Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of term and begin our end of semester assessment tasks it is increasingly important for every child to be at school every day. It has been fabulous to see our overall attendance increasing over the past 2 weeks to 94.7% for the term– keep up the great work everyone!

I would also like to congratulate all our students on their great behaviour and engagement at our recent author visit with Aleesah Darlison visit. I received the email below from Aleesah:

_Thanks so much for having me at Osborne SS today. I had an absolute ball talking to and working with all the students from all the small schools! It was fantastic to see how spirited, creative and friendly everyone was. I hope the kids got something out of the day and continue to read and write lots and lots!_

It is always great to get such positive feedback about our students and I was very proud of their efforts. It was also great to have our P&C volunteers running tuckshop. It was a great team effort – thanks everyone who came along and helped out!

The next couple of weeks are going to be very busy for us with the Fancy Dress Ball next Friday and Cluster Science Day the following Thursday. On Cluster Science Day we will play host to Rob Black and his special guest Pranvera from the Charlie Bates Solar Astronomy Project. Pranvera has travelled all the way from Kosovo and will be sharing her knowledge about the Sun. We will also be running lots of other exciting science activities and would love for you and your family to join us on the day. We will be running tuckshop again on Cluster Science Day and we would appreciate volunteers to help with cooking and serving on the day.

Have a fantastic fortnight everyone,

Hayley Laidlow
Principal
Save the Date

2 June – Band 5/6 Principals’ Meeting (Osborne), QSR Team Meeting, 3:15pm
3 June – School photos
7 June – P&C Meeting & QSR Team Meeting
8 June – Alesah Darlison, Author Workshop
9 June – Band 5/6 Forum, Hayley away, Tracie in charge
10 June – QASSP State Council – Hayley away, Tracie in charge
13-14 June – Peer Review training – Hayley away, Tracie in charge
16 June – QSR Verification Meeting, 9-11am
17 June – Fancy Dress Ball
23 June – Combined Small Schools Activity Day (previously JOKSS) – Osborne State School – Science
24 June – Last day of school
2 July – Election Day
11 July – School begins
15 July – NAIDOC Day celebrations
25-26 July – Numeracy PD - Hayley and Tracie away, Ash Harland replacing
27 July – QLD Cricket workshop (2-3pm)
30 July - Trivia night
3 August – QLD Cricket workshop (2-3pm)
5 August – Small School Athletics Carnival – Clare SS
11 August – Burdekin Band 5/6 PLC – Hayley away
24-26 August – QASSP State Conference – Hayley away, Tracie in charge
12-16 September – Hayley LSL, Tracie replacing
15 September – Burdekin Cluster Day ‘The Arts’ – Clare State School

P&C News
Active P&C membership is vitally important to the success of our school so I would encourage you all to come along to our meetings and see how you can help. All parents, carers and friends of the school are welcome to attend. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 July at 6:30pm in the staffroom.

Attendance

Our current attendance rate for Term 2 (as at 7 June) is 94.7% - well done everyone, keep up the great work!

QSR Verification
Next Thursday 16 June from 9-11am we will have our Quadrennial School Review Verification meeting. At this meeting, the team will present and discuss our School Strategic Plan for 2013-2019 and it will be reviewed by our Assistant Regional Director Robbie Mitchell for approval. On Wednesday 15 June at 3:15pm we will hold our final team meeting. All team members are invited to attend this meeting in preparation for the verification meeting on Thursday.
Fancy Dress Ball
Our annual Fancy Dress Ball will be held next **Friday 17 June**. The night will begin at **6:30pm** and will include lots of dancing, games and a special screening of the fabulous documentary created by our Year 3-6 students at Paluma. We would ask that each family bring a plate of food to share for our pot luck dinner! Soft drinks will be available for purchase on the night.

Cluster Science Day
On **Thursday 23 June (Week 11)** we will host the Burdekin Small Schools Cluster Science Day. For this day, other small schools from the district will join us for a variety of science activities. We will also be joined by Rob Black and his special guest Pranvera from the Charlie Bates Solar Astronomy Project to teach us about the Sun. All parents and friends of the school are welcome to join us on the day and learn about our most important star. Our fabulous P&C will be running tuckshop again for this day. Attached to this newsletter is a tuckshop order form. If you wish to order tuckshop for your children, please return the form and money to school by **Friday 17 June**.

Election Day 2016
As you will all be aware, **Saturday 2 July** will see us all return to the polls for the Federal Election. As our school will be a polling booth, the P&C have decided to hold a cake stall on the day. We would appreciate donations of cakes, slices, biscuits etc. for the stall. Please note that all baking must be clearly labelled with the creation’s name and ingredients. Donations can be dropped off the school on **Friday 1 July** or on the day.

Trivia Under the Stars
We are excited to announce that on **Saturday 30 July** our P&C will be holding a trivia night to help raise much needed funds for our school. It is set to be a fantastically fun night with loads of great trivia and games and a free movie and popcorn party for the kids. We are in need of donations of prizes for the night – if you are aware of any businesses or individuals who would be willing to help out, please contact the school or a P&C member. Attached is a flier which you are welcome to circulate to friends and family. Let’s get behind this event and make it a great night!

Playgroup
Playgroup is now up and running! A huge thank you to our Playgroup co-ordinator Belinda McConville for volunteering her time to help us out. It was great to see all of the families along at Playgroup today. We look forward to seeing our Playgroup grow in future so please encourage anyone you know who has pre-school aged children to come along. **Playgroup runs each Friday from 8:30am – 10:00am during school term.** (Playgroup will still be running next Friday 20 May)

Student Banking
**Don’t forget, Student Banking day is Wednesday.** Student Banking is a great way to teach kids about how to save money and it also benefits our school as we receive financial benefits for each student who has an account which is registered with our school banking account. If your child does not have a student account and you would like to open one, please let us know and we give you a copy of the required forms.

Eggs
Our chickens are very happy and are laying well. We are currently getting approximately 3 eggs per day. If you would like a dozen eggs, please let Miss Laidlow know. All we ask is that you make a small donation to our ‘feed fund’ and return your egg carton to school.
Wonderful Work from Osborne this week...

We had an absolutely fabulous day on Wednesday when Author Aleesah Darlison came to visit! We spend lots of time creating, writing and having fun with the students from Millaroo, Clare, Airville, Maidavale, Brandon and Jarvisfield State Schools.
Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, on **Thursday 23 June**, we will be hosting the Burdekin Small Schools Cluster Science Day. We have some fantastic activities planned and are looking forward to hosting our friends from the other small schools again.

Our P&C will be holding lunch tuckshop on this day as a fundraiser for our school. If your child would like to purchase tuckshop for lunch on this day, **please return the order form below and money to your school by Friday 17 June.** Students should bring their own afternoon tea. We look forward to seeing you at our school soon.

Yours sincerely,

Hayley Laidlow
Principal

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### BSSC Science Day

**Tuckshop Order Form**

Please return your order form and money to your child’s school by **Friday 17 June**

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Astronomy Outreach of Kosovo
Charlie Bates Solar Astronomy Project

International SUNday

June 26, Home Hill, Queensland
Kosovo & Australia
RAINBOW SYMPHONY

Where: Outside Radio 97.1 Sweet FM (old courthouse – opposite Malpass Hotel)

When: 9am – 1pm Sunday June 26th 2016

Come and observe our own life giving star – the SUN – through the largest single collection of LUNT SOLAR SYSTEMS telescopes in Australia.

COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE!!
Does Your Child Have a Chance of Being Successful?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but.......

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Osborne State School
For all students to have opportunities to obtain a quality education and develop life-long learning skills

Quality Behaviour......
Quality Teaching & learning......
Quality Relationships......
Quality Outcomes

At Osborne State School
Every Child Matters, Everyday

Ask us about help with getting your children to school everyday!!!
Cane trains on the move again

Cane trains are on the move again around the Burdekin district ahead of the start of this year’s crushing season.

Crushing is set to start at Wilmar Sugar’s four Burdekin mills on Tuesday 7 June.

Now is a great time for parents to talk to their children about staying safe around cane trains.

Cane trains operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week during the crushing season.

Although cane trains don’t travel at high speeds they weigh about 1000 tonnes, which means they take a long time to stop after brakes are applied.

Even if a loco driver sees someone or something on the train tracks ahead, he or she may not be able to stop in time to avoid hitting it.

A locomotive can weigh up to 40 tonnes - about the same as a humpback whale.

Cane bins usually weigh between four and six tonnes - about the same as an elephant.

That means a fully laden cane train is about the same as a humpback whale towing 150 roller-skating elephants – not something you want to have hit you!

That’s why it is so important to stay away from cane railway tracks and always give way to cane trains.

Wilmar Sugar’s cane train safety mascot, Sam, helps teach young people how to stay safe during the crushing season.

Sam’s key messages to young people are that they should:

1. Keep off cane trains and their bins;
2. Keep clear of cane railway tracks;
3. Stay off cane railway bridges;
4. Stay safe at cane railway crossings.

The Burdekin’s crushing season is expected to run from June to mid-November.
FREE

Come & Try Session
Burdekin Junior Basketball
Tues 21.6.15
3.30-4.30pm

If your child has never played basketball & would like to give Basketball a try, please come along to our FREE Come & Try Day.

Tuesday 21st June 3.30-4.30pm at the Burdekin Basketball Stadium
Just bring along a waterbottle.
Pre registration is vital – please email gsmswight@bigpond.com with your child's details (name/dob/address/phone contact)

Season 2 will commence after the school holidays. If you are considering joining our Junior Basketball fixtures for the first time, this session is for you. This is a free coaching session with the possibility of joining a team in Semester 3 & 4. We are looking for young, up and coming basketballers. If you would like to come along and find out about our competition, game times, costs etc... come along to the Burdekin Basketball Stadium where we will try and answer all your questions. Fixtures are every Wednesday afternoon from 4pm – 7pm depending on age group.

Every new player can have 2 games trial before any fees are required.

Any queries please do not hesitate to call Sandra Wight on 0438 836511 or email gsmswight@bigpond.com

Our website is www.burdekin.basketball.net.au