As the end of the term approaches, may I ask that you revisit our school values with your child once again please? The “climate” of our school is often very positively commented upon by visitors. Our students are happy and display open friendliness to each other across the school, notwithstanding the minor disagreements that pop up as normal growing and learning opportunities. These positive attitudes must come from home and we, at school, work to support them with our high expectations of behaviour and commitment to learning. Thank you too, for all you do to reinforce our work here at school. Parents and teachers working together are a powerful combination to ensure excellence in education and life lessons.

Thank you to the parents who give me feedback on my weekly Sunday emails. I do hope they are of use to you, keep you up to date with what is happening here at school and also provide new messages when necessary. If you would like to be taken off this list, a quick email to my email address will ensure this happens. On the subject of email, school staff have been advised of a system maintenance/upgrade scheduled for this Saturday and Sunday. This means that all of our departmental IT systems will be off-line and I will be unable to send the usual reminder/messages email for Week 9. The usual Sunday email will instead, be send on Monday morning.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
You should have received your appointment slips today. Please contact your child's teacher if there is any change in your availability to attend the scheduled appointment.

Rossvale AFL Cluster Carnival
We have been able to negotiate for the involvement of some of the year 3 students’ in the year 4-6 Cluster AFL carnival next week. You will find an information letter and permission slip attached to this Newsletter. Please return the permission and bus payment to school by the due date. Other year 3 students not involved will remain at school and be the “senior” helpers in Mrs Nestor’s class for part of the day.

Golden Pentagon Celebration Day – Term 3
The students will receive their invitations on Monday 12th September along with their permission slip. This term they will be travelling into Toowoomba to the PCYC and getting involved in a rotation of activities. Soccer, Self-defence/leadership and gymnastics. Following these fun events, they will travel to Picnic Point for a picnic lunch (bring their own) and return to school to have a choice of activities to finish the day.

Student Council Activities for Term 4
We had a productive student council meeting this week. Its great to be able to get back to

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some normality after camps, sickness, sport etc that has occurred over Term 3. The Term 4 school events that the student council will lead are listed below.

**Week 2 Monday 10th October** – Celebrate Science Day. Students can come to school dressed as their favourite scientist (mad or not!) Gold coin donation going to the Student Council. The student council will conduct fun science experiments during first break and second break will see a game of Scientist Bull Rush being conducted under the supervision of Mrs Simpson, who pretends to play but can never keep up with the quick and fit Southbrook Students!

**Week 5 Monday 31st October** – Grandparent’s Day. Yet to be discussed and organised in detail.

**Week 6 Friday 11th November** – Footy Colours Day. Come dressed in your favourite football team colours. Gold coin donation in aid of the Children’s Hospital.

**Week 9 Tuesday 29th November** – Deck to Deck Day. This is just a fun day where students come to school in free dress that is related in some way to a deck of cards! They can be a character from the cards ie Queen of Hearts, Joker or come dressed as a spade, club, heart or come dripping in bling as a diamond! The student council will conduct fun games during the lunch breaks – no “fine” for this free dress day.

**2017 Enrolments**

Nearing the end of every year Regional Office contacts schools to collect information about enrolment numbers for the following year. If you know that you will be moving or your child will not be attending Southbrook Central in 2017, I would appreciate a quick email or any other convenient form of communication. This helps me estimate our student numbers starting in 2017.

A reminder that Mrs Nestor will be away at the Softball State Trials next Thursday and Friday 8, 9 September. Mrs Sue Hass will be on class for these two days.

**On the Horizon – Term 4**

**Dates to put into your diary**

- Week 1 - Monday 3rd October. Public Holiday
- 10th October – Celebrate Science Day
- 13th October – P&C meeting
- 17th October – Pupil Free day – Moderation day and Professional Development Day for teachers
- 2nd November – Softball Carnival at SCSS
- 21-25th November – afternoon swimming lessons
- 30th November – swimming carnival

Enjoy the Pittsworth Sprints over the weekend and I hope our volunteers at the chip stall have a fabulous time.

Warm regards

Terri-Anne

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**Reminders**

**Absenteeism Notifications**

1. Please **notify the school either before or on the day your child will be absent**. This can be done in a few ways: phone call, email to me or SMS to the school mobile on **0429365090** or speak to your child’s teacher. Sending a note on the following day is no longer effective. NB: **The school must be advised each day your child is absent.** If possible, an advance notice of absenteeism via email, mobile message or school phone is a very effective form of communication. Thank you to those parents who already do this.

2. Please ensure your **email and phone details are up-to-date**. This is extremely important as a staff member will need to contact you if we are not advised as to the reason your child

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**School Uniforms**

We strongly encourage all students to be in correct uniform for the following reasons. The wearing of our school uniform is endorsed by our P&C.

**The Southbrook Central State School student dress code assists in providing a safe and supportive school environment by:**

- Allowing ready identification of students;
- Eliminating distraction of competition in dress and fashion at school;
- Fostering a sense of belonging; and
- Developing mutual respect among students through minimising visible evidence of economic or social difference.

There is also a range of second hand uniforms, especially good for those students who are in their last year.
The Definition of Good Parenting

Good parenting involves a great deal of consistency and routine, which gives children a sense of control.

Good parenting focuses on developing independence in children, so redundancy becomes the aim for parents.

Good parenting involves a style that considers children’s age and stage of development. That is, there is a match between expectations, discipline and resilience-building strategies and children’s developmental age.

Good parenting aims at socialising kids. Parents provide children and young people with social scripts to enable them to negotiate their expanding social horizons. This social scripting helps them negotiate their online and offline worlds.

Good parenting develops a growth mindset in kids rather than a mindset that says that a child’s intelligence is fixed. Parenting that develops a growth mindset links kids’ success to effort and strategy as opposed to purely recognising and developing natural ability.

Good parenting focuses on encouragement over praise, consequences over punishment and cooperation over obedience. This ensures parenting matches the times in which we live.

Good parenting insists that kids help at home without being paid so they learn to be givers, not takers.

Good parenting is nuanced to take into account children’s birth order, personality and gender differences. One parenting size doesn’t fit all kids.

According to the best available research the best parenting style is an authoritative style which is a balance of firmness and nurturance. The outcomes are generally best for kids in terms of academic success, mental health and good well-being when they are raised by parents that use an authoritative style.

Families work well when they are guided democracies or benign dictatorships. Someone should be in charge of a family, and it’s a good idea if it’s parents! How does your parenting look? What’s your family like?
P&C Future Event

Southbrook Central P&C are investigating the possibility of starting up an annual trail bike ride early next year. This will help consolidate our fund-raising efforts and raise valuable earnings for our school. In order to do this we require approximately 1000 acres which will accommodate around 600 motorbike riders for a weekend.

The land could include a number of smaller neighbouring places and does not need to be an individual property. It may also be beyond the Southbrook district. If anyone would consider offering their property for a weekend it would be greatly appreciated. For further information please contact Telia Simpson (0414767738)

Student Insurance

Did you know that the P&C pay for student Personal and Accident Insurance every year for your child? The policy cover is provided whilst a student is at school and or undertaking school based activities. In addition, the scope of coverage also includes necessary direct journey travel to and from such activities and or the school. If you would like more information about this, the P&C have left an information booklet in the staffroom for your convenience or you can access further information from this web address.


TUCKSHOP

We are still looking for helpers for Friday Tuckshop days please. If you are able to help for either of the break times, we would greatly appreciate your assistance. Please come and see us either on Tuckshop day or give us or the school a call.

Amy McNab and Kerrie Train

Southbrook Possums Playgroup

We meet at the Southbrook Sports Grounds every Monday between 10am and 12 and welcome any new members with children aged from birth to 5 (prior to starting prep).

Playgroup is a place for you and your child to interact with other parents/caregivers and their children, providing opportunities for play and learning.

Playgroup also develops new skills and helps gain confidence by interacting with other children.

Please contact Kerrie on 0409055679 for further details.

This year our P&C volunteers are raising funds for the following: items for our school:

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Grant Projects

- Children’s Lunch area beatification project

Uniform Shop

SOUTH BROOK CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP
Winter uniforms now available
OPEN TUESDAYS AT 8:30AM OR BY ARRANGEMENT...
0448170049

Thank You!!!
Southbrook Central 2016 School Priorities
EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDING IN READING AND NUMERACY

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Southbrook Central’s 5C’s — Values

- **Consideration**
  Thinking about others

- **Commitment**
  Always doing my best

- **Courage**
  Knowing what is right and acting upon it

- **Care**
  Looking after:
  - Ourselves
  - Our school

- **Courtesy**
  Using manners in all situations

The value for Weeks 7 & 8 is COURAGE. COURAGE is knowing what is right and acting upon it. Be positive. Believe in yourself and have a go. Be truthful. Ask for help.

Below are the processes around our PBL reward system at Southbrook Central
- We have fortnightly focus on one of the 5 values throughout each term
- Coloured Pentagon tokens are given anytime, anywhere to acknowledge any good efforts/behaviours that demonstrate any of the 5 school values. Eg. Student continues reading over holidays and records this in reading diary, the teacher would reward that student with a “Commitment” pentagon for demonstrating commitment to learning.
- The focus value for the fortnight will attract double rewards of that particular token.
- Students collect all pentagon tokens and save these to trade for vouchers sold at the V-Shop.
- Vouchers range from 25, 50, 75, 100, 150, 200, 250 pentagon tokens thus allowing regular reward for students who need this and also allow students to ‘save’ for a more significant voucher reward.
- Participation in end of term Golden Pentagon Celebration day — Students participate upon receiving an invitation. Students excluded from receiving an invitation will have behaviour records in One School for that term. These records are produced through our current behaviour slips/data collection methods which are aligned to our Behaviour matrix consequences. Criteria for which students are excluded from the Golden Pentagon day will be: three or more minor behaviour breaches or one major behaviour breach. This will result in that student not receiving their invitation to attend the golden pentagon reward day and instead, work on goals for next term.
- 3-6 Classroom daily point systems will result in the reward of a pentagon every time students reach 5 points. Pentagons are given at the end of the day. Classroom Jobs in the 3-6 class are categorised under the school values and will be paid in pentagons at the end of the week.
- ‘Student of the week’ rewards continue to be selected by the teacher and will result in a pentagon token reward as well as a certificate during assembly.
- Reading awards will attract a Commitment pentagon every time a student reaches the milestones outlined in their reading diaries. Number fact and spelling post test results will result in a pentagon reward when achieving set target scores.

Classroom Reminders

- Choc chip biscuits for Tuesday— 50 cents each.

Term 3 & Term 4
NO HOMEWORK CLUB
ON THURSDAYS
Ms Holmes

Sporting Schools
Term 4
WATCH THIS SPACE!
We rely on 15 students to continue this program each activity day.

School Banking
School Banking continues every Tuesday. Several students have recently traded in their tokens for reward prizes, so it is good to see them doing regular saving deposits.

Mrs Andrews
Beginning in term two this year, our local schools – Pittsworth, Biddeston, Mt Tyson, Brookstead and Southbrook – combined to participate in an exciting music project with local singer/songwriter, Josh Arnold.

The ‘Walk Together – Toowoomba’ project involved up to 18 schools and approximately 800 students in the Toowoomba region. Each school was a part of an online music documentary series based around a central theme of cultural diversity in our city and surrounding areas.

The central lyric catch phrase is ‘Walk Together – Toowoomba’ as a means of creatively tying in the central message with the culminating performance and production.

Josh Arnold worked with students to teach them the chorus of one powerful piece of music, then collaborated with our students to create and deliver our own unique presentation and performance of the verses and the message.

Part of the chorus was written in the local Jaraowair language and performed by students from all the schools involved. This production encompassed the entire project and was launched at Pittsworth event on Tuesday, 23rd August, where our students performed on stage.

Our production and episode (plus the final production) is uploaded to YouTube and Josh’s website, as well as shared and promoted through social media – tagging Toowoomba Regional Council in each post.

Congratulations to Malachi Garatt, Trenton McNab, Darcy Brown, Sofia Thornber and Taliah Dancey.

Homework Reading Awards WELL DONE! Kaysharn Morrison, Lucy Roberts and Jennifer-May Williams.

CONGRATULATIONS to the students who received a Certificate for their participation in AFL program for Sporting Schools.

A BIG THANK YOU to Mrs Nestor for organising Sporting School’s programs for after school and Jenny Ronnfeldt for assisting.
Are you stressed out? Struggling with depression or anxiety? Lacking energy? Not sleeping well? Have low self-esteem? Want to lose body fat? Improve strength and bone density? Regular exercise has been proven to help these things. Imagine yourself leaner, healthier and happier! With unlimited energy to play with your children, giving your whole family the best life!

At Ministry of Movement we have 2 free classes every week for the community, they are run in conjunction with Toowoomba Regional council’s The Change Project.

Every Tuesday night 5:30-6:30pm Body Pump class (Barbell weights workout for everyone looking to lose weight, improve bone health, get toned, total body workout, great music) and Body Balance every Saturday morning 9:30-10:30am (combine the best of yoga, Tai Chi and Pilates, a flowing class reinforcing flexibility and strength, brings your mind and body into perfect harmony) Both classes are taught worldwide and choreographed and an instructor takes you through the entire class. Please just arrive 10-15 mins before class to fill in form and get setup.

If you would like to look and feel great when summer arrives, now is the time to get fit and lose weight. Any questions please call or come in and see us,
16 Evans Street, Pittsworth
Phone 46933772.

Qld Father of the Year has not been announced yet!! Keep your eyes on this space!!

Bottles of Apple Juice are now just about all sold – thanks for your support!! Only 3 bottles left at the time of typing this.

See you around the school grounds – have a GREAT weekend!

Homemade cards for sale at office. Please come up and check them out. A steal at $2-00 each!

Apple Juice for sale $5-00 bottle in aid of Chaplaincy.

Karen

Family FUN RUN!
Sunday 9th October 2016

ENTRY $10 PER PERSON (FAMILY ENTRY $30)

7.30am Start 7km run/walk
(Motorbike must be no issues or scooters)
Family Friendly course – bring the whole family,
including dogs on leashes) and support the local community,
All walks start and finish at Connolly Park in Pittsworth St.
Support your local school fundraising through this event
Sausage Sizzle and Jumping Castle

Prizes for Best Dressed Team
Highest % of School Group participation

After the event go over to the The Food & Drink Specialties,
have a drink in Pittsworth’s Main Road, eat a delicious breakfast,
or just soak up the friendly atmosphere.

Stay for Awards and presentations of prizes at finish.

The Southbrook Hall Committee invite you to a
end our Spring Ball on
Saturday 3rd September starting at 7pm. There will be prizes for Deb of the
Year, Bell and Matron of the Ball. We would like children from the School
to be involved on the night handing out prizes. Ray Blinco will provide the
music and supper will be served. Ticket Prices: Single $15.00, Family
$30.00. Please let Kerrie Train know if you would like to be involved by
phone or text 0409055679.

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Karen
BOOK TRAIL REFLECTIONS

What a FANTASTIC Australian Themed BOOK TRAIL we had!!!! It was great to see students dressing up and having loads of fun!

Even Grandma Pos and Millicent had fun setting up for the Devonshire Tea for the parents afterwards. ENJOYED BY ALL!!