As term 2 draws to a close we are still full steam ahead here at Amamoor State School. We have had an extremely busy fortnight with excursions, testing, report card writing, working Bees and Mini Sports Carnival. Let's not forget we still have a 5/6 sleep over tonight, a "Gruffalo" Party tomorrow, a disco tomorrow night a farewell party to Ian for RE students on Friday afternoon!! All students and staff will thoroughly enjoy the rest that the 2 weeks holiday will bring. We are all looking forward to another successful term where we strive towards our goals of improving literacy, numeracy, student attendance and the number of students in the Upper 2 Bands.

School Opinion Surveys
In week one next term we will be participating in the School Opinion Survey. The suite of School Opinion Surveys are undertaken each year by the Department of Education and Training to obtain opinion information from parents/caregivers, students and school staff. The surveys are designed to help schools identify what they do well and how they can improve. The School Opinion Survey suite is comprised of five individual surveys:

- Parent/Caregiver Survey
- Student Survey
- Student Survey for Special Schools
- Staff Survey
- Principal Survey

Opinions on the school, student learning and student well-being are sought from a parent/caregiver in all families and a sample of students from each state school. All responses this year will be completed on-line. Slips with login details will be sent home with your child in week 1 next term.

Excellence in Teaching Awards
Parents, Students and community members are invited to nominate an inspirational teacher or educator in this year's ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards. You can nominate online at asg.com.au/nominate by 31 July 2015. For general enquiries call 1800 624 487

Woolworth’s Earn and Learn
This will commence next term and we would really appreciate your support. Could all parents and community members please collect stickers every time you shop at Woolworths. At the end of the term we are able to swap the stickers for resources for our school.

Thankyou
Once again the parents and community members of Amamoor have done a fantastic job supporting the school. It was great to see so many helpers at the Mini Sports Carnival and also the work that was completed in the gardens over the weekend. On behalf of the students and staff I would like to say thank you. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Farewell
It is with sadness that we farewell 4 students from Amamoor at the end of this term. Bridie, Sophie and Eloise Kelly are moving to Victoria and Tristyn Dawson will be moving into Gympie. I would like to thank the students and their families for their positive contribution to our school and wish them the best of luck.

Happy Holidays,
Adam

Support Services for Students
KIDS HELP LINE 1800 551 800
LIFELINE - 13 11 14

What’s on:

JUNE
- 25th Reports go home
- 25th School disco from 5:30pm-7:30pm
- 26th Last day of Term

JULY
- 13th School Resumes
- 13th Tuck shop open today
- 21st P&C Meeting

SCHOOL WATCH 13 17 88

Some of the Handball Winners!
Dear P&C,
A 5/6 excursion is a must have. There is no way that I or any of my peers are going to last another term without an end-of-term-excursion. Everyone in the 5/6 class has contributed to an idea for an excursion. This is what we came up with:
At 3:00 on Wednesday afternoon everyone goes home as usual but the 5/6’s come back at 5:00 after having a shower and getting changed back at home. Then we have some parent volunteers to drive us to ten pin bowling and we have one-two games, then head back to school. For dinner we will have a BBQ, then watch 2 movies and be in bed by 10:30.
I know what you’re thinking “that’s an awesome idea!” Now this may not be that educational but we don’t have much time left to organise anything else and everyone in our class agreed that they love the idea (even Mr. Montgomery) and you have no choice but to love it too. It’s fun and social and we could squeeze in some astronomy to make it all that more educational. It’s a fairly cheap excursion because most of the excursion will be at school, and since there is no camp this year, it’s an amazing opportunity.
Overall, our excursion will be packed with fun, friends and a hint of education. There is no way you could decline it!!!
Many thanks, Mikayla Lawler on the behalf of 5/6.

Dear P & C

Class 5/6 is so excited to camp at school. Students can learn to interact with other students not normally in their comfort zone. We can make new friendships. You can show that as well as school is a place of learning but also a place of fun.

At school children don’t learn the importance of working together as a team and caring about other students. Next education is very important so 5/6 have been studying angles and a thing such as linear relationships in geography. This could be used studying the stars at night. We will also go Ten Pin Bowling and that comes down to calculating km/h and accuracy. Again, I ask you, please let us camp at school.

Regards,

Dear parents and carers/community we would really, really love to have a sleepover, ten pin bowling and movie night. It would be very, very educational and we would have so much fun. We could count the scores at ten pin bowling. The people at the ten pin bowling ally could turn the computers off and we could add up the scores up. It will be so much fun.

Regards
Jess
P&C News

★ Please note that tuckshop will be running on the first day back at school Monday the 13th July
Well here we are at the end of another term and half way through what is proving to be a very productive year. Our Kitchen Garden is coming along in leaps and bounds and what a wonderful achievement it is. Last weekend we held 2 working bees on Saturday and Sunday which allowed more folks to attend and the results of which were outstanding. I would like to extend an enormous thank you to all who attended and who put in 110% effort. It is wonderful to see that so many parents share the vision and are willing to invest their valuable time to make this project happen. The children of Amamoor will be reaping the benefits of this valuable resource for many years to come. But don't just take my word for it, drop in and see for yourself. I'm sure you'll be suitably impressed. Have a safe and happy holiday and see you all in Term 3.
Donna Rasmussen

Disco: Our P&C is always quick to take every opportunity to raise funds for our school whenever possible, but we also recognize that there are others in need of a hand. With that in mind, our end of term Disco will be raising much needed funds to assist drought stricken farmers in western Qld and all proceeds will go to the Buy a Bale Foundation. Please support this very worthy cause by sending your kids along for an evening of fun. 5:30 - 7:30 this Thursday in Mrs Broome's class room. $5 per student or $10 per family. It would be greatly appreciated if each family attending could bring along a plate of food to share.

Centrelink News: Are you or someone you know required to do volunteer work in order to receive their Centrelink payments? If so, we are pleased to announce that our school has now been approved by Centrelink as an authorised volunteer organization. This means that you can nominate to do your volunteering hours at Amamoor State School. This is a wonderful outcome for the school as it will mean that we will have helpers to assist in the gardens and upcoming orchard. Contact Centrelink to find out how to volunteer at school.

Lap-A-Thon and Mini Sports: A huge thank you to the parents who assisted in running these events and catering for such a huge crowd. Numbers for Mini Sports this year exceeded our expectations and we completely sold out of food. It was a fantastic effort by all involved. Please make sure that all Lap-a-thon money is returned this week.

Bush Dance: The dance is nearly upon us and we would still like to hear from all who plan to attend whether or not you can bring some home bake for supper. We don't need specific attendance numbers but we do need to know how much food people plan to bring so that we can ensure everyone is catered for. Please return your forms to the office or if you don't have one, a note will be fine. Also, we would still appreciate more raffle prize donations, so don't forget to ask your favourite business if they would be willing to support our school with the donation of a prize.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program: Woolworths is once again running this program and Amamoor has registered to be a part of it. The program begins on 15th July and all you have to do is collect the sticker tokens every time you shop at Woolies, stick them on the card and when it's full, bring them in to school and we'll do the rest. This program provides educational equipment to schools and the more tokens we collect the more items we receive. Tell your family and friends and make sure they collect the tokens as well.

"If you have any queries, please don’t hesitate to approach the P&C team, we’d only be too glad to hear your ideas”. How to contact your P&C.

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Target Areas for Improvement (As stated in 2015 Annual Implementation Plan):
• Literacy
• Numeracy
• Attendance
• Students achieving in the Upper 2 bands.

Chappy’s Chat...

What a way to finish the term! We had our final pancake breakfast with Pastor Ian, followed by our handball competition. I am proud to announce that the winners are as follows: P/1/2 class Bridie, Ariella, Raydon & Imogen. 3/4 class Maverick, Alyssa, Tristyn & Miranda. 5/6 class Reece, Benjamin, Jess & Shania.

Next term is looking good. What you can expect from me next term is a values based article every newsletter, plus an update on programs, activities and other exciting things that are happening in the chaplaincy world. To start us off, I am running two parent information afternoons next term, to inform parents about the program I will be running in school time, starting the 11th of August, called Friends for Life. Friends for Life is a social skills program that also looks at resiliency and anxiety prevention. This is for all students, and I would encourage you as parents to attend one of these sessions to simply be informed of the program. If you would like your student to participate in the program, permission forms will be available at those information sessions. The first information session will be held on Tuesday the 21st of July from 2:30pm-3:30pm and the second will be held on Wednesday the 29th of July, time to be confirmed. If you would like to attend, but the Tuesday time does not suit you, please let Lisa in the office know what time would suit you best for the Wednesday afternoon, and I will try and accommodate as best I can.

This program is just one of the things that will be happening over the next term, and I look forward to letting you know more of the fun things that will be happening from the start of next term.

Have a fantastic week!
Looking forward to seeing you,
Chappy Caitlin

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**WHAT IS INVOLVED? TIME…**
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**COST…**
FREE

**MAKING AN APPOINTMENT…**
Contact Josh at the GYMPIE MYCP CENTRE on 0408 701 039. A time will be made to discuss the program with you and answer any questions that you may have.

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COMMUNITY BBQ
FRIDAY 26TH JUNE
Amamoor Station 5:30 start
BYO Salad and drinks, ALL WELCOME

ICY CUPS ON SALE
EVERY FRIDAY
AFTER SCHOOL 3:00PM
TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THE GRADE 6 GRADUATION

TUCKSHOP………………Mondays
CRAFT CLUB………………Monday lunchtime
CAMERA CLUB…………Tuesday lunchtime
BREAKFAST CLUB………Tuesday mornings
PLAYGROUP………………Tuesdays 9-11am
From the Principal:
- Playgroup every Tuesday 9-11am.
- Tuckshop every Monday.
- Craft Club every Monday at 1:15pm.

**BUSH DANCE**

to raise funds for Amamoor State School P&C

Saturday 25th JULY 2015

at the AMAMOOR HALL

35 Busby St, Amamoor Q 4570

LUCKY DOOR & BEST DRESSED PRIZES

MULTI-DRAW RAFFLE $2 A TICKET

Delicious SUPPER included in admission price.

Softdrinks & Chips available for purchase

Grey Cato

™ LIVE MUSIC

All dances will be taught on the night including some well known favourites... with Dance Callers to guide group bush dancers.

ADMISSION: ADULTS $10.00  CHILDREN $2.50  FAMILY $25.00

6:30pm DOORS OPEN  7:00pm DANCING STARTS

For more details call DIANE CLEARY 5484 3037 or 0468 494 029

All donations and multi-draw raffle prizes gratefully received.

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