Principals Pen,

I would like to congratulate all of the staff and students who were involved in our school musical -“Aladdin JR”. A huge thank to Mrs Smith, Mr McPherson and Mrs Rodgers who worked with our students during morning tea, lunch, after school and on weekends rehearsing for Aladdin. Thank you to the teachers who worked behind the scenes while supporting the cast and crew of Aladdin. Thank you to parents and members of the P&C who also worked with our students and staff during rehearsals for the days and weeks before the performance, during the performance and after the event. “Aladdin JR” was truly a success and the positive feedback can be heard at school and within our local community.

Years 5 & 6 students who are keen to take on leadership positions in 2014 should ensure that their nomination forms are handed to the office by Thursday 31st October. School Captain nominees from Year 6 will present their speeches to year 3, 4, 5 & 6 students on Tuesday 5th November between 9:15 - 10:15am in the covered area.

School Captain nominees from year 5 will present their speeches to year 3, 4, 5 & 6 students on Wednesday 6th November between 9:15am – 10:15am in the covered area. Students will then vote after the speeches. The second part of the process, which involves an interview, will occur in Week 6.

Candidates for Sporting House captaincy will be involved in the voting process at the end of Week 6. The last round of selection will involve student leaders, an Instrumental Music leader and a Choral leader, and will occur in Week 7. We hope to announce all positions for 2014 by the end of week 8.

Dalby State School’s end of the year concert will now be held on Monday 2nd December at the Great Hall. Our Cultural and Sports Award Ceremony will be held on Thursday 5th December between 9 -10am. Our Academic Ceremony will be held on Monday 9th November at Kavney Hall between 9 -10am. Our Annual Swimming Carnival will be held during the second last week of school at the Dalby Aquatic Centre.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 8 November Prep transition day 9:00 to 11:30.
- 11 November book fair
- 12 November Tallebudgera camp meeting @3:15pm
- 12 November P&C Meeting @ 5pm
- 26 & 28 November Prep uniform purchasing days
- 29 November Yr 1 excursion
- 2 December School concert
- 3 December Yr 3 swimming carnival
- 5 December Cultural and sports award ceremony
- 6 December Yr 4-7 swimming Carnival
- 9 December Academic award ceremony

LIFT Playgroup is on every Monday, Thursday and Friday from 9.00-11.00.

Our fun Mr Music Man sessions are now starting at 9.30am

THIS WEEKS COOL TOOL:

USE KIND WORDS
Principal pen continued,

Schools across Queensland are encouraged to give a special thank you to their tuckshop workers and volunteers on Tuckshop Day, which is the 1st Friday in November. At Dalby State School we would like to say thank you to all tuckshop volunteers and to our tuckshop convenor for the work that is done daily in the tuckshop, such as preparing food and keeping the tuckshop well-stocked.

It is important that we recognise the different roles that people play at our school and how valuable these roles are at Dalby State School. We know that our organisation cannot operate without the commitment made by many people. It is clear that being ‘people-powered’ is a big driver towards achieving success. Hence, your constant support is important to our school.

Have a wonderful week.

Regards,
Ms Mona Anau, Principal

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**Year 5 poetry writing sample**

**TRUE HALLOWEEN MONSTERS**

The full moon rises on Halloween night,
Don't be scared, don't scream with fright.
Witches, Warlocks, Ghouls and ghost,
Which of these scare you most.
There's only one thing truly scary,
And they aren't big and hairy.
They're actually small and very cute,
But inside hide a little brute.
You might have guessed, but little brothers,
They are scarier than all the others.

GRACE

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**Dalby State School**

**Prep 2014**

You are invited to attend our 2014 Prep Transition Day on Friday 8th November 9:00-11:30.

Come and experience Prep at Dalby State School. Preppies will need a hat, water bottle and morning tea.

Parents are invited back for a parent information session from 11:00-11:30.

We look forward to meeting you.

Enquiries: 07 4672 3666

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**CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

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Congratulations Students of the Week
SPORTS NEWS:

DD AQUATHLON
Last Friday five students from Dalby State School competed in the Darling Downs Aquathlon. Congratulations to Camryn Marini, Kaylee Fermor, Karla Sankey, Jake Rynne and Jake Cosgrove.

SWIMMING:
We have made a great start to our swimming program with many enthusiastic students as well as some great parent helpers. Just a reminder that before students swim they must have paid swimming fees for term 1 and 4. If you are unsure if your fees are paid please contact the school office.

TOUCH:
This weekend the Dalby State School Boys and Girls Touch Teams will travel to Redlands to play in the Queensland All Schools Touch Tournament. Please pay your Nomination Fee at the office before Friday.

TUCKSHOP NEWS:
Please note price change: Mini Pies are $1.80 not $1.50 as printed on the menu.

UNIFORM SHOP:
Commencing this week the uniform shop will be operating on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8.30am to 9.30am, as well as the normal tuckshop days. These new hours of operation will continue through to the end of the year to make the purchasing of uniforms easier for parents. The uniform shop now has all sock sizes available.

We are again having special uniform purchasing days when you can book a time at your convenience. These days are Tuesday 26th November & Thursday 28th November. Please phone the school office on 4672 3666 to arrange a time.

STUDENT BANKING COMPETITION

FANTASTIC PRIZES TO WIN
60 x Apple iPod touch 16GB
100 x Adventure DVD packs
(includes Despicable Me, HOP & Despicable Me 2)

All you need to do to enter this great competition is make two or more School Banking deposits between the 21st October, and the 30th November, 2013. You will then automatically be in the draw to win these fantastic prizes.

Thank you for supporting our school and teaching your children the important life skill of saving money.

Regards,
Kym Burton
School Banking Co-ordinator

TALLEBUDGERA CAMP:

Next year Yr 6 and Yr 7 will both attend Camp on the week beginning 10 March 2014. We have been allocated places for 90 students only. We will be holding a parent meeting on 12th November 2013 at 3:15 to pass on further information. Notes regarding camp will be sent home with students this week with how and when to pay your deposit.

Dalby Netball Association Inc.
Trials for the 2014 Dalby Inter-District Representative Teams will be held at the Dalby PCYC Indoor Courts on 9th November 2013.

Under 11 & Under 12 - 1:00pm (Those turning 11 in 2014, turning 12 in 2014 etc)
Under 13 & Under 14 - 2:00pm
Under 15, Under 16 & Open - 3:00pm

Please arrive at least 20 minutes prior for registration.

Inter-district teams play in an inter-district competition held once a month on a Sunday usually commencing in March and finishing in August and also as a team in the Dalby PCYC competition held on Saturdays from April to September.

For further information contact:
Jo Bond (President) 0409590335
Kerryn Allen (Secretary) 0488650123
Jenny Bailey (Treasurer) 0427635528

When: 12-14 January 2014
Where: Toowoomba Grammar School
Age: 10-13 year old boys
Cost: $275 (incl GST) Live out $400 (incl GST) Live in
Inquiries: (Sport and Activities Office)
T: (07) 4687 2529
E: w.brown@twgs.qld.edu.au
R.S.V.P.: Friday 15 November 2013