Hello everyone,

A smooth start to the year has seen students settle quickly into their new rooms and routines. Currently school numbers sit on 96, so it is highly unlikely that we will achieve (before tomorrow) the magical number of 103, inorder to secure another teacher.

P&C efforts on Election Day proved most profitable, with $643.00 being raised. With just over 200 voters coming through the school, this is a great result! The school ‘tuckshop’ is another P&C venture that will recommence this week. Please see article further into the newsletter that explains how ‘tuckshop’ runs.

Your active involvement in Swayneville’s P&C is strongly encouraged. Not only is this the primary forum for parent input to school life, it is also a great social group of like minded people who are working towards the mutual benefit of the school. Meetings are held once a month on the second Friday of each month @ 1:00pm. We aim to be completed in time for assembly. A reminder: an annual membership form needs to be completed for insurance purposes.

Mums and Dads of our younger students, please be aware of the week 3 ‘blues’. It is something that we have noted over the years. Week 3 is about the time when the excitement of starting school wears off, and little bodies get tired and cranky. It’s a normal part of the adjustment to school life. It will settle down.

-- Roslyn Waldron (Principal)

What an exciting start to Prep 1 and 2015!!!

The 2015 class of Preps enthusiastically explored their new surroundings and made the most of all the new resources. They have eagerly settled into their new environment with the very capable assistance of the Year 1’s. In particular the students all enjoyed the Australia day celebrations.

I would like to thank all of the Prep 1 student’s parents who have done an amazing job of organizing all of their children’s learning resources. A quick reminder that there is a parent information afternoon from 5:00-6:00pm on Thursday the 5th of February. This afternoon will give you an overview of our daily and weekly routines as well as our homework routines.

Important Dates:
5 Feb – Day 8 student census – determines funding + staffing
5 Feb – Prep Parents’ afternoon meeting with Mrs Arnold.
6 Feb – Tuckshop will start
6 Feb – AFL launch
13 Feb – P&C meeting 1:00pm at the library
13 Feb – Investiture of school leaders during parade.
-- GRIP Leadership conference (for School Leaders)
3 April – Good Friday + Start of 2 week break.
Consultant Visits School

Dr Susan Galletly, a renowned researcher, practicing speech therapist, literacy coach and with a doctorate in language and literacy development, graced the staff of Swayneville School with a consulting visit. Sue has been working within the region as part of the CQU/EQ/ALEA research project: Beating the National Minimum Standards. The research is promoting and analyzing alternate teaching methods for students who have different language learning needs.

Sue spent the day working with teachers, exploring with them options to better suit the needs of their students. Sue also gifted a considerable number of resources that will be used to support our efforts. Having Sue in our school was a unique opportunity, which has proven highly valuable. Thank you Sue!

NRL Visit

National Rugby League representatives visited the school yesterday. Using a Cowboys Representative as a spokes person, the emphasis of the talk was the need of a healthy lifestyle.

While it was not unexpected to hear about good food, plenty of water and sufficient exercise, mental health was also addressed encouraging resilience through sharing with trusted friends and adults.

TUCKSHOP

Who runs the tuckshop?

Swayneville State School ‘tuckshop’ is run by the efforts of our P&C and aims to provide not only an avenue to fundraising, but also a service to our school community.

It is totally and utterly reliant on parent volunteers. The school has been most fortunate in having deeply committed parents who have ensured that tuckshop is run each week. Naturally, the kids love it when mum or dad (…) yes, dads!) are in the school helping out.

Parent helpers are welcome to contact the office, or the Tuckshop Convenor Katherine Cousins. Ph. 4943 1889 Mobile 0428 449 921. Katherine will be more than willing to discuss what is required. It is not onerous.

How to order from tuckshop:

The menu/pricelist is attached to the newsletter. Tuckshop food is prepared for the first break only. Please write on a brown paper work – one per child – their order. Please ensure that their name and grade are also on the front of the bag. Enclose the required money. Change can be given, though correct money is preferred. If families are ordering, please still use a bag per child, and place money and sibling orders inside the order of the older sibling.

Orders need to be ‘posted’ at the office on Thursday mornings. The office opens to children at 8:30.

Students without orders will not be able to be catered for.

How the children are served:

All children head down to the eating area as per normal. Children with tuckshop orders collect their order from the tuckshop helpers who have set up under the school. During eating time, cold foods and sweets are distributed. Any unsold sweets can be purchased over the counter.
**Sarina Dance School 2015**

... is a Eisteddfod award winning dance school and a successful CSTD exam school. We are still accepting enrolments during this term. We operate Monday through to Thursday after school. We do classes at the Uniting Church Hall next to St Anne's Primary.

Children 3 and 4 years old can do a Beginner’s Fun and Fitness Class. We offer Modern, Jazz, Ballet, Hip hop, Contemporary, Acrobatics and Limber.

We are offering come and try for free with any of the classes we offer. Contact Miss Jade 0407674567 or email jade@swayneviss.eq.edu.au to find out more.

Hello Swayneville!

PCYC is so very happy to be a part of your school, and we can’t wait to meet you all. We are here to help you out after school. Let us look after your children, while you work!

While you will see me about from time to time, our service staff will consist mostly of Michelle our Coordinator and Natasha our Educator. Both ladies are qualified childcare workers with years of experience, are from the Sarina area and also, just happen to be mother and daughter.

We love our schools, we love the programs we offer and we think your kids will love coming to PCYC after school care. We offer homework programs, afternoon tea, indoor play, sports, quiet time, and much more fun stuff too.

Our service is CCB and CCR eligible, so while our fee is $20, you pay just half of that, or even less!!

Please see Carolyn in the office, she has our enrolment packs, or our PCYC team from 3 – 6pm. Our office is located right next to Carolyn!

You are more than welcome to pop your head in for a look, bring the kids, we are sure you will all like what you see. See you around the school soon!!

--- Sargent Kelsie Henderson (Branch Manager)

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**Our Learning Objectives:**
1. Reading and writing must make sense!
2. Student know what they know, and know what they need to know next!

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**AWARDS**

**Year 4/5/6**

All students received an award for a great effort in all areas and following 4B rules.

**Year 3/4**

Izabel Stead & Rori Matthews: for having an impressive first week.

**Year 1/2**

Frankie Cameron: for a great transition into yr 1 & helping others.

Dallas Robertson: for having a positive attitude towards learning.

**Prep/1**

Keidon O’Connor: being a great helper.

Charli Milton: being brave & moving into a year 1 group to even out the numbers.

All Preps received an award for settling in so well, and Yr 1’s for being great helpers.

**Bee Stamps.**


**Queen Bee**

**Prep/1.**

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‘Celebrate the Ball’

**Charity Valentine’s Ball**

Bob Woods Hall, Sarina  From 6.30pm     February 14th 2015

Live Music – Mango Junction, 3 Course Meal, Photo booth, Balloon Auction, Charity Auction, Lolly Bar
NQ Cowboys Matt Smith signed footy up for grabs.

FB: Fighting for Fiona - Relay for Life

$150 per ticket, bookings essential ASAP

Tickets from: *Under the Veil, Sarina   *NAB Sarina or   * SMS 0414 753 522

Grab your friends and make it a night to remember, the 2014 Ball was a HUGE SUCCESS

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