Welcome back. I hope everyone enjoyed the break as much as I did.

Yet again, we have a very busy term with our school calendar, especially for staff, filling up. Already, we do not have a full week free of meetings, excursions etc. until week 7!

**Hermitage Research Competition.**
Pilton again enjoyed success in this competition. The Prep-2 class won their section while the Year 3-6 class came third. As well, a number of students were awarded prizes for the related art work, their mushrooms.

**Report Cards.**
The report cards are almost complete. Drafts will be printed today, any necessary changes made and then the programme in which they are compiled can be closed off and the final versions printed. They may be ready for distribution tomorrow, but with all staff at NAIDOC Day, it may be the beginning of next week.

**School photos.**
The school had an enjoyable morning yesterday having the school, family groups and individual photos taken for 2013. The photographer will have the prints back to us in two weeks to put in names and it will take another two to three weeks from then to have the photos printed.

**Working Bee – National Tree Day.**
The P&C are organising a working bee for Sunday 21st July. One of the tasks is to dig 50 holes in which to plant the plants being donated by National Tree Day Lockyer committee. As well, there are a number of other jobs we would like to complete. These include

- Tidying up the school gardens – trimming or removing plants, weeding etc.
- Taking down the sign advertising the building of the roof over the tennis court, moving the support posts and erecting a noticeboard at the front gate.
- Moving the flag poles from amongst the trees to the front fence.
- Cutting down a dead tree in the front yard of the school. Please bring your gardening tools. But if you have any equipment that will assist us to complete the larger jobs, it would be appreciated if you could let us know.
- The plants will be planted by the students on Thursday 25th July with assistance from members of National Tree Day Lockyer and students from Lockyer District High School.

**Biggest Morning Tea.**
Congratulations to all who attended the morning tea and assisted the School Leaders to raise $121.00 to assist Cancer Council in their work. I hear it was a great day.

**Staff Professional Development.**
Mrs Heaton, Ms Stewart and Mrs Duggan attended a course on dyslexia and perceptual difficulties and these problems can affect students learning to read.

**National Tree Day Working Bee**
21st July

**P&C Meeting**
24th July

**Central Downs Athletics**
29th July & 2nd August

**Centenary Meeting**
13th August

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**Active After School Care.**
The volunteer training course is set for next Friday and is open to anyone in the community interested in helping run active care sessions for Pilton students. AASC has already confirmed tennis lessons for one day each week for this term. The nature of the activity for the second day will be confirmed after the training session. AASC will be available to all students and will be timed so that those students who catch the bus home will still be able to do so. For other students, parents would need to collect them at a later time, probably sometime after 3:45pm.

**Sport.**
The Central Downs Athletics will be held at Allora State School on Monday 29th July (half day – 800 metres, 200 metres and some field events) and on Friday 2nd August.

**Meetings.**
P&C – Wednesday 24th July.
Centenary Committee – Tuesday 13th August. The Centenary planning is getting down to the crunch time. Many volunteers are needed to ensure the day runs smoothly. We realise many attending will also be ex-students, but we hope you will be able to put aside part of your day to help out. A timetable of events for the day should be available after that meeting.

**Playgroup.**
Due to our participation in the NAIDOC Week celebrations there will be no playgroup tomorrow.

Regards,
Stuart Fuller.
Children With Type 1 Diabetes - Are You Challenged by Your Child’s Diabetes?

Research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes.

The University of Queensland is conducting research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes. Parenting a child with diabetes presents many challenges (everything from the regular blood glucose monitoring and insulin intake, to more general parenting tasks). The aim of this study is to understand the factors that make the management of childhood diabetes particularly difficult, and to use this information to develop strategies that might assist parents in managing their child’s diabetes.

If you are a parent of a 2 to 10-year-old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you!

By sharing your experiences (confidentially), you will be making a valuable contribution to the development of much-needed childhood diabetes management strategies for parents.

To complete the online survey, please log on to: https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1diabetes

For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email AditiLohan (aditi.lohan@uqconnect.edu.au) or phone Amy Mitchell (07 3365 7305) at the Parenting and Family Support Centre in the School of Psychology at the University of Queensland, St Lucia QLD 4072 (Fax: 07 3365 6724).

Thank you for your time and participation.

AditiLohan, AlinaMorawska, and Amy Mitchell
UQ Parenting and Family Support Centre
Welcome back to everyone after hols!!!

The 26th of July is 'National Tree Day' and the school has been given 50 trees/plants for the school yard. In preparation for this, a working bee will be held at the school on Sunday the 21st of July from 10am. Any help would be greatly appreciated and if you could please bring along some gardening tools.

The next P & C meeting will be held on Wednesday the 24th of July. All welcome.