A note from the Principal:

I trust all the mothers of our students had a lovely day with their families on Sunday. Many of our students were involved with activities to make gifts and cards for their special mums. The year one classes were very lucky to be provided with glazed pots from Mitre 10 which they decorated beautifully and then added a pretty plant also donated by the store. It was lovely to see the creative talent of our youngsters and I am sure they were a huge hit with the mothers.

Thanks to our P&C Committee. All students had the chance to buy beautiful gifts from the Mother’s Day stall. This was a great fundraiser for our school and was very popular with our students. Thank you to everyone who was involved in organising the gifts. They were beautifully presented.

Our playgroup also got involved in Mother’s Day activities with Trish and Kelda organising the craft materials. It was great to see a number of mothers and children attending and having fun. Due to the show holiday there will be no playgroup next week. All playgroup members are welcome to join the under eights day on Friday the 23rd of May. Playgroup will resume on Friday the 30th of May.

Congratulations to Mr McEnery and his cross country team. We had excellent results with three students placing in the top fifteen positions, congratulations to:

- Will T - 2nd place with a time of 07:37.46
- Levi B - 11th place with a time of 08:23.33
- Eli B - 14th place with a time of 08:33.04
- Tanner C – 25th place with a time of 09:15.93
- Joseph G – 34th place with a time of 09:38.93
- Tane B – 6th place with a time of 12:14.79
- Rykah W-B - 16th place with a time of 13:28.48
- Dylan O - 23rd place with a time of 14:12.22
- Andrew V D - 37th place with a time of 16:12.64
- Keegan C - 24th place with a time of 13:54.58
- Zeko C - 26th place with a time of 14:02.03
- Scott McP - 3rd place with a time of 11:31.51
- Sam L - 15th place with a time of 13:19.15
- Ethan G - 22nd place with a time of 15:52.62

The following students made the Gympie District Cross Country team and will travel to Gayndah for Wide Bay Trials on 27/05/14: Will T, Tia McL and Scott McP.

Mr Greg Pountney and Mr Guy Littler have been training the school NRL team on Tuesday and Thursday lunch hours. They have a practice session this Thursday afternoon in the last session. Parents are most welcome to come and watch them train. Students will play in the Annual NRL Development Cup (Statewide 12&U Rugby League Competition) Gala Day on Thursday, 22nd May at Albert Park. The winning team will progress to the next Round against the South Burnett Division winners.

All the best to our year 3, 5 and 7 students who will be sitting NAPLAN tests this week. We know they will all do their best as they have worked hard since the beginning of the year with their literacy and numeracy lessons. We recommend students have a restful, fun afternoon followed by a good night’s sleep and big breakfast before each test.
A number of our Year 5 students have been selected to take part in Project U2B; a year 5 Numeracy online learning program that develops the numeracy and math’s skills of the selected students. The aim of the program is to extend students who are already capable at numeracy and help them go ‘from good to great’. Students have been given this opportunity because previous test results indicate that a targeted program could help them reach a Band 7 or 8 (the Upper Two Bands) in their Year 5 NAPLAN Numeracy Test in 2014. Equally important though, is our aim to promote a greater appreciation and enjoyment of numeracy and give students the opportunity to experience a high quality online learning program. The program is delivered by Jones Hill State School in partnership with Education Queensland’s Metropolitan Region and Brisbane School of Distance Education. Many students from state schools in the Metropolitan Region are taking part. Lessons are delivered over 9 weeks commencing soon. There is no cost to the students for participation. Students attend one 60-70 minute web conference each Wednesday of the 9 week course at school, in a group of 12. The program is delivered by an online teacher trained by Brisbane School of Distance Education and the group is supported and supervised by Mrs. Grogan.

Congratulations to the following children for working hard to improve their writing skills:

- PF, Aleisha G - writing improvement in classroom activities.
- 1B, Ellie L - for trying hard with writing activities and spelling ‘magic e’ words.
- 1N, Jordan A has started writing sentences and is always trying to write instead of giving up when it gets hard.
- 2B, Keeley K is doing wonderful work with her writing. She is using great noun groups and expanding her sentences by using joining words. She always strives to spell words accurately.
- 3R, Trinity S for working hard with all writing activities.
- 3S, Amalia D is a keen writer and has shown good progress in her writing.
- 4N, Aurora D writes with enthusiasm and enjoys entertaining the audience.
- 4/5L, Brooke C who has written a persuasive text titled, “Jones Hill Needs A Swimming Pool”. Her planning and ideas were well thought out and structured. The presentation of her written work demonstrated a high standard.
- 5W, April G has worked extremely hard at improving her writing during NAPLAN preparation.
- 6/7K, PJ W has worked very hard on an English assessment to improve his writing and aim for a higher grade.
- 6/7C, Mitch P has been putting in a good effort to improve his writing skills.

Congratulations to the following children for great efforts with their reading and classwork:

- PF, Kate F & Mackenzie K for huge effort with their sight words.
- 2B, Koebi G who has improved 7 reading levels.
- 2G, Lachlan H who has moved up 4 PM Benchmark levels and is about to do another benchmark. Kayleigh H, Cooper L and Tobias M who have moved up 3 PM Benchmark levels.
- 2/3C, Max R for most improved reader moving up 7 levels. Annalise S moving up 5 levels and Rachel D and Ethan D 4 levels.
- 3S, Ryan B for working hard and making great improvement in his reading skills and strategies. Lilly S for displaying a much increased interest and enjoyment in reading resulting in an improved reading ability.
- 5W, Zanthe F for greatly improving her reading and comprehension skills.
- 3R, Charlize L for improved reading skills.
- 4N, Brady D - we are very proud of his writing and efforts in class. Serenity P for always working, who loves school, is so well behaved and listens intently and always tries her best. Izak C who is working hard in class.
- 5/6B, Lachlan H, Libby S, Josh R have improved their scores in their CARS books and achieved their personal best scores. Lachlan D has achieved 100% for his CARS book lesson as well as 100% for the comprehension component of his PROSE reading level test.
- 6/7K, Sara-Rose F has made improvement with reading.
- Congratulations to Rory, for achieving a 2000 silver certificate in language perfect, he has answered over 6000 questions with 92% accuracy.

Regards, Helen Grogan

**Language Perfect - World Championships 2014  19 – 29 May**

Year 5, 6 and 7 German students are warming up on Language Perfect, in preparation for the World Championships starting MONDAY 6PM, 19th – 29th of May.
NAIDOC Week
NAIDOC Week will be celebrated on July 6–13. Students in Prep to year 2 have the opportunity to enter a Colouring Competition. Students in year 3 to 6 can enter the Short Story Writing Competition. There are some great prizes to be won! All entries must be returned to the office by Friday 20th June so we can post them in time.

NAIDOC Week is also recognised and celebrated with Respect Bands (see picture). If you would like to order one of these bands (cost is $2) please fill in the form at the end of the newsletter and return the form and money to the office no later than Monday 26th May so we can get our order in on time.

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT (SWPBS) WEEKLY UPDATE

What does SWPBS look like at Jones Hill State School:
Weekly Focus:
This week our focus is Respect in classroom and learning settings. Every class will be engaged in a lesson designed to teach the following expectations:
• Act responsibly and respectfully at all times
• Respect the property and personal space of others
• Respect your own learning and try your best
Parents, teachers and students working together
make a powerful team!

AFRICAN DRUMMING
Last Wednesday, Jones Hill students were treated to a drumming performance from the Salaka ensemble. Salaka means ‘to share’ and the performers shared the culture and traditions of West African music to all the students present. This involved singing and dancing and finished with a large scale Djembe performance where each student beat their own drum!
David Impey- Classroom Music

P&C
Mother’s Day Stall
Thank you to everyone who donated, helped and supported our stall. We raised some valuable funds for the school.

Cadbury Chocolate Drive
Could we please have all outstanding money returned to the P&C box in the office by next Friday 23rd May. Please note you are either returning $50.00 (Variety box or Freddo box) or $80.00 (Easter box). Thank you to all those families who have already returned their money.

Movie Fundraiser
We will be holding a movie fundraiser for “How to Train Your Dragon 2” on Saturday 21st June. The time is still to be advised but we are hoping it will be early afternoon. All tickets will be $12 and available from the office to purchase once the time is confirmed. Please keep an eye open for sale date, as I’m sure they will sell very quickly.

Sports Day Friday 20th June
Sports Day is one of our biggest fundraising days for the year. This year we will be having a canteen again. Any help on the day would be greatly appreciated, even if only for an hour. Please let the office ladies know if you are able to help.

RELAY FOR LIFE – CUPCAKE DAY
Student’s purchase an un-iced cupcake and then ice and decorate it. Prizes will be awarded for the best in class and best cake overall. After judging, students may eat their cake. Cakes must be pre-ordered, see order form at the end of this page. The cupcake day will be held on Monday May 19 and orders and money must be returned to the school office no later than Wednesday May 14.
We are looking for donations of items to decorate and ice the cakes. Please see the list below. We are also looking for donations of un-iced cupcakes, if you are able to help out by making a dozen or so cupcakes please fill in the form at the end of this page.

CAKE DECORATION DONATION ITEMS
• Prep - Hundreds & thousands/ Chocolate Sprinkles
• Year 1 - Mini M&Ms/Mini Marshmallows/Smarties
• Year 2 - Mint Leaves/Liquidorice/Jelly Beans/Jelly Crystals
• Year 3 - Butter/margarine
• Year 4 - Icing Sugar
• Year 5 - Rainbow Sprinkles/Coloured Sprinkles
• Year 6 - Choc bits
• Year 7 - Lollies or other cake decoration novelties

Pinewood Avenue, Gympie PH: 5480 4500

Conveyance Committee Meeting - A Conveyance Committee meeting for school runs S437 and P985 will be held at Polleys Coaches, Pinewood Avenue, Gympie on Monday 26th May at 4pm. This meeting is to elect a new committee for each of these runs. To be elected to this committee, you must have a student that travels on this run.

Plastic Bus Passes – Please note, that if your student has been issued with a new plastic bus pass, do not hole punch these cards. The cards are micro chipped and have wires running through them. If they are hole punched, they will no longer work. If your child does not have a bus pass, please contact our office. We still have a number of passes left here ready to go, requiring a deposit or the return of their old bus pass. We appreciate everybody’s patience in relation to the new Fare Cards. Unfortunately, we are still waiting on software for this. Watch this space for further details.

Lost Property – Don’t forget about us when it comes to lost property. We do end up with quite a bit at the end of each term.

JUNIOR TENNIS FIXTURES AND HOT SHOTS FREE MEMBERSHIP
Tennis Gympie is offering free junior membership for 2014 for all Junior Fixture and Hot Shots players.
Wednesday afternoons for primary school age, Thursday afternoons for High School age and Saturday morning Hot shots from 8.30am to 10.00am for all ages.
All programs began last week but players are welcome to sign-on at any time throughout the term at The Reg English Memorial Tennis Centre on Cartwright Road Gympie (beside Gympie West State School).
For more information call Brett Cottrill on 0417746795.
LOST PROPERTY
There are 30 waterbottles, and a large number of jumpers in the lost property box under the admin building. Please call in and check to see if they belong to you.

UN-ICED CUPCAKE DONATIONS
Student’s Name: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

I am able to donate _______ un-iced cupcakes.

Cakes need to be at school Monday May 19 before 9am and preferable made in Patty Papers.

CUPCAKE ORDER FORM
Forms and money must be returned by Wednesday May 14

Cakes are $2 each (only one cake per student)

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Total number of cakes ______ x $2 = $ _________ Enclosed

RESPECT BANDS
Orders and money must be return by Monday May 26

NAME: ___________________________ GRADE: ___________________________

I would like to order _________ Respect Bands at $2 each

WEEK 3 PARADE

African Drumming performance
1-2-3 MAGIC® & EMOTION COACHING
PARENT COURSE

Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old
A three-session program for parents and carers
at Jones Hill State School

on June 3, 10 & 17 at Jones Hill SS.

Learn:
- To engage your children's cooperation by positively noticing and encouraging them
- To set clear expectations and help them develop frustration tolerance
- To help children's brains to develop filters for behaving well
- To resolve family conflict quietly
- Some simple strategies to practise being a calm parent

Registration Fee?
The course costs $10
Register for this course contacting the office staff at Jones Hill State School on 54890555.

What people are saying...
What a relief to come across a program that preserves the dignity of the child, maintains the self control of both the parent and the child and is actually easy to remember when memory is the first thing to go!

I realised quickly that 1-2-3 Magic can be a magnificent preventative measure that any parent can use to avoid raising a child who later burns the line, needs excessive discipline or grows out of control.

Who is running it?
The presenter for this course is Wayne Bahr who completed Parentshop's 1-2-3 Magic® & Emotion Coaching practitioner training in 2012 and has trained dozens of parents around Gympie in recent years.

For more information contact Wayne Bahr on 0408701039

- An end to the arguing and yelling! • It saved our lives • Simple, sane, effective

This course is being run by a Parentshop® licensed practitioner. www.parentshop.com.au