Greetings all,

There are now only two weeks left in term 1 and given that the last day of term is a Thursday, tomorrow will be our second last swimming lesson and AusKick session.

Whilst students will be enjoying their break over the Easter Holidays, it does not mean that their learning has to stop as well. Holidays, and even afternoons during a normal school term, are valuable learning opportunities where students have the opportunity to use what they are learning at school in the real world. Take this opportunity to talk with your children about everything that is happening around them.

Allow them to use their maths skills to calculate change while shopping, get them to read the recipe you are following out loud, make up simple games based on the letters and numbers on vehicle number plates, get them to work out how long until their favourite television program is due to come on, do price comparisons at the supermarket and get them to work out which items are the best value—the options are endless. The advantage of this sort of reinforcement is that it shows children that what they are learning at school actually impacts upon their day to day lives outside of school. The more that children are allowed, and encouraged, to utilise these skills outside of school, the more it means to them and the deeper their understandings will become.

In addition, this is excellent practice for those students that are sitting NAPLAN tests after the holidays with the vast majority of thee tests focusing on students being able to apply their base knowledge across real-world problem situations.

Until next week.
**Tuckshop**

Tuckshop for Wednesday 25th March
Home made Hamburger (meat pattie, lettuce, tomato, Carrot, cheese and sauce)
Popper, Frozen Yogurt, home baking, serve of fruit and popcorn.

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**Swimming Payment**

Unfortunately, invoices for swimming were not sent home last week due to an issue with the photocopier. Parents will today receive an invoice for swimming for term 1. Payment is $30.00 per student which goes towards the cost of an instructor for swimming lessons. The school funds the remainder of the costs which covers swimming lessons and pool hire.
All students in Prep to Year 6 are required to pay the fees. Please contact the school if you are having trouble with making payment. Thanks.

**Mary Valley Blue Light DISCO**

Tomorrow Night - Friday 20th March at Kandanga Hall
From 6.30 till 8.30 pm
Come along for a great night out.

**Just a reminder that Prep Photos will be published in the Gympie Times next Wednesday. Don’t forget to grab yourself a copy.**
This summer, come along to one of Gympie Regional Council's FREE 'Movies in the Park' events. Your local park will be transformed to an outdoor cinema. We'll provide the movies which have been selected specifically to appeal to a wide