**Literacy and Numeracy Projects.**
This year, some of our students have had the opportunity to be part of on-line literacy and numeracy projects. Both come under the name *Project 600*. The literacy project was aimed at Year 3 students especially targeting students capable of scoring in the top two NAPLAN bands and was aimed at developing comprehension skills. Because of the nature of this project, Mrs Heaton was able to run the project for all Year 3 and 4 students.

The literacy project finished early in this term.

The numeracy project will start in a couple of weeks. It has been aimed at Year 4 students. At this stage, we are not sure how the numeracy project will run and whether we are able to involve other students.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge.**
In line with our emphasis on reading, our school has signed up to the 2014 Queensland Premier’s Reading Challenge. Students will receive a recording sheet so they can list each book they read over the time of the challenge. Students will receive the recording sheet and any other information they need on Monday ready to begin the challenge on Tuesday.

Please encourage your child to read and to record every book they read each day. Younger readers are able to read their books with an older reader. The challenge runs until the 5th of September.

**In the classrooms - rules.**
Each year, our classes discuss how students need to behave at school. The students are very good at listing the things they should not do. This year in the Year 3-6 class, we took all those things and put them into groups. We found they fell in to three distinct groups. We then tried to look at them in terms of what we should do, not what we should not do. That is, we looked at positive behaviours rather than the negatives.

As a result, students were able to melt down these three groups of positive behaviours in to three “rights”.

**Visit from High School.**
On Monday 26th May, Mrs Joy Craig, the principal of Clifton State High School, will be at the school to talk with our older students about what the high school can offer them. If parents of Year 5 or 6 students are interested in talking with Mrs Craig, please let me know. I will see Mrs Craig and make sure she has time to meet with you on the day.

**Sport.**
**Cross Country.** Pilton was represented at the Southern Downs cross country last week by Lizzie, Billy-Rose and Georgie. All three placed in the top ten finishers for their age group. Lizzie, after finishing third, will now compete at the Darling Downs cross country. **Gala Days.** The Central Downs Gala Days are being held on 30th May and 6th June at Allora SS. Students in Years 4 to 6 select from either 6-a-side rugby league, soccer or netball. Smaller schools such as ours will have students join together to form a team. For example, our older girls will play netball with Greenmount girls and be coached by Mrs Moy, the Greenmount principal.

**Happy Birthday!!**
Saraniah on the 21st May.

As a result, behaviour in the classroom is looked at to see if it allows others to have the right
- To learn,
- To be safe, and
- To have all property treated with respect.

**Important Dates:**

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**Pilton News**
Quadrennial School Review

Next week, I will be part of a teleconference to discuss the Quadrennial School Review (QSR) process. The QSR is a full review of the school’s operations for the past four years. It is most important that we have parent input into the process as it is you and your children who need to be happy with the school and who need to help set the future direction of the school. I expect there will be a questionnaire sent home to determine how you see the school. Please share your thoughts either through the questionnaire, through your P&C representatives or directly with me.

Dad’s Read Too!

Don’t forget Shane Webcke will be at the school next Thursday night to talk with males about reading, especially reading with primary school students. It doesn’t matter if you are interested in just reading with your own children or would love to be able to find some time to read with kids at the school, you are welcome to attend. The P&C is providing a barbecue tea. Please get on to anyone you know who might be interested and suggest they contact the school. It should be a great night.

Sing Out

Once again this year our Y5 and Y6 students will participate in Sing Out on Thursday 12th June. The students will travel by bus to the Empire Theatre in Toowoomba and join with approximately 500 other students from across the region for a day of music and fun with highly regarded choral conductor, Mrs Julie Christiansen. The students work together and the day culminates with a combined concert performance for their families and community that night.

Mrs Heaton will accompany the students and I will join them in the afternoon. During the interval between the finish of practice and the start of the concert we will spend some time at the city library and take the students to McDonalds for a meal. Parents will be required to provide transport home for their child after the concert.

Tickets for the concert are: $16 Adult, $9 Non Performing Children under 15yrs. Tickets will be available from the Empire Theatre Box Office from Monday 26th May.

Regards,

Stuart Fuller

PLAYGROUP!!

We are unable to host Playgroup tomorrow but invite everyone to join us again next Friday.

BOOK CLUB

Any last minute orders need to be in by tomorrow morning as the order must be submitted before lunch time tomorrow.
Hi all

Just a reminder regarding the school jackets and hats. Please let me know by tomorrow on 46964508 or jacq.gill@ yahoo.com.au if you would like a jacket or a hat.

The information session with Alex Kennedy is cancelled tomorrow due to changes in the school schedule.

The next P & C meeting is on the 20th of April starting at 6.00pm.

Thank you

Jacqui