Dear Condamine State School Families,

Farewell Miss Ellery – Prac Student
Thank you Miss Ellery for your hard work and dedication over the past 4 weeks. You have done a wonderful job. I hope you enjoyed your time at Condamine State School. All staff, students and community members wish you all the best in your future studies. Well done!

End of term 3 – Thank You
On behalf of Condamine State School staff we would like to extend a big thank you to all students, parents and members of the community. Term 3 has been a fantastic term with lots of fun and exciting events along the way. The term has really flown. Students have really settled into a positive groove and we are looking forward to an equally fun and exciting term 4.

Enjoy a safe, happy and well-deserved break. We will see you all back on Tuesday the 7th October, 2014.

(Reminder - Monday 6th is a Public Holiday)

Storage Shelves for Sale
Storage shelves available for purchase at Condamine State School. Please come and inspect and make up an offer.

Soft Mats For Sale
Ideal for protecting the backs of utes or protect your deck. They’re approximately 1m by 1m. $15 each or 3 for $40.

Kind Regards

James Duffy
Internet Education and Safety – Brett Lee

**KEY MESSAGES**

- We want a positive online experience
- Most people have no problems
- Knowledge and instinct in real world – transferring them into the online world

**Dangers and Responsibilities:**

- Up to individuals to make decisions and take responsibilities
- Private messages – Are they private?
- Online games – interactions with other kids
- Probably already doing the right things. Give us a different perspective
- Cyberbullying – doesn’t matter what program you use? You’re interacting with real people. Don’t get involved in cyberbullying and there won’t be consequences
- Programs will come and go – responsibilities will not
- Don’t base choices on program you are using? Where you are?
- Cyber Prison – No such place. Online crimes give real life punishments
- It is all about **choices** online – nobody makes you do something. It is ultimately your choice.
- Do not use your correct name
- Online gives you the opportunity to talk with strangers
- Who is suspicious? – never look at photos, messages, friends, social networking sites tricks you into thinking you know them – Be wary about people asking for your personal information – be careful – identity is valuable and it belongs to you
- Criminals are looking to gain information from you – always be suspicious – random person in the shops comes up and asks you a range of personal questions – it is not normal – it is the same as the internet
- What is on the screen is data
- Private conversations – PRIVACY – does not exist – Internet will not be guaranteed – includes emails
- Don’t make decisions on the net thinking they are private
- You don’t know who will see what you’ve sent
- How do these poor choices affect me?
- 100’s off laws protecting people on the internet
- I did it because I thought it was funny – society doesn’t accept this
- No one is anonymous on the internet
- Things on the internet are permanent – they no longer belong to you
- Internet is not a bad place – if you don’t feel safe something is wrong. Bad people will always be on the internet – do not go against your instincts
- Who do you go to when you need help? Parents, teachers, grandparents if you have an issue on the internet – see these people – not strangers
- Never keep it to yourself – your screen to your mind – talk to people you trust
- Don’t let cyber bullies drag you down – never question yourself
- If it’s not someone you would hang around with in real life, don’t interact with them online
• If you are not having a good time on the net – go somewhere else
• Great place – safe place – remember these things
• Someone can always help – just ask

Cases -
• Freedom of speech defence – defamation: when you say bad things about people
• Cannot say whatever you want, when you want
• Social consequences – private becomes public very quickly
• You will be judged on the facts – not what you were thinking
• Most people are doing the right thing
• Laws help us stay safe when we are using technology

THINKUKNOW – Internet Safety Sessions – Parent Notes

Geotagging: can be turned off. Is a feature on your phones that allows people to find out where photos have been taken and at what time.

Privacy policies: are not necessarily what you think. Be careful and read thoroughly your rights and responsibilities when using the technologies.

Scammers/Phishing/identity theft:
- People looking for your personal details to be used against you
- Remember – organisations do not e-mail you looking for personal details
- Always look at the e-mail address
- Any website with https:// is a secure website
- Personal information needs to be kept to yourself

Strangers Online:
- You wouldn’t talk to a stranger down the street. Don’t talk to a stranger online.
- What do you do if you are approached on the net? Report it! (teachers, Mum, Dad or a trusted adult). If you’re unsure block and delete the user
- Fake Accounts – Keep an eye out for someone who is trying to be somebody else
- By wary of people willing to give gifts, bad language, aggression, bullying

Online Games:
- Gifts, promise of extra levels if you talk to them, giving personal details (e.g where you live, favourite sport, colours), phone credit, gaming credit
- Can have private (controlled) and public (uncontrolled) servers. Experts warn against children being on public servers.

Be visual:
- Computers in a common area (experts warn against having computers/laptops in children’s bedrooms)
- Ask questions, show an interest in your child’s internet activity (what game are playing, find out a few details about the game, opens up communication)

Strategies before posting only:
- Grandma Rule – Would you show or say it to your grandma?
- Take 10 before you send!
**Bystanders:**
- You’re not anonymous online – can be traced back to your accounts
- Think before you post
- Ethical intervention – it is a real person you are talking about

**Cyber bullying:**
- Criminal offence in which you can be charged
- Things to keep an eye on – child being withdrawn, nightmares, change in behaviour patterns, feeling unwell, Increase in SMS activity, becoming anti-social
- Can happen 24hrs a day, 7 days a week
- Can include menacing behaviour, harassing, causing offence to someone – can lead to 3 yrs imprisonment
- ASK FM website – this website is causing lots of problems online as it is an anonymous website where people have the freedom to say whatever they like and is untraceable
- 1 in 4 are aware of cyberbullying happening
- Keep up to date with internet lingo – meanings are changing, pays to keep updated
- SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE – JUST ASK

**The Future – Reputation Management:**
- 30% of employers check social media to gain an insight into people’s lives
- Think before you post
- What is said on social media doesn’t stay on social media. Goes into the “real world”

**Who can I contact for support?**

Scamwatch – Mainly deals with scams (banking, personal details etc)

Principal/School/Guidance Officer – Online Harassment, Cyber bullying,

POLICE – Fraud, Theft

000 – notify regarding any illegal conduct
CONGRATULATIONS!!
To Callum Bell and Tahlia Morgan

Who have been selected in the South West Team to compete in Brisbane at the State Championships on 14th and 15th October 2014.

Monday 22nd Sept to Monday 6th October
Term IV Begins Tuesday 7th October

Tuesday 14th October
Condamine State School P & C Association Meeting 3:15pm

Thursday 16th October
Bush to Beach
More information next Term.

***PLEASE NOTE***

Condamine State School will be having a discipline audit on Wednesday 8th October 2014.

As part of this process, members of the community and parents may be contacted and asked questions about Condamine State School.

The purpose of this is to provide the auditor with valuable information about processes at school and see how clear out behaviour message is, not only at school, but also in the school community. Not all parents will be contacted in this process. However, I do want everyone to be aware so they are not caught off guard.
Melbourne Cup Vintage High Tea
(presented by the Condamine State School P&C)

in the garden of Kate and Ben Taylor

“Home-Leigh”, Condamine Q 4416
(25km South of Condamine on the Leichhardt Highway)

Tuesday 4th November 2014 from 10:30am

Tickets must be pre-booked.

Fashion Parade by:

Moskie
CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES BOUTIQUE

Tickets $35 pp

• Please join us for a day of fun, fine food, racing and fashion
• Live Racing Coverage
• Ticket includes glass of champagne on arrival and High-Tea
• Raffles and Sweeps available
• Fashions of the Field, with best dressed man, woman and couple

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Stalls by:

• 4littleones
• LK Homewares
• Spirited Style
• Kylie Bourne Mosaics
• Scott Bridle Photography
• Heidi’s Gifts
• The Fudge Lady

Bookings by Friday 17th October

If your “other half”, wants to come, but does not want to partake in High-Tea there is the option of them attending for the “Live Racing Coverage” and having some nibbles for $10.

By supporting this event you will help the Condamine SS P&C raise funds for IT Resources. Thankyou!