In the final week of this term we continue to work towards ensuring all students are working to the best of their abilities in all areas of their learning. A big thank you to all our families, that have been able to come in and help out in our classrooms or support around the school to make sure that our students are given the best opportunities. Thank you to the parents and families that were able to support our Freaky Friday Disco and thank you to Adrienne Promnitz who helped organise the disco. A big thank you to all our staff who were able to give up their Friday night to support our students in running the disco. Over the holidays we are hoping all students and families stay well and recover from the Term 3.

We look forward to seeing everyone back on the Tuesday 8th October fresh and ready for Term 4.

**P/1/2 Excursion/Camp Reminder**: Students that are sleeping over will need to bring a school uniform and lunch for Wednesday.

**Yr 4/5 News**

Only 1 marble to go until we earn “Chill Out Day”. For one session we get to “chill out” by reading a book, playing a game, drawing or colouring. Students may bring a cushion or pillow to assist to chill out.

We are once again running low on equipment so pencil cases will be coming home for the holidays. Please check these and restock. Some students also need new books (especially maths), can you please check with your child.  

Dianne

**Library**

All borrowed library books were due to be returned today (Monday 16th). If you still have a library book at home please return as soon as possible.

**A Minute with Chappy**

I want to encourage you over these coming school holidays to use the opportunity to spend quality time with your children. Include them in your daily activities and plan special ‘events’ together. These could be as simple as having a backyard picnic together; visit to the zoo/gardens; get together with other families; movie dates; bushwalking and other outdoor activities; have a ‘wet day’; playdough; the preparation and cooking of meals together, etc. Special moments don’t have to cost anything except your time (and perhaps patience), but your children will treasure the good memories in their hearts forever! Enjoy the holidays, and see you next term!

**SHINE**

Next term, our year 6/7 girls will have the opportunity to participate in a unique personal development and group mentoring program called ‘SHINE’. This program was developed in 1997, is currently run in over 30 nations and has impacted the lives of over 20,000 girls and women. SHINE is founded upon the premise that every life counts and has value.

The program communicates the three concepts of “I have worth, I have strength, and I have purpose”, and comes highly recommended by a number of primary and high schools in the Rockhampton Region. Chappy Ron will be organising SHINE at Bouldercombe, which will be facilitated by a small team of leaders from Oasis New Life Centre. The program is funded via sponsorship and is being provided at no cost to the girls or school.
P&C News  I was fortunate enough to attend the P&C’s Qld State conference, on the weekend. I will provide a full update at the next P&C monthly meeting (9th October), however one of the highlights was the opportunity on Saturday afternoon to talk with the new DETE Director-General Jim Watterston, who was appointed in April this year. He has refreshing vision for education in Queensland and highlighted, to all the delegates, the importance of each local community in setting the direction of their schools.

Remember: reading at home with your children really does make a difference. Thanks, Gene

A Note from your School Photographer Special group photos: Sports captains, Project Club, Senior Leaders, Seniors, Choir, Athletics Team, Soccer White, Soccer Black, Netball and EQ Netball. Theses presentations are 8” x12” group photo presentations with the children standing together with their individual portraits below. These special group photo presentations are available for purchase for only $27 each by collecting an envelope from the school office. You have until Friday, 20th September 2013 to purchase at this price.

Birthdays: Happy Birthday to Tas (16th) and Katelyn (17th) who celebrate their birthday this week. Happy Birthday to Riley (24th), Jorja (26th), Raphu (27th), Matilda (30th), Kayla (30th), Jacob (3rd Oct) and Breeana (4th Oct) who celebrate their birthday over the holidays.

Students of the Week:
P/1- Madison & Ewen
1/2- Lydia & Chelsea
2/3- Caitlyn & Rorie
3/4- Liam & Luken
4/5- Shelby, Riley, Chelsea & Nikia
6/7- Gabby & Rohan

The Golden Mount Festival Committee are proud to present The Rockhampton Remote Controlled Car Drift Club who are pleased to show and demonstrate this exciting sport. Gold Coin Entry at Mt Morgan High School on Sunday 22nd September, 10am – 4pm. Members of Rockhampton Remote Control Drift Club in conjunction with Rory’s RC Hobby House will be bringing their own equipment & also cars that the general public can hire for $5 per half hour per person. Gate Prize $20 voucher donated by Gracemere Hardware. Raffle - RC Car donated by RAMMS BI/RITE Electrical Store Mt Morgan. Refreshments for sale.

Keep a watch on our school these holidays Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 13 17 88. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don’t intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

UPCOMING EVENTS
Monday 16 September P/1/2 Excursion/Camp Forms & Payment Due
Monday 16 September Fete Meeting @ 2.30pm in Tuckshop
Tuesday 17 September Swimming Permission Forms & Payment Due
Tuesday 17 September P/1/2 Excursion/Camp
Thursday 19 September Tuckshop
Friday 20 September Yr7 vs Teacher/Parent Tball Game
Friday 20 September Last Day Term 3
Monday 7 October Public Holiday
Tuesday 8 October Term 4 Commences
Wednesday 9 October P&C Meeting 4.15pm (All Welcome)
Monday 21 October Student Free Day