A note from the Principal:

It was an absolute pleasure to see the enthusiasm, participation and pride demonstrated at our school Sports Day on Friday by all members of the school community. The spirit was very evident with students, staff and parents dressing superbly in red, yellow or blue with some amazing fashion choices and accessories. The photos from the day will provide us with much amusement for years to come and take pride of place in our historical records. Please see Jennifer at the office if you would like a copy of any photos. Bring in a USB stick. All photos will be displayed in the office foyer.

I was very proud of every student who attended the day. All students were exceptional with their behaviour and participation was 100% with great shows of sportsmanship as they encouraged each other to cross the finish line. I believe every child was a winner whether they received a ribbon or not.

A huge thank you to David Walters for organising the day, along with Phil McEneny our sports teacher for helping with the trials. A special thank you to John Politanski, our groundsman, for helping prepare the track and organise tents and equipment. All the staff were so well organised and efficient with their tasks and jobs that we finished in record time. Our P&C and parent helpers did an exceptional job in feeding us, ensuring much needed funds were raised through the canteen, coffee van and beautifully presented raffles. Parent attendance and support for the athletes on the day was superb ensuring a great atmosphere for all.

It was wonderful to have Gayle Ferguson present the sports shield to our winning team, Radford, in memory of her husband Peter Phelps who was a much loved groundsman at our school. It was an exciting day as the lead changed many times and the results were very close right to the very end. Congratulations to the Radford team for being the 2014 athletics champions.

Thank you again for making my first sports day and Mr Alexander (possibly last), a very special and memorable one 😊

Results:

1st - Radford – 1007  
2nd - Doran - 997.5  
3rd - McPaul – 929.5

Age Champions:

- 2008: Keira H – 21  
- 2007: Mia W – 16  
- 2006: Lara D – 32  
- 2005: Emily B – 29  
- 2004: Tia McL – 51  
- 2003: Aimee T – 32  
- 2002: Zyannah M – 37  
- 2001: Sara-Rose F – 45

Good Sports Awards: Kayden E and Jared B
REPORT CARDS

Report Cards will be sent home with your children on Thursday June 26. Below are some things to think about when reading your child’s report card.

C for Celebrate!
Over recent years, parent, students and teachers across Queensland are gradually becoming more familiar with a 5-point scale (e.g. A-E) process for reporting in all schools. This process is based on attainment standards called “benchmarks of achievement” or “criteria”. So what makes an “A”, “B”, “C” etc. is predetermined by a scale of achievement. Any student who shows evidence of meeting a particular level, deserves that benchmark grade. This is what you could consider the new difference for a “C” really means:

A “C” means that the student has met the criteria for a learner to be at the appropriate age level.

A “C” means that the student is doing everything required at their Year level at school. The best description is to say that a “C” means that the student’s academic development is exactly where it needs to be.

That means attaining a “C” for Achievement means you are ON TARGET for your age level!

With all of this in mind, we must accept that it may be harder to get an “A” or “B”. These grades are not awarded simply to the top students in the class. They are only given to students who show that they are independently capable of working beyond the criteria required their Year Level.

THUMBS UP CERTIFICATES
Parade Friday 27 June at 9:00am in the Hall
20 Tokens – Ethan L, Maryem A-A, Caleb H, Blaire R, Nakita H and Tamika B.

MINI M&M GUESS
Guess how many Mini M&Ms are in the jar? Only 50 cents a guess. Closest to the number wins the jar full of M&Ms, 2nd & 3rd places win a small packet of Mini M&Ms. Tickets are available from Mrs Hurren. Funds raised go to the students Relay for Life Team. Winner announced on Friday June 27.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARENTS WHO JOINED US FOR OUR ‘SUPPORT A READER’ AND ‘123 MAGIC’ PARENT SESSIONS. FURTHER PARENTING HELP SESSIONS WILL BE RUN IN TERM 3 WITH THE FOCUS FOR THE TERM BEING TO SUPPORT CHILDREN’S READING SKILLS AT HOME.

Long Service Leave Term 3:
The following staff are having some of Term 3 off on Long Service Leave. Replacement staff will be announced after the holidays. We trust they have a pleasant and restful break.

Max Nord
Dorothy Nord
John Politanski
Kay Ryan
Wayne Alexander
Lola Burnett
Phil McEnery

Free Dress Day; Tired or Active!
This Friday all staff and students are encouraged to come in free dress and donate a gold coin to the P&C. The theme is tired or active with the student leaders asking for school members to wear their PJ’s, sports gear or a combination of both. Photos will be taken of participants at parade.

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for our ‘Support a Reader’ and ‘123 Magic’ parent sessions. Further parenting help sessions will run in Term 3 with the focus for the term being to support children’s reading skills at home.

Congratulations to Nicole Barton who has been appointed as our schools Literacy Coach. The staff are very excited about working with Nicole next semester. Nicole has supported our staff over the years with their information technology skills ensuring staff have up to date knowledge and skills with computers and software.

P&C Meeting first Monday back, 14th July. 7.00pm in the library. Please join us to check out the new reading materials for next terms reading program.

I trust everyone has a safe, restful and enjoyable holiday. I look forward to working with you in semester two.

Kind Regards, Helen
Jones Hill Boys Hayden C and Riley B. The boys were part of the winning Wide Bay Boys Hockey team that has just finished playing the State Titles in Brisbane. Congratulations boys current STATE CHAMPIONS!!! for 2014. They both played well and had an awesome experience.

GOLDILOCKS ROCKS
This performance is an interactive, educational and ‘live’ theatre performance targeting “bullying” and “respect”. It will be held on Friday 1st August in the school hall. Cost is $6.00 per student. Payment is due by Friday 25th July.

Synopsis – Goldilocks really likes to help people. She happily does the shopping for her Grandmother, plus the gardening too. She often walks her neighbour’s dog and collects their mail. Goldilocks cheerfully gives her teacher a hand setting up for class and she’s always happy and very polite.

It’s true what they say “Goldilocks Rocks!”
Of course not everyone is pleased! The Big Bad Wolf is very jealous and he’s planning to cause all sorts of trouble – what a bully!!! Watch out Goldilocks!

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)
This week our focus is respect and relationships in the playground. Every class will be engaged in a lesson designed to teach the following expectations:

- Respect school property and equipment
- Respect the rights of others and play by the rules
- Respect teachers and adults
- Use respectful language and actions
- Play fairly and include others
- Accept differences and learn to get on
- Use problem-solving skills to solve playground issues

Parents, teachers and students working together make a powerful team!

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE 2014
- The Premier’s Reading Challenge is on again starting 20th May and finishing 5th September.
- Reading Record sheets have been given to every class and the teachers will send them home. Please record the books your child reads on the sheet – it must be signed by the parent.
- The Prep teachers will complete the reading record sheet at school.
- If you lose the Reading Record sheet or did not receive one, just ask at the office or ask Mrs Seed.
- The children who complete the challenge receive a certificate – this is a great way to reward our readers!
- A love of reading is one of the most important skills that someone can have and the Premier’s Reading Challenge aims to improve literacy, cultivate a passion for literature and encourage children to read widely for pleasure and learning.

Happy Reading. Stacey Seed

P&C NEWS
Cadbury Chocolate Drive
Please return all outstanding money before the holidays.

Movie Fundraiser
Thank you to everyone who supported our movie day. We had a fabulous turn out and everyone enjoyed the movie. Congratulations to those who won a “lucky ticket”.

Sports Day Friday 20th June
A very big thank you to everyone who volunteered their time, donated baked goods or raffle prizes. We had a very successful day which would not have been possible without these efforts. Also a big thank you to Chris McLellan and his coffee van. Chris was kept extremely busy all day. All support is greatly appreciated and we thank you once again.

Non-Uniform Day
This Friday June 27 will be a non-uniform day. The theme is “Tired” or “Active”! Come dressed in their pyjamas or favourite sports gear, or a combination of both. Gold coin donation.

Bakers Delight
Remember when you purchase from Bakers Delight just mention “Jones Hill State School” and Bakers Delight will donate a percentage to our school.

JAMES NASH SCHOLARSHIPS
James Nash is offering 12 students from both Year 6 and Year 7 the opportunity to gain Scholarships in English, a Mathematics/Science, Academy of Creative Arts or Sporting/All-rounder for 2015. Applications close soon.

Applications need to be returned before 18 July 2014. Enrolment forms are not due back until 9 September 2014, but you are more than welcome to start bringing them in now. If you have not yet received an enrolment package, please feel free to drop into the school office and grab one. If you would like more information, phone 54806333.

YOUR TEENAGER TOMORROW IS BEING MADE YOUR CHILD TODAY
James Nash State High School is proud to host a parenting presentation by Graham Hyman from Youth Specialties Australia, as part of the “Flying Start” transition strategy into High School. Whether your child is 8 or approaching 18, this seminar will be one of the most helpful, inspirational, educational and entertaining presentations you’ll ever attend. The “Understanding Your Teenager” seminar is an often hilarious, always relevant and deeply moving look into building your life as a family to give your children the best possible experience of adolescence. It is about the day to day experience of parenting an emerging teenager. It gives insights into your child’s new world, equips you with a bundle of great ideas to help you lay a foundation for your child’s success, and your sanity, through his or her adolescence.

7pm – 9pm - Thursday 24 July - James Nash State High School - Gold coin donation - RSVP: Debbie - Phone 5480 6351 or dfred15@eq.edu.au

LOSE ON BUS
An IPOD5 touch was lost on the bus Thursday afternoon. The IPOD has been shut down and should have our phone number on the screen. Phone Paul - 0428759142.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASEBALL FUN
Redbacks baseball will be at Nelson Reserve on Friday the 11th July from 10am to 4pm. Come and have a throw and a hit and grab some info for our upcoming season.
For more info contact Kelda on 0429867129.

SUITCASE MARKET
Saturday 26 July 9am to 1pm at the Gympie Regional Gallery, 39 Nash Street. Vintage and Artisan handcrafted market plus original artworks. Phone 5481 0733 for more information.
MOVIE FUNDRAISER
Jordan L and Kearna B are holding a movie fundraiser for “Rio 2” on Saturday 5th July @ 2.20pm.
Tickets are $12 per person ($6 of ticket goes towards the girls to help them get to Mt Isa) Tickets can be purchased from Peta Lobegeier on 0409 444 467.
Your support would be greatly appreciated.

GYMPIE CARER’S GROUP
New venue and new time.
Where: Avenues Lifestyle Support Hall, 37 Red Hill Road, Gympie.
When: 10am to 12pm; 2nd Tuesday of each month (8/07; 12/09; 9/09; 14/10; 11/11)

GYMPIE GIRL GUIDES
New Leaders and girls welcome, 19 Shanks St, Gympie.
Come for a visit
District Leader: Susan Rough
07 54723 432 - 0417 614 342 - roughguides@skymesh.net.au
2nd Gympie - Wednesday, 5-6.30 - ages 5-9 years
Heather Brown  JABIRU  0413674457
brownies101@bigpond.com
1st Gympie - Thursday, 5-7 - ages 10-13 1/2 years
Linda Pearce  MINGARA  0447 448417
cralinpearce@hotmail.com
Gympie Ranger Guides - Tuesday 3.30-6 - ages 13 1/2-17
Leonora Cox  QUOKKA  0425 850360
leonora.cox@gmail.com