PRINCIPAL PENS: The recent bout of illness has claimed many victims and as such raises issues around health practice and procedures at our school. At our last P&C meeting I was able to detail the process through which we worked with both the Health Department and our Regional Office. The upshot is that I’d like to reassure families that we are a safe and healthy school and that the real lesson to be learned is that we can never be too careful with any health ailment or situation. During the Health Dept’s investigations we were also able to comprehensively establish that there was no connection to this disorder and the previous bout of the viral rash also suffered by a number of families in our community. Furthermore I’d like to thank the staff and parent body for the cooperation afforded throughout the state of affairs as I realise that the most significant impact is the loss of learning through absence from school. I’d like to stress to parents that our processes to maintain routine were always at the forefront of our operations and that we will endeavour to continue to ‘make every day count’.

Our P&C meeting also witnessed the announcement that the expression of interest for funding with the Smart Schools Subsidy Scheme for the eastern extension of the cover to the tennis court area has gained approval to proceed to the application stage which is due August 15th. The detail around the original submission is now to be assembled and submitted to hopefully gain acceptance for the estimated $190,000 project to go ahead. Our Association has locked away in term deposit funds to support the construction as well as secured funds in the school budget. ‘In kind support’ with the project is welcome as the success of the application is vital. Should you wish further details of the undertaking or provide assistance or know of anyone who may be able to lend a hand please contact the school office.

There are many activities and date changes advertised in this newsletter which reflect the dynamic nature of our community. One meeting scheduled for next Wednesday 18 June is the activation of numerous ‘jobs’ which need to be undertaken in and around the school. The meeting will attempt to establish a matrix of dates, personnel and activities. Should you feel inclined to assist please let an executive of the P&C know to ensure as many of the undertakings as possible are realised. A list of endeavours appears elsewhere in this newsletter. Please also feel free to suggest additional ‘conditions’ which you would like to be seen enhanced.

Understandably this newsletter is lacking some of the usual content. Again I thank you for your understanding.

Until next time.
SCHOOL JOB LIST FOR PROPOSED WORKING BEE:

- Pressure cleaning tennis court
- Strangler fig – cut from tree outside staffroom & Camphor Laurel trees in the SE corner of the school ground
- Trim tree near long jump pits
- Remove debris from ‘compost area’
- Maintain garden in covered area
- Clean interchangeable sign
- Clean playground equipment
- Clean kitchen area in activities building
- Attend to all gates on the our boundary
- Redirect guttering flows on the eastern and western sides of the covered play area
- Fix bubbler taps
- Fix greenhouse – generally but including door and cover.
- Service line marker
- Re-establish orientation of long jump pits
- Erect sails over P-4 building
- Swap covers on Junior Play areas
- Grind/remove tree stumps
- Organise timber and other items under Activities Building
- Refurbish soft fall material in playground areas
- Fix all building door latches
- Mend fish tank leak
- Create system for hanging ferns on Admin building veranda

A MEETING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE AT 3:30PM TO SET DATES FOR WORKING BEE AND PERSONNEL TO COULD ASSIST WITH TASKS.

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGES

1. Pasta Drive has been postponed to later in the year.

2. WALKATHON will be held on Saturday 30 August.

3. MONSTER CENT SALE will be held on Saturday 18 Oct.

PLEASE ALTER YOUR DIARIES.
**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

Tully Touch Association would like to conduct a mixed competition for all Primary school students aged 9yrs—12 yrs.

If successful the competition will run for 6 weeks on a Wednesday afternoon at the Tully Showgrounds from 4:30—5:30pm. Please contact Miss Jo on 0427 115 655 if interested.

**RELAY FOR LIFE**

A short discussion will be held at the start of Wednesday’s meeting to finalise team numbers, costumes and registrations. If you are unable to make the meeting please contact the school with your intention to participate. Samples of costumes will be on display and orders will need to be placed.

**REMINDERS:**

*Drop offs and pick up parking—please keep in mind area in front of the bus shelter is for Helen’s bus to collect and drop off children safely.*

*Ask children to be mindful of the extra traffic outside the school gate when coming to and from school. There will be more machinery in the vicinity of the school in the coming weeks.*

*A note or phone call to explain an absence for your child is very important. If none of these are presented the absence will be marked as “unexplained” and this will be reflected on our rolls which are then followed up by Education Queensland.*

*Cyber Safety-please be vigilant with your child’s use of the internet and email traffic.*