### Coal and Country Art Competition

Last week the students submitted their entries for the Moura Coal and Country Festival Art competition. This is an art competition entered by all the students from Moura SS, Banana SS and Bauhinia SS. Our school did extremely well, placing in every level.

- **Year 1** – 1st - Charlotte Nobbs, 2nd - Penny Colyer
- **Year 3** – 2nd - Amber Woodard, 4th - Xavier Russell-Kennedy
- **Year 4** – 2nd - Lakisha Woodard
- **Year 5** – 2nd - Claire Colyer
- **Year 6** – 3rd - Zenan Saltner

Congratulations to you all, what a wonderful effort! The artwork of the place getters is now on display in the window on the corner of Gillespie Street and the Dawson Highway in Moura.

### Parent teacher interviews

Parent teacher interviews will be held in the first week of term 4. A note for parents to indicate their preferred date and time will be sent home in the coming weeks. We strongly encourage all parents to take up this opportunity to discuss your child’s progress with their teacher.

### School Photos

Michelle Hutchinson will be shooting our school photos again this year. On Monday a form will be sent home outlining the various packages available. This year, there will be an option to purchase the group photo as a collage design made up of the best individual photos of students, similar to the one displayed in the front office.

**School photos will be taken on Wednesday 7th September.**

### Jumpers

There are occasions where the temperature at school, in the classroom and in the eating areas, is quite cool. We strongly encourage all students to keep a jumper in their bag, even if they do not feel cold in the mornings.
Be Here.... And Party!

As I have mentioned in previous newsletters, our attendance levels have dramatically improved this year. This has meant we have more students in our school able to get on with the core business of a school; learning. I am so proud of the students at Bauhinia State School, who making gains each day.

Part of improving attendance was the introduction of the Be Here parties in August 2015. Some concerns around these parties have been brought to my attention. I appreciate this feedback, and would like to reassure all parents that we are working hard on a solution. The current program will be in place for the remainder of the term. I would also like to reassure all parents that students who are not attending Be Here parties are still having a fabulous time playing at lunch.

In term 4, a redesigned program using feedback from parents and students, will commence. The core focus of attendance will still remain. My job is to ensure we make every day count. To do this we all need to work together so your children can grow and learn.

I also feel it is important, at this time, to remember that we have a wonderful school with lots of positive opportunities for your children happening each day. We have a very dedicated staff that often give up their own time to run programs and engage in learning experiences outside of school hours.

Attending school every day is extremely important. When your child is here they are engaging with valuable curriculum content, which improves their success for their end of semester grade.

Thank you for the effort you are making to ensure your children are coming to school. I know that rearranging your schedule to ensure your child’s education is a priority is not always easy.

We love seeing your children here each day learning, growing and having fun with their friends.

FiZZ!

We are thrilled to announce that we have secured the Shake & Stir Theatre Company to visit our school. The theatre company will be performing an incredible modern day opera, titled FiZZ! The opera focuses on the big issues facing children today - self-confidence, bullying, honesty and friendship.

The performance will be held at the Bauhinia Community Hall on Wednesday 31st August 2016 at 1:45pm. It will run for an hour. We would love to have all parents share in this amazing display of culture. Unfortunately the theatre company has advised that this performance is only suitable for school-aged children to attend. This is due to nature of the performance where audience members are expected to sit and watch the performance quietly, without moving around the venue.

The school will be subsidising $3.00 for each school student from the $8.00 student fee, making the cost for each student $5 each.

Adults who wish to attend the performance are required to pay the full amount of $8.00.

Thank you to Miss Taylor for organising this wonderful performance for our students and families.
It is hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of August. Mornings have been cold again in Rockhampton. There were a few students and teachers away last week at my base school due to illness. I hope you haven’t caught a cold.

**Japanese Class**
The students have been working very hard to compose their speech scripts. Many students were very keen to make their speeches lengthier. When the students have finished their scripts, they will start practising their speeches.

As soon as we finish the current unit, we will focus on writing. The competition below is a great introduction to writing scripts.

**CQ Languages Art Contest**
Students are invited to enter the CQ Languages Art Contest where they are required to submit a picture they have created that incorporates a word, not letters of choice from the target language (Japanese) they are currently studying. The word within the picture is to be perfectly legible and can be identified easily. The word should be used creatively to represent a theme. Please see the examples.

Look forward to receiving entries!!!
Entry fee is non-refundable.

Yours in language,
Kanako Iwakura
eLearning Japanese Teacher

**ANGELENE[char]**: $2.00 Entry Fee

Target language word: 猫
Language: Japanese
Meaning: Cat

Target language word: 家
Language: Japanese
Meaning: House

Entry form and $2 due back to Mrs Fitzpatrick
Tuesday 30.8.16

ART WORK DUE - FRIDAY 09.09.16
What We Are Learning
In P12T

Poetry
Miss Polly

Writing

Listening to Reading

Maths

Capacity

Sentence Construction

Chappy Di Time

Maths
Does Attendance Really Matter?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but.......

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If you want your child to be successful at school then YES, attendance does matter.

We have a great school and we love seeing your kids here every day enjoying themselves, learning and spending time with their friends.

Every Day Counts
Created in collaboration with shake and stir theatre co, FIZZ! pops the big issues facing little people today – self-confidence, bullying, honesty and friendship.

This modern adaption of Donizetti’s The Elixir of Love is presented against a dynamic multi-media backdrop and performed by three effervescent youthful opera performers and an on-screen cast of some of the state’s most experienced singers.

FIZZ! takes place in family run supermarket Belcore’s Fine Foods, where shelf stacker and textbook nerd Nemorino is desperate to gain the attention of beautiful checkout girl Adina. Unfortunately his nerves – and spoilt kid Benny Belcore - get in the way.

When Dr Dulcamara Enterprises introduces a new drink product to the market – claiming to transform you into a new and improved version of yourself – Nemorino thinks his prayers have been answered.

Is FIZZ! the solution?

MEET YOUR 2016 FIZZ! CAST

JONATHAN HICKEY
Nemorino

IRENA LSUK
Adina

TIM CARROLL
Benny Belcore