Principal’s Message:
Wow, it seems hard to believe that half of Term two is over already. Last week we had a fantastic week. Much fun was had by all with our Under 8’s Day last Thursday and our engagement with our Indigenous Artist, Arthur Conlon last Monday and Friday. Thanks once again to Miss Gomez for doing a wonderful job at co-ordinating, to all of our Staff, Parents and Student Leaders who assisted. It was so wonderful to hear how engaged the children were in all the activities that were organised and sounds of laughter echoing across our school grounds. Here is a snapshot of last Thursday.

Children enjoying some water fun

Our Nebo Staff, Parents, Friends and Children who attended Under 8’s Day

Miss Amiet and the children get ready for Wacky Races

Upcoming Events:

MAY

- 26th-30th – Jennifer at Principal’s Conference

JUNE

- 5th – School Photos
- 9th – Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- 13th – Nebo Athletics Carnival & Student Disco, 5.00pm-7.30pm
- 19th – Mackay Show Holiday
- 20th – Brigalow Athletics Carnival – Coppabella State School

2014 Focus Areas:

- Improving Reading Strategies and Comprehension
- Improving Writing procedures and increasing Vocabulary and Spelling application
- Improving Problem Solving procedures in Numeracy
- Creating high expectations for Behaviour
- Explicit Instruction of Curriculum
**Indigenous Art**

Well, I must say how fantastic does our school look with a splash of colour? We were very fortunate and very grateful to share two days last week with Arthur Conlon, or better known as ‘Deadly Arthur’. Now, I know why he is called ‘Deadly Arthur’, because his Art Works and creativity is deadly, of course in this context meaning simply amazing. Arthur created some designs and the students and Arthur collaboratively created some stunning Indigenous Art Work and murals around our school. It is so important that the students’ learn about the history of Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander cultures and this was a wonderful springboard with ‘Reconciliation Week’ which as discussed in last week’s Newsletter is held in May and ‘NAIDOC’ week coming up, which is held in July. Here is a snap shot of our two days with Arthur!
Staffing
This week I will be in Gladstone, along with other Principal’s in the region for a compulsory Principal’s Conference. I will be engaged in Professional Development conferences that aim to develop my instructional leadership skills and assist to look for ways to build on improving student performance. While I am away, the school will be in the very capable hands of Mrs Lydia Wade. On Monday and Tuesday Miss Amiet will be teaching the year 567 Class. On Wednesday there will a Relief Teacher who will take the 567’s, and on Thursday and Friday Mrs Wade will teach the 567’s. Mrs Monique Bethel commences a three week full time block at our school today and will be back in Term three for the whole term. Monique is in her final stages of becoming a fully-fledged teacher and this means as part of her training she commences taking the class full time. Monique is very capable and very competent and she will be teaching Mrs Wade’s class on Thursday and Friday this week. Today, we will also have two more faces join us this week. We have Siohban and Jenhae from Mirani State High School spending one week with Miss Gomez and Mrs Connolly as part of their Work Experience training. Welcome to all our new staff this week and I trust that your time at Nebo State School will be a very enjoyable one at that.
School Photos
School Photos have been scheduled for Thursday June 5th. School Photo information should arrive at the school this week. The day will commence with a Staff Photo at 8am, followed by class and group photos, and then individual and/or sibling photos. The photographer will also be heading out to Coppabella and Valkyrie that day, so it is important that we are organised and running on time. Could you please ensure your child wears their red and green school uniform on this day with white socks and school shoes or joggers if possible.

International World Thank You Day
On Wednesday 11th June, we will be holding a special parade and Morning Tea to thank all of our School and community helpers, either paid or volunteers, which have assisted to make our school a better place. Of course without every single parent and carer, students and our amazing staff, our school wouldn’t be where it is today. So thank you to everyone for all their support, please know you are all appreciated. However, we will be doing a special acknowledgement to people affiliated with things such as: Business organisations who have helped with a range of assistance, from sponsorship to Ride 2 School Day, or promoting our school, parent and community helpers who have assisted with things such as Tuckshop, Honey, Food preparation, etc and of course a perfect time to say thanks to our wonderful P & C. It was P & C ‘Thank You’ day last Friday 23rd of May. My apologies to the P & C, as I thought I had placed something in the School Newsletter, but I must have missed this and only placed it in our Staff Newsletter instead. So, a big special thank you to all our wonderful P & C and we look forward to officially acknowledging you, particularly, our executive members on ‘International World Thank You Day’.

Athletics
Our School Athletics carnival will be held on Friday 13th June here in Nebo, and our cluster Athletics carnival will be held on Friday 20th June at Coppabella State School. Miss Amiet is in the process of sending home an expression of interest form to see how many students would require transport on the 20th June to get to Coppabella State School. If you could please return this form as soon as possible, it would be much appreciated so we can work out whether we require a bus or have enough parent transport. Please note, if you are willing to transport someone else’s child, a separate form must be completed prior to the day, informing us of further car and licence details. This is an Education Queensland requirement for travelling as a whole school/class organised event, such as the Athletics carnival at Coppabella State School.

Important Forms
Just a reminder that we are still waiting on forms from some families to be returned. These forms need to be returned as soon as possible: Internet Access Permission and Agreement Form, Photography and Media consent Form, Medical History, and an updated Student Information form. It is of the utmost importance that we have up to date information for all students. If you have not returned these forms, could you please do so as soon as possible. If you have misplaced these forms, please contact the School Office for a replacement form.

Student Council
Student Council will be holding their first School Disco on Friday 13th June. This disco is for Nebo State School Students only and will be from 5.00pm – 7.30 pm. The Disco will take place in the under covered area adjoining the tuckshop. There will be a $2 entry fee for each student who attends; this money will goes towards the Student Council funds. The Tuckshop will be selling drinks and hot food on the night as well. The theme for the disco is a Fluoro/Neon theme. Nothing like a splash of colour on Black Friday!

P & C
Just a reminder about the P & C Pie Drive, which is still running. All Pie Order forms and money are due in by to be handed into the School Office by no later than the 4th of June. This way you will be able to receive your pies before the June/July School Holidays.
**Tutoring**
Does your child need Tutoring? Is your child struggling with English and Maths? Have you considered getting some extra assistance? Is so, then look no further! Kate Woodhouse has commenced a tutoring program. This is a private program Kate is offering; this is not a school endorsed program. If you are interested, then please **contact Kate on: 0437 931 602**

**Pumpkins and Honey**
We still have a couple of pumpkins and honey available for sale in the Office. Feel free to pop by and purchase a delicious jar of honey and/or a pumpkin 😊.

**Nebo Rodeo**
Thank you to the parents and P&C for working in the bar at the rodeo on Saturday. Congratulations to the children who competed in the rodeo. Special congratulations to Tyler and Hope Ware who placed in their events.

**Woolworths Delivery**
We are calling on people to register for Woolworths Online Delivery to Nebo. If you would like to see Woolworths delivering to Nebo then PLEASE jump online and register this week. The more that register the better chance we have of getting a delivery service to Nebo.

**Have a fantastic week**

**Jennifer Fenwick**

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**Students of the Week**

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TuckShop -

**TUESDAY SPECIAL (this week) – pasta noodles - $5**

Thankyou to Jodie and Narelle for working in the Tuckshop last week and to Lorraine for the delicious home cooked Spaghetti Bolognaise. Helpers are still required for the rest of Term 2. If you can assist at all for a short time on a Tuesday morning, it would be much appreciated.

Please use the green form when ordering Tuckshop. Everything on the menu is available through both breaks except for ice-creams, which are only available during the second break. Nutella’s, Cupcakes and drinks are available over the counter for both breaks.

**Roster for Term 2:**

26/05/14 : Louise and Alison

*Thanks Kassy*