Hello everyone,

As the end of the school year is in our sights, some things are beginning to conclude for the year. Firstly, this morning was our last morning of prep transitions. Hosted by Chappy Di and supported by Simone Hauwert, the parents engaged in conversations around how to support their children as they adjust to school. Di’s and Simone’s input was greatly appreciated – thank you! Our incoming preps are now looking more comfortable with the strange new place called ‘school’. 😊

Our P&C met for the final meeting of the year last Friday. Their update is on the last page. The P&C have been very proactive in supporting the school to the benefit of everyone who interacts with Swayneville. Without the efforts of these dedicated people, our school would not function to its current high standard. Wendy King has been our president for the last two years, and has been secretary prior to that. Her community wide efforts have been unceasing. Wendy’s professional workload has increased and she will not be able to continue in the role. Wendy – Thank you! Thank you on the behalf of the school for the work that you have undertaken and the drive and passion that you bring to our school. Our Vice President and secretary are also needing to step back off the executive. Glenn and Vashti McFadzen took on these roles even though they were totally new to the school. They too have valiantly poured time, energy and resources into supporting the school eg. the efforts behind the Big Bash. Thank you Glenn and Vashti. 😊

To all our active P&C members, and to anyone who supports our kids within classrooms, at swimming, tuckshop or by cooking – your efforts underpin the efforts of staff and together we create a learning environment that promotes high student outcomes.

-- Roslyn Waldron (Principal)

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**Important Dates:**

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**The Wonders of Learning**

What a marvelous time we are having in the 1/2 class! Not only are we working really hard on our Maths tasks, we are also working really hard to complete our family trees for History.

A huge task last week was our Poetry presentations. The students chose a poem and successfully recited their chosen poem in front of the class. We all were a little nervous, but were able to overcome this by practicing in small groups. This really helped the nerves. We have also had the chance of sharing our room with the Year 1’s from the Prep/1 room. We have had a fabulous time showing them the expectations of morning routine.
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** Rural fire safety & preparedness for your property: walk ‘n’ talk **

*When:* Thursday 19 November, 9–11am.

*Where:* L Pitchers Rd, Sarina

*Why:* Come along and chat to local fire experts Andrew Houley and Rural Fire Brigade volunteers about rural fire safety, being prepared and using fire for land management.

*RSVP:* For catering purposes (8 for directions on how to get there) please RSVP to SLONA on 4956 1388, by email: admin@sarinalandcare.org.au or SLONA facebook page by Tuesday 17 November.

This event is supported by Mackay Regional Council Natural Environment Levy.

Get Out, Get Active

**Fitness Program**

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*Cost:* $5 per session - Group Fitness, Yoga, Pilates, Zumba, Boxing, Aqua Aerobics, Aqua Zumba. $3 pool entry - Mirani and Sarina.

Visit mackay.qld.gov.au/getactive for more details and program updates.

New start date for the 2016 Queensland school year:

A new start date for the 2016 Queensland school year will see students return to the classroom on Wednesday 27 January 2016 — the day after the national Australia Day public holiday. The previous Term 1 start date of Monday 25 January 2016 will now become an additional flexible staff professional development day. This decision has been made to respond to the fact that students were due to return on the Monday, then have Tuesday off due to Australia Day, and return on the Wednesday. This alteration is very much appreciated by schools allowing staff to have a smoother start with classes.
P&C Report

Swimming Carnival Catering
The P&C will be catering for the Swimming Carnival on Friday 4th Dec for the main lunch break between about 11.30am-12.30pm. Steak Burgers & Sausage on Bread will be on the menu and a price list will be circulated a little closer to the time. Pre-orders as per the tuckshop process are available, for both the school kids and any parents and siblings in attendance. Orders are to be submitted by **Wednesday 2nd Dec**, please? If you are able to assist with serving on the day or by providing home baking, please contact Melanie Hamblin on 4950 4203 or melanie@hamblin.com.au.

Donation of Items to School
At the meeting last Friday it was decided to purchase the following items for our school:-
- Trailer for transporting sports tents, catering equipment & gardening supplies
- Replacement Fridge for Tuckshop
- Large Esky for Catering Activities
The funds for these items were made available due to the kind sponsorship of the swimming lesson bus transport costs by the Sarina Community Bendigo Bank. We have also allocated a further $10,000 from our Blue Mountain Camperdraft Catering & Big Bash fundraising activities in 2015 to our major project of a roof over the tennis court area. This brings our total reserves for this project to $25,000. We hope to secure grant funding in 2016 to progress this project. We would like to thank all from the school community who have assisted in our fundraising efforts throughout the year.

Executive Positions for 2016
We are seeking some new executive committee members for the P&C in 2016. Those stepping down from their roles will continue to be involved with the P&C and will give their full support to the new executive committee members. If you are interested in any of these roles, helping to coordinate tuckshop or grant writing, or just supporting the P&C activities in any way, please contact one of the existing committee members (Wendy King 4950 4225, Melanie Hamblin 4950 4203, Vashti McFadzen 4950 4150 or Leanne Carey 4943 2632) or Principal Roslyn Waldron.

Our AGM will be held on **Friday 12th Feb 2016 at 1pm in the Library**.