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Welcome to Week 9. I wish to thank Mrs Bernadine Paesler for her very generous donation of plants and hay to the gardens outside the SLC and Year 4 classrooms. Some of the year 4 children, Mr Peut and I got into the Spring mood and have been planting a range of plants in both areas. How wonderful it looks too. There will be a Year 4 watering roster to keep our new plants growing strongly and really bringing Spring alive in this area.

Next Tuesday Positive Partnerships are offering a free one day workshop for parents and carers who wish to know more about supporting school-aged children on the autism spectrum. It is at the Jolly Swagman in Goondiwindi. Registrations close tomorrow. If you are interested please register at www.positivepartnerships.com.au. I encourage any interested parents and carers to access this opportunity.

Congratulations to our Gold Pass students for Term 3. Over 55% of our students reached this very high level of consistent behaviour. Over the year we have seen the number of students achieving Gold Level improving, which is a wonderful outcome. We are hosting a range of activities at school for this term’s Gold Pass Day with some treats involved. A great way to celebrate the end of a very full and productive term.

Our P&C and Mrs O’Connor, our Business Services Manager, have been working very hard to finalise the plans for our new Senior Playground. A range of proposals have been considered with one being selected, which provides a variety of challenging and fun outdoor play options for our students. Work is planned for over the Christmas break. Thanks to our P&C for their ongoing support of our school. The P&C are also planning a working bee to upgrade the pathway between Year 3 and the covered walkway, making this path wider and easier for children to use.

Our Prep Transition Letters go out next week for all families who have enrolled their Prep 2017 students with us. This letter outlines the Transition Program, which commences next term. I have also been finalising meetings with our Kindergarten providers to ensure our program is both supportive and exciting for all children and their families. Transition is a vital part of successfully starting Prep. If you have a Prep student for 2017 and are yet to enrol, please do so as soon as possible to take advantage of this program.

Yesterday I worked with Mrs Philippa Sly, Principal of Yelarbon, to ensure a smooth transition to her role as Acting DP at the commencement of next term. Mrs Sly is an excellent teacher and administrator and I am sure children and families will enjoy working with her in her time with us in Term 4.

I wish you all a very rewarding week.
Warm regards

Carmel Schaumburg

Maths Olympiad is a mathematic challenge in which group of our Year 5 and 6 students have been involved in over the past two terms. We have been learning and practising the application of problem solving techniques in a range of mathematical areas. Each month we have been putting our skills to the test by competing in a Maths Olympiad in which over 28 000 students across Australasia have participated. Yesterday was our last challenge and all students are to be congratulated on their persistence and development in their problem solving skills. The challenges have been indeed that, challenging. I have included one for your fun at home.

Yours in Mathematics, Mrs Schaumburg.

In the expression SHE + THE = BEST, each different letter stands for a different digit. What number does the four-letter word BEST represent? (The leading digit cannot be zero in any of the numbers.)

FREE DRESS DAY FRIDAY 16th SEPT. THE THEME IS RIO OLYMPICS AND A GOLD COIN DONATION IS ASKED OF ALL CHILDREN TO GO TOWARDS OUR SUPPORTING OUR WORLD VISION ADOPTED CHILD.