Hi all,
I would like to start by saying I am very pleased to announce that my family and I will be continuing on at Lundavra for a further six months. We are very happy and excited to be staying on. On another great note the Discipline audit went extremely well. The feedback we received was very positive. Mr McNally was very impressed with the happy, welcoming and inviting nature of the students, parents and staff.

Mid-term rewards day: Thursday 6th November
- Bring your bicycle/ tricycle to school day
- Movie session

Part of our school wide positive behaviour support has been to reward students who display safety, responsibility, respect and show effort in class with “Gottcha” tickets. Their individual goal is to reach 40 “Gottcha” tickets by Thursday next week to participate in our rewards day.

Macintyre’s young writers
Congratulations everyone who entered into the young writers competition. You did an amazing job! Notable mentions to the following students:

Major awards
- Ebony Starkey “Fairyland”
- Elise Besa “The Haunted House”
- Bonnie Ladner “The Race”
- Tiggy Ladner “The Gruelling Match”

Book Prize winner!
- Ebony Starkey

Highly Commended
- Clayton Guiney “The Deadly Bungee”

Thank you again to the mothers for doing tuckshop—the choice of cake today was amazing.

Have a great weekend,
Craig
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### LUNDAVRA STATE SCHOOL

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

BOOKS & CDS AVAILABLE @ THE SCHOOL

$10 EACH

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Student of the week - Ebony—for making improvement in her addition and subtraction number facts.

Our “social skills” Wacky wombat of the week - Bonnie—being organised for class and showing persistence with her work

“Gotcha” winner this week - Layken
Citizen of the Year Award
(27 years and above)
Presented to a resident of Goondiwindi Regional Council who has made a noteworthy contribution to the local community through outstanding service.

Young Citizen of the Year Award
(under 27 years of age)
Presented to a young citizen, residing in Goondiwindi Regional Council, who has made a noteworthy contribution to the local community through outstanding service.

Group Award / Community Event of the Year
Presented to a group, club, association or event that has made a noteworthy contribution to the local community.

Junior Sports Award
(under 18 years)
Presented to a young individual who has excelled in his / her sporting field or made a noteworthy contribution to sport in the local community.

Senior Sports Award
(18 years and above)
Presented to an individual who has excelled in his / her sporting field or made a noteworthy contribution to sport in the local community.

Sports Administrator/Coach Award
Presented to a citizen who has made a significant contribution to the enhancement of a particular sport for the benefit of the local community.

Cultural Award
Presented to an individual or group who has made a noteworthy cultural contribution to the local community.

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**TIPS TO HELP YOUR CHILD WITH MATHEMATICS**

1. **Computers + math = fun.** There are great computer games available for math – ask the town library or check out computer stores. Make sure they are "parent approved". There are also super websites that have fun math games, or do an Internet search for other sites.

2. **Start Easy and Work Up!** Once they have got the hang of counting by 1s, introduce skip counting, such as counting by 2s and 5s.

3. **Use household items for counting practice.** Practise adding and subtracting with objects found around your house like spoons or pots and pans. When they've become good at these skills, move on to simple multiplication.

4. **Tap into your child's curiosity.** Go on a number hunt together and discover places where numbers are used such as a clock, TV, computer keyboard, calendar, telephones and licence plates.

5. **Use everyday activities.** Your child's world is filled with everyday math problems that can be solved. For example, "There are four people in our family and we each need a knife and a fork to eat dinner. How many knives and forks do we need to set the table?" Let your kids know the importance of math in day-to-day living. Talk about the ways you use math in your job and around the house. Show them a tax form or how you pay the bills. Ask them how they used math during the day.

6. **Kitchens can be math zones.** Bake some muffins or cookies and ask your child to help you measure out the ingredients. It may be a bit messy but it's fun family time and there's nothing like a fresh cookie as a reward. Have math fridge magnets available so children can start making number patterns and doing simple math problems. Get older children involved in helping out at dinner time and let them help measure ingredients for dishes or estimate the number of potatoes that are needed to feed everyone.

7. **Predict and compare.** Start to measure and estimate things like how far it is from the driveway to the house or how long a trip will take and then measure and compare the actual time it takes.

8. **Talk about time.** The concept of time can be hard to grasp. Talk to your kids about minutes and hours. Then get them to try counting days and weeks – for example how many "sleeps" until the weekend or a visit to a friend or relative.

9. **Identify geometric shapes and sizes.** Play "I Spy". Instead of looking for words beginning with a letter, look for different colours or shapes and count the number you find in the room.

10. **Practise mental math using coins.** For example, show that a certain item costs a certain amount and ask what coins are needed to pay for it.

11. **Play games together.** Show them math can be fun and exciting. Play family games to add excitement to math activities, like chess or checkers or games in the car such as math bingo or adding licence plate numbers. Lots of board games need math such as Junior Monopoly® or play card games such as Uno®.

12. **Play the estimating game.** Ask your kids to estimate measurements, distances, time and grocery bills. Be sure to compare the estimate with actual. Or get them to guess how much the apples you are going to buy will weigh and then take them to the scale in the grocery store and find out.

13. **Perform time calculations.** For example, make up a sentence and ask your child to recite it as many times as possible in 15 seconds. Then ask how many times it could be repeated in 1 minute, 5 minutes, 10 minutes, etc.

14. **Use common toys to understand math concepts.** Build a tower from blocks. Count the blocks. Then talk about the need for a base of the right size and the stability it creates.

15. **Sports and math.** There is a lot of math used in sports: batting averages, points per game, save percentages – these are math terms that a sports enthusiast will love. If you watch a game with your child, read the newspaper report together sometime the next day and talk about the math concepts.

16. **Measuring made easy.** Estimate and measure the area of different shapes. For example, use small square objects (plastic tiles, dice, etc.) to estimate then measure how many are needed to fill the area of various flat surfaces such as a magazine cover.
Prize winners for 2014 will be announced in the Goondiwindi Argus this week. All winners and their families are invited to attend the Presentation of Awards at GSPS Hall at 5.00pm on Thursday, November 6. Winners should arrive at 4.30pm in their school uniform.
A barbecue tea will be available after the presentation. If you are able to assist in cooking or serving the food your help would be greatly appreciated. Just come up and offer your help on arrival.
Regards,
MYW Committee