Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Anzac Day**
Today our children observed Anzac Day with a moving ceremony at school. Each class laid a wreath in honour of the servicemen and women who have fought for our country. Tomorrow our school will march in the Anzac Day procession and lay a wreath at the town cenotaph. Students who have returned their permission notes will meet at 9.00am in the City Council Library Car Park and parents are to collect children from the George McCoy Park at the end of the ceremony. Thank you to Mr Nastasi for organising both Anzac Day events.

**Every day counts**
As we begin term 2, parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school every day. Our goal is to have 98% daily attendance. As you can see from the attendance thermometer, current attendance is only 91.1%. Attending school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year. Unless your child is ill, please ensure that they attend school, on time, every day of the school year. More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at [http://education.qld.gov.au/ever ydaycounts/index.html](http://education.qld.gov.au/ever ydaycounts/index.html)

**Loom Bands**
Unfortunately loom bands cannot be worn to school. The school policy on jewellery which is outlined in the Parent Handbook is “Jewellery is limited to plain studs or sleepers and a watch.” The reason for this policy is that jewellery can be accidently pulled and cause an injury to the child.

**Tuckshop/Tinned Food**
Unfortunatley food can no longer be warmed by the tuckshop helpers due to safety concerns. At lunch times the Tuckshop helpers cannot ensure that food is heated evenly while they attend to the children’s requests for orders and drinks. Also in term 1 there was a serious injury, requiring stitches, caused by a spaghetti tin lid. Because of this safety issue, please do not send tinned items with rip top lids to school with children.

**Swimming Carnival**
Congratulations to Mitchell (669 points) for winning the Championship on the Day over Kennedy (604) and Leichardt (595). Thank you once again to Mr Chris Ford for organising a great day.

**Age Champions**

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Our overall Champions were:
First – Harrison Ford
Second- Shoshone Lupton
Third – Dean Bisset
**Parent Interviews**

Thank you to all the parents who attended interviews. The teachers gave excellent feedback that the meetings were very worthwhile and that the communication during the interviews will definitely enhance the children’s learning.

**Naplan**

Reminder that the Naplan tests will be on the 13, 14, 15 of May. The 16 May will be a catch up day for children who were sick on the day of the test.

**Interschool Sport**

This term children in Years 4 - 7 will play netball for interschool sport. There has been difficulty in getting a certified level 2 coach for Rugby League (which is a requirement) and unless we can join with another school we may not be able to offer Rugby League this term.

Kind regards

Kathy King
Acting Principal

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Mount Isa Anzac Parade

Mount Isa Junior AFL is holding a sign on day on the 27th of April at 4pm at Legend Oval. Junior players 5 – 15 years are invited to sign up for the 2014 competition. The Northwest Equipment Hire junior competition commences on the 2nd of May. For more information contact Adrian Cameron Ph: 0419 66 33 42
Registration forms are be available from Power & Air Solutions on the Barkly Highway.
Or go to https://www.facebook.com/MountIsaJuniorAfl

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Easter Hats Parade

Teach your children to stand back from the edge of the road when waiting to be picked up.
Remind them to wait for the car to completely stop before getting in or out.