Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy few weeks, with the school attending the B&C Schools’ Sports Carnival, Miss Laidlow attending the Regional Principal's Forum and the school holding its very first Family Games Night! On top of that, the students have been working hard to finish off assessment tasks and begin their new English unit which focuses on poetry.

**Family Mini-Golf Afternoon**
This Sunday, we will be holding our Family Mini-Golf afternoon at the Stardust Drive-In. The event will begin at 2pm and costs $10 per person or $20 per family (2 adults, 3 children). There will be drinks and food on sale and there are loads of great prizes up for grabs. Bring Dad along for a Fathers’ Day treat! We look forward to seeing you all there!

**School Photos**
School photos will be taken next Thursday 5 September during morning session. Please ensure that your child is wearing their best school uniform shirt, dark pants and closed shoes on this day. If your family would like to order school photos, please return the attached order form and money by next Wednesday.

**Voting**
Osborne State School is a polling booth for the federal election 2013. We will be holding a sausage sizzle at the school on voting day from 10am until 12pm for a gold coin donation. Come along and have a sausage and don’t forget to vote!

**Water Festival Float**
This year, we will be putting a float in the Water Festival to help promote our school in the local community. The Water Festival Mardi Gras and parade will be held in the afternoon on Saturday 7 September in Ayr. We would love to see all Osborne students on our float. The theme for the festival is ‘Tales of Enchantment’ so the children can either choose to dress up as their favourite fantasy character on the float or wear their school uniform. They can to bring wrapped lollies to throw from the float if they wish. We will meet at ANZAC park (MacMillan St side) at approximately 4:30pm, following the parade, children will need to be collected from ANZAC park. If your child will be coming on the float, please return the attached permission form to school as soon as possible.

**Fancy Dress Ball**
We will be holding our school fancy dress ball and variety concert on Friday 13 September. All children (and adults!) are invited to come along in their favourite fancy dress costume and join us as the students present some of their favourite poetry and songs and have fun dancing the night away. The event will begin at 6:30pm, food and drinks will be available. All parents, carers and friends are welcome to attend.

**JOKSS Day**
Wednesday 18 September (Week 10) we will be travelling to Jarvisfield State School for this term’s JOKSS day, this term we will be holding a variety of fun sporting events for the children. We will be travelling to and from Jarvisfield by taxi. The taxi will depart Osborne at 8:30am and return by 3:00pm. Tuckshop will be available on the day, if you wish to purchase tuckshop, please return the attached form and money to school by Monday 9 September. You will also need to return the attached permission form for your child to attend.

**Junior Secondary Transition Morning**
On Wednesday 18 September, our Year 5 students have been invited to visit Home Hill High School attend the LaLuna Circus and Drama group workshop, participate in a hands on science lesson and have a tour of the high school. The students will be at the high school from 9am until 11:30am, they will then join us at Jarvisfield for the remainder of the day. If your child will be attending, please return the attached permission form to school as soon as possible.

**Rotary Community Raffle**
If your family has sold their Rotary Community Raffle tickets, please return the books and money to school as soon as possible. 100% of the proceeds from our ticket sales will be returned to the P&C for our school to use. Remember that all books must be accounted for and lost books must be paid for by the family who has taken them.
Reading Strategy of the Week
This week's strategy is 'Tryin' Lion'. ‘Tryin’ Lion says – try a word that starts like that and makes sense here. When children come across an unfamiliar word, they should look at the beginning sound, look at picture clues and then try a word that might fit. After reading on, make sure that they check the word they used makes sense in the sentence. So remember, when you are stuck on a word ‘Tryin’ Lion’ say – Try a word that makes sense here!

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 9th September at 3:15pm in the staffroom. All parents, carers and friends of the school are welcome to attend.

Awards
Congratulations to the following students who have received awards for their great work this fortnight:
Johnny Rehbein Kimba Stott-Matthews Dylan Matthews Craig Becke Daly Clay
Keep up the great work everyone!

Yours in Education
Hayley Laidlow
Principal

Wonderful Work from Osborne this week...

B&C Schools’ Sports Day

The Prep-3 students had lots of fun at the tabloid sports events >>>>

We had a great time at the B&C Schools’ Sports day. Everyone tried their very best in the events and represented our school perfectly- well done everyone!

Lachlan did a great job at high jump >>>>

Johnny performed fantastically and was selected to compete in 4 events at the District Sports carnival!

Family Board

Games Night

It was fabulous to see over half of our schools’ families join us at our first ever Board Games night, everyone had a great time and we are looking forward to holding another one very soon!