**HEALTH AND HYGIENE**

The school is currently experiencing an unusually high incidence of **head lice**. Head lice are not dangerous, do not carry diseases and are not a sign of poor hygiene. They are spread by head to head contact and can run from one head to another in seconds. They cannot fly, jump or swim. Please be vigilant in checking and treating your child’s hair for signs of eggs or hatched louse.

It is timely to mention that **Intestinal worms** can also be prevalent in children. They are transmitted by indirect faecal–oral contact through bedding, clothing, food or articles contaminated with eggs. Some symptoms may include irritability, disturbed sleep, change in appetite (increased or decreased) and perianal itching. Treatment is simple. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

**CROSS COUNTRY**

The Meckering Cross Country will be held at the Meckering Golf Course on Friday 23 August. Trials commenced this morning and will continue until next week. Parents and students will be notified of selections when trials are complete. Relevant paperwork will then be sent home.

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| PP-yr 3  | 1000m  
| Yr 4-5  | 1500m  
| Yr 6-7  | 2000m  
| Open    | 3000m  

**KIDSMATTER**

Staff of Tammin Primary School participated in a professional development day at the beginning of the term on KidsMatter-Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative.

KidsMatter provides a framework, resources and support to identify and implement strategies to improve mental health on wellbeing of students.

Tammin Primary School staff have decided to make the commitment to a whole school approach to assist our school to be the best possible place to nurture and support the wellbeing and academic achievement of all students.

**Successful schools start with healthy minds**

**KINDY**

Kindy days for term 3 are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthdays already celebrated or to be celebrated this fortnight:

**Happy birthday to:**

- **July 27** - TRAVIS
- **July 29** - KATE
- **July 30** - TIARA
- **August 4** - JAY
- **August 12** - JOSIE

**SEMESTER 1 PORTFOLIOS**

Please return your child’s portfolio sent home on the final day of term 2.

**2013 TAMMIN-MECKERING ATHETICS CARNIVAL**

The carnival will be held on Friday 6 September in Tammin. A reminder to parents regarding the School Council request for children to dress in their faction colours this year. The two factions being RED and BLUE. If you are unsure as to the faction your family belong to, please phone the school office on 9637 1051. RED faction students can use their school shirt or a red T-Shirt or polo and BLUE faction students will be required to wear a royal blue T-Shirt or polo shirt.

**ASSEMBLY & PD DAY**

This terms assembly will be held on Thursday 26 September at 2.15pm. All classes will once again conduct a presentation to parents and community members and merit certificates will be awarded.

The staff will have a professional development day Friday 27 September (last day of term 3) Students will not attend school on this day.

**WAMSE**

Information regarding WAMSE testing for year 5 and 7 students to be held during week 3 was sent home with students in years 5 and 7 last week. If parents have any questions or concerns about the testing or did not receive the pamphlet, please contact the office.

**PEAC**

Year 4 students will undergo PEAC testing on Wednesday 21 August. Information for parents of year 4 students was sent home last week.
PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOURS – We All Have the Right to Feel Safe – Part 9
In this edition: Cyber Safety
IAssistSafety - an app to build a child’s safety network. IAssistSafety helps children learn **protective behaviours**. All children deserve to be safe. Using a hand IAssistSafety allows a child to identify 5 adults who they could ask for help if feeling unsafe. The hand assists children to remember their safe people. The adults should be people the child sees regularly, people they can trust and people who will listen to the child. These 5 adults will help the child to be safe if they are scared, worried, sad or just need help. Use the name, phone number and image or photos of the adult and add it to the child's hand. IAssistSafety helps to give your child a voice in keeping themselves safe. **AVAILABLE IN THE APPLE AND GOOGLE PLAY STORES for $1.99**