**Weekly Newsletter Competition:** Parents and Carers, please fill in and sign the area below for your child/children to go in the weekly draw to win a $6.00 Tuckshop lunch for one. **Don’t forget, your child needs to be at parade to claim prize. Don’t be late.**

Only one entry per family

How many ‘steps’ are there, to be an Active Listener?

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Child/ren’s name/s: ________________________________ Signed: _________________________24/02/2017

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Don’t forget to put your weekly Newsletter competition form in, before parade each week. The last winners, Mikayla and Tye, won tuckshop items totalling $6.00.

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**STUDENT OF THE WEEK!**

- **Being Organised**
  - **Mrs Thompson/Pitkin:** Ava
    - For: Being well organised and prepared for learning.
  - **Mrs Hazeldene:** Jone
    - For: Always being organised for every activity.
  - **Mrs Trimper:** Seannah and Isabel
    - For: Always organising herself and her belongings carefully.
    - For: Always on time and organised for every school activity.
  - **Miss Eggers:** Cameron
    - For: Being constantly organised for all school activities.
  - **Mr Trott:** Chris M
    - For: Having himself and his gear ready, quickly and quietly.
  - **Mr Morrow:** Evelyn
    - For: Always being organised and ready to learn.

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**Robotics**

Robotics Lunch times for this year has started on Wednesdays and Fridays. Again this year Mr Chris Edwards will assist this group with a new volunteer Mr Thomas McInnerney (Mr Thomas). There will be robotics and Scratch sessions in the second break Wednesday and first break Friday as well as some in class work.

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**Dance (Years 3-6)**

Free Hip Hop dance classes have started on Monday & Wednesday (8-8:30am) with Tesi. Thursday is Jazz with Nikki (8-8:30am). These classes are free and parent permission is required. Students need to be at the hall by 8am. No student can enter the lesson after warm-up has begun. Warm-up decreases injuries occurrence.

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**SPORTS AWARDS**

(Played 10th February 2017)

- **Senior Girls Touch Football:** Rita
- **Junior Girls Touch Football:** Ternisha & Taylor
- **Senior Boys AFL:** Latrell
- **Junior Boys AFL:** Jake

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**Morning Tea**

All parents are invited to a morning tea on Thursday 23rd Feb at 8.30am in the parent room. Please bring a plate if possible. Contact Debbie on 0457769096 for more information.

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**LIFELINE BOOK FEST 2017**

Held at Toowoomba Show grounds
Sat March 4 8am—5pm & Sun March 5 8am—2pm
Enquiries 1300 991 443

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**Goolburri Health Service**

Goolburri are offering $30 Cole’s vouchers for children’s health checks at their clinic. This offer is for children who have not had a health check. Please phone the clinic on 46320338 to make an appointment. Appointments are bulk billed. Transport is available on request at the time of booking.

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**What’s On...**

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Dear Parents, Carers & Students,

Thank you to the people who attended the P&C Meeting last Monday night. Lots of new faces which is great. Don’t forget AGM 13 March.

Our school goal is: Every Student Succeeding in 2017, Every Single Day Counts & Life’s pathways multiplied through education. Well done to all families who have been at school every day this term. We have only 1 class with less than 90% attendance. Let’s keep it up! Research proves that high attendance results in higher NAPLAN scores, increased learning and increased life chances.

Positive Behaviour for Learning-PBL

*Being an Active Listener* is our focus this fortnight. All classes have a Behaviour Wall and the Gotcha shop will change to operating on Tuesday from this week. Here is a YouTube clip you may like to watch with your children. It explains how students can actively listen at school.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8XUE3urt3fC and
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mr6JvqyLiZ8&list=PL6g0ULLNzh3PCYJWF2am_HZ6DsEr_iYK&index=4

PBL is all about our school’s behaviour expectations and processes. Ask your children to tell you about it or come and chat to someone at school if you want to know more. Notice boards around the school have the program with positive and negative behaviour outcomes displayed.

**Attendance**

WOW! Our attendance is skyrocketing for all students with 93.1%. Congratulations to Year 6 for having 97% attendance this term. They enjoyed sitting on the seats at Friday’s parade.

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Who will win the attendance race this year – boys or girls? **Boys = 93.4% and Girls= 92.6%**

**P&C Tuckshop**

Tuckshop is Wednesdays and Fridays. Please order at Tuckshop before school and orders will come to the hall. Volunteers are always welcome. Money raised helps the school with extras for our students.

**Bike Safety**

Last week Year 4 and 5 students attended the PCYC courses with Mr Trott. This week, Year 4 will do their final session on Tuesday.

**Friday Sport (Upper School)**

Make sure your bus money is at the office by Friday morning. Students need to bring plenty of water and their hats.

**Swimming**

These lessons have started. **Students MUST wear a cap when swimming**. These can be purchased from the office for $2.50 (red, blue, yellow or green)

**Breakfast Club**

Downlands College have started Breakfast Club in the Parent Room on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 am.

Have a great week. Keep cool and drink plenty of water. See you at school every day.

Maxine Lester
Principal

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