ANZAC DAY
Thank you parents, students, siblings and staff for making the effort to represent our school in the ANZAC service and march at Clifton last Wednesday. It is one way our students recognise and understand the service and sacrifice of men and women that have served our country.

Southern Downs Cross Country
Congratulations to Sam and Jackson H who will be competing in the Southern Downs Cross Country this Thursday at Allora. We wish both boys the best of luck in this event.

Sporting schools
Sporting Schools is on again for Term 2 and commences this week. Athletics will run on a Thursday afternoon from 3pm-4pm with Mr Healy and Mrs Becker. Tennis will be held every second Friday from 8am for all students also commencing this week with Mr Kindelan. We look forward to another great term to learn and experience more about these sports.

GALA days
Our annual gala days will be held on the 18th and 25th May this year at Allora State School for students in years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. The event will run from 9.30am to 2.30pm each day. This year Back plains students will be participating in soccer or netball.

NAPLAN
Year 3 & 5 students will sit the NAPLAN series of assessment on Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th May 2018. The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It is an everyday part of the school calendar and has been since 2008.

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or ‘domains’) of:

- Reading
- Writing
- Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- Numeracy.

NAPLAN tests skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum.
Chappy News

Hi everyone, I hope Term 2 is going well for you and your family. I am currently on leave for 2 weeks, resting and healing after an operation. Chaplaincy and my Teacher Aide work has been going well at Back Plains. The students are always a pleasure to work with. They are a credit to you as parents! The Ripple Kindness Program continues and we have been looking at the Easter story and the Holy Spirit (along with the ever popular dancing and games). In the winter holidays I will again be working at the amazing Kids Games Pittsworth. They are running from Tuesday to Thursday the 3rd to 5th July. If you are interested in your child/children attending please let me know as we may be able to organise a car pool for transport and fee help if needed. At this stage I should be back at school on Monday 14th May.

Kind regards,
Chappy Donna

DATE REMINDERS:

Monday, 7 May:  Labour Day
Tuesday, 15 May– Thurs, 17 May:  NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5)
Friday, 18 May:  GALA day Years 2-6 Allora SS
Tuesday, 22 May:  Musica Viva 9:30am —Pilton SS
Friday, 25 May:  Under 8’s Day (Clifton SS)
GALA day Years 2-6 Allora SS
Wednesday, 30 May – Friday, 1 June:  School camp Years 3-6
Wednesday, 20 June:  Small School athletics—Field events (9 years & above)
Emu Creek State School (1/2 day)
Friday, 22 June:  Whole school athletics - Emu Creek State School

Students of the fortnight

Lunch Club

9th May: Helen & Cherie
16th May: Felicity & Christie

Counts
Our Attendance Rate Year to Date is

Every Day

95%

MAY

Sam 9/5
Imogen 25/5
Felix 26/5
Anzac Day

Remember our Diggers

ANZAC DAY

25th April