We have had another great fortnight at school, and I have been very impressed with the progress that has been made. Whether it is the Prep group learning what a noun is, a Year 5 boy getting all his multiplication facts right, or a spelling group moving up a level, it has been great to see our students learning and moving forward.

**Read Every Day**
Thanks to the staff and volunteers who make themselves available to read with our students every day. The P-2 class have home reader and sight words that we encourage all students to read with someone when they get to school, to continue to develop fluency by reading familiar texts and practicing the sight words that they are learning. In my class all students should have an Accelerated Reader book that they are reading and then logging on to a quiz online once they are complete. A special thanks also to the people who are involved in the support-a-reader program that we have in place for students who need some extra support.

**International Women’s Day – Make It Happen!**
The theme for International Women’s Day which we celebrated as a staff on Monday morning was ‘Make it Happen’. I would like to acknowledge the wonderful ‘Make It Happen’ attitude of the women involved in our school, both staff and community.

**Durkin and Black – Vision Screening**
Durkin and Black Grand Central have extended their vision screening services to those students who could not attend on Friday 27th of February when Sara Black came and visited our school. If you ring and book an appointment, mention Pilton State School and you will be bulk billed for the consultation, meaning that it will not cost you anything to access this service. Vision screening reports have been handed out today for parents to see the results and recommendations from the screening that occurred at school. Please ensure that you are assisting your student by following up on any of the vision screening recommendations, and if you need assistance please come and ask us at school and we will help were we can.

**School Leader’s Morning Tea**
On behalf of our school leaders I would like to thank everyone who attended the School Leader’s Morning Tea to see them be awarded their school shirts, leader’s badges and certificates from the Federal MP the Honourable Bruce Scott. It is a significant event in their school lives and the opportunity to demonstrate the type of person they will choose to be in life has begun!

**Nobby Triathlon**
13th March

**Toowoomba Show Holiday**
19th March

**Young Leader’s Day**
20th March

**Mayor’s Morning Tea**
26th March

**P&C Clearing Sale Fundraiser**
28th March

**P&C Meeting**
4th May

They will be attending a conference in Brisbane for Young Leader’s Day on the 20th March and a morning tea with the Mayor of the Toowoomba Regional Council on the 26th March. Fundraising for the school leader shirts has been successful and our Year 5 students have commenced raising revenue for their shirts for next year.

**Cross Country**
Our school will be hosting the cross country for the Central Downs schools in week 1 of next term. Please see the notice from the P&C about the catering at school on the day. This information has been passed on to all the schools in the cluster and we look forward to having a great day! We have been doing some jogging in the first 15 minutes of the day at school, but I encourage any students from my class who wish to do well at this event to go for a couple of 2-3km runs over the next few weeks to build some condition for the event.

**Pink Stumps Day**
Chappy Karl is organising the Pink Stumps Day for which you will see an advertisement in this newsletter. Please come along on the day for a great time for a great cause. We may even be able to put together a Pilton State School community team in the event on the day and challenge all comers!

All the best,
Jon Robertson
Southern Districts Conservation and Pest Management Coordinated Wild Dog/Fox Baiting Program

Under Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002 it is the responsibility of landowner to take reasonable steps to keep their land free of all declared class 2 pest animals.

Council’s Conservation and Pest Management Section assist landowners to meet their obligation by offering 1080 service. This service is coordinated several times a year primarily targeting feral predator population and are timed to coincide with target animal biology.

Date: 23rd March
Bait Station: Pilton Hall
Time: 9.00 am - 10.15 am

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Student Exchange is looking for host families across Australia to welcome overseas students into their home

Visit www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student or call 1300 135 331 for more information.

Clifton basketball sign up day 25th March 4.30 pm. All forms need to be filled out and paid for on the day. $65.00 under 10s & $80.00 u14s & opens. Season starts after Easter 5 - 10 year olds play 3.45 pm 11 - 14 year olds play 4.30 pm opens play 6pm.
Phone Angela 0408987322 or Kay 46958575

A Swag of Tales
Mayor Paul Antonio and Councillors
of Toowoomba Regional Council
take pleasure in extending a warm invitation to
Mr Jon Robertson and School Leaders of
Pilton State School
to attend the
Mayor’s Annual Morning Tea
for Primary School Captains and Leaders
Thursday 26th March 2015, 10am til 11:30am
The Empire Church Theatre
54 Neil Street, Toowoomba

RSVP using the slip enclosed by Friday 20th March 2015
to allow for the printing of the program.
Any queries contact Mayor’s Reception: 07 4688 4455 or email:
mayor@toowoomba.qld.gov.au.
(The Mayor will be hosting all Toowoomba and Regional Primary Schools at the Morning Tea
where we expect students from 72 schools to attend. Therefore, we would appreciate the
number of students attending from each school he is invited to if possible.)

This year at the Central Downs Cross Country on the 22nd of April at
Pilton State School the P&C will be having a sausage sizzle and selling the following food and drinks
for attendees at the event:

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We look forward to having students from our area at Pilton State School and enjoying a great day!
Hi all

Thank you very much to those who baked and worked on the day of the Clearing sale. We don't have an exact final figure but the profit will be somewhere around $950, a great result for the P & C.
Well done to the school leaders who also made a good profit selling chocolates.

I would especially like to thank Graham Dau for donating the bread, Chris and Phillip Moar for donating the onions, and the Dewar family for donating the lettuce. We really appreciate your generosity.

We have another smaller clearing sale on Saturday the 28th of March. If anyone can volunteer on that day for a couple of hours, please let myself, Brooke or Rebekah know.

I have postponed ordering the school jackets until next Monday the 16th March.
Please let me know by then on 46964508 or jacq.gill@yahoo.com.au if you would like one. They are $45 for kids and $50 for adults. The payment will not be due for at least another couple of weeks.

Our next P & C meeting is on Monday the 4th of May commencing at 6.00pm.

Thank you

Jacqui

Please make cheques payable to:

Pilton State School P&C

For EFT payments:
BSB: 084 610
Account Name: Pilton State School P&C
Account Number: 508 683 666
In science we were making moons. We were eating the cream off the biscuits to make the phases of the moon. By The Preps.

As a school leader I promise to be strong and willing.
I will look after every student, listen to every teacher and do what I am told.
I will be a respectful learner, stay safe and I will respect everyone.
By Leon Caldwell

As a School Leader I promise to lead by my example and help others when they need it. I also promise to follow the school motto ‘Strong and Willing’.
As School Leader I hope I can make my teachers and fellow students proud in and out of school.
It is an honour to be a School Leader at our beautiful school.
By Casee Flanagan

In English we wrote a fantasy story. Then we typed our story onto an iPad to make a book out of it in Book Creator. Each of our stories had to have illustrations, a cover page and the text.
When our books were finished we saved them into EBooks and we all read our book to the Preps to Y2. They really loved our stories and we enjoyed making a story book we could share.
By Stewart and Jordan.

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By The Preps.