the Kindergartens and such activities as our Book Week Parade. Supporting families and children in making a really successful transition from Early Childhood Education and Care and home to full time schooling.

It was lovely to accompany the choirs, 2D and some poetic Year 4 students to Kaloma last Friday as part of Seniors Week. They did a wonderful job and spent time having morning tea and mixing with some of the residents. Thank you to the staff of Kaloma for welcoming us.

I wish you all a very rewarding week.

Warm regards

Carmel Schaumburg

CANBERRA

55 Year 6 students will be departing early Saturday morning for a very busy, but fun-filled week in Canberra. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. Their visits will include Parliament House, Australian War Memorial and Questacon Science Centre.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $60 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate Program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

To keep up to date with what our Year 6 students are up to in Canberra follow us on FaceBook. Our students will be participating in the Last Post Ceremony at the Australian War Memorial at 4.55pm on Monday 29th August. This ceremony is streamed live by webcam on the internet and can be viewed on your computer/device by surfing to https://www.awm.gov.au/live/

We would like to once again thank all parents and school supporters involved in fund raising to reduce the costs of attending the trip and Ms Lauren Harris for coordinating these fund raising efforts.

FROM THE GROOVY LEARNERS IN YEAR TWO!

It’s all about animals in English and Dance,
We use direction, shape and level,
To move in silly ways and prance.

Look for us on Friday,
See what you can find
Many kinds of animals you may just have a chance.

English can be interesting,
Ask our groovy learners,
How non-fiction is informing,
And fiction isn’t boring.

Finding facts in fiction really,
Do you think we’re silly?
It all about the inferring,
And just simply referring.

Science is spectacular,
When METAMORPHOSIS,
Is so peculiar,
Watch very carefully,
You’ll be surprised at what you see!
Not one, not two but three,
Stages of growing CAN IT BE?

Numbers, time and measuring,
Surely not all that again?
Practice is what we need,
To slowly gather speed,
We always have our fun,
When we warm-up on the run.

Geography teaches us connection,
And all about location.
What place are we connected to?
With what, why and who!
Distant and local,
And when and how is very focal,
The world is magnificent,
The years two’s are simple brilliant!

Four weeks to go on grooving,
In this time we’ll continue learning,
Count each day,
Each is special in its own way.
Come with a smile,
And stay for a while.

Year Two!