



Iluka Public School Newsletter 17

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Grand Final Thursday June 23

Iluka Community Hall - 9:30am



Term 2 Events

Tuesday June 21
Kindergarten 2017 transition.

Thursday June 23
Spelling Bee Grand Final Clarence Valley Schools at Iluka Community Hall

Friday June 24
NAIDOC DAY
Mongolia projects are due
Student reports sent home

Thursday June 30
Disco 6pm - 7:30pm
Iluka Community Hall

Friday July 3
CWA presentation awards for Mongolia projects

Home Baking For The Canteen

Donations for Canteen Monday June 27 is by Years 4/5 Parents (Mr Melrose's class) All donations will be appreciated. Please see Canteen News

Principal's News

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Reports

Student reports will be sent home on Friday June 24.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held in Week 10 with the exception of Year 4/5 (Mr Melrose) as he will be on a professional development course in Sydney. Mr Melrose will have his interviews early in Term 3. Please contact the school to arrange a suitable time.

Mrs Grayson and Mrs Gilbert began their training this week for the Department of Education Learning Management Business Reform (LMBR). During the upcoming months, they will be attending a total of 20 training days for this new administrative finance and wellbeing reform. To allow for our students to continue uninterrupted lessons I will be holding the fort in the office during the training days. There are also 5 training days for Principals, whereby I will be out of the school for the entire day. These are busy, but new and exciting times ahead.

Similarly the library is changing over software programs to a new system called, Oliver. Mr Jones has been working many hours after school completing on line training and further development in readiness for the transition period. I appreciate the effort that the administration staff are undertaking.

Late for School

I understand that from time to time, things happen that make children late for school, however there is an increasing percentage of our students continually arriving late to school after the 8:55am bell. Some students are continually missing vital learning time. Please ensure your children arrive on time to begin learning at 8:55am.

Fundraising Disco will be held on Thursday June 30 at the Iluka Community Hall. We are looking forward to a fun filled night of dancing. Money raised will go towards the costs of holding the Clarence Valley School's Spelling Bee. The cost is \$5 which includes a bottle of water and packet of chips. The disco commences at 6:00pm and concludes at 7:30pm.



Canteen Survives

Our school canteen survives from the generosity from our parent volunteers. We are always in need of more volunteers for a half day on Monday. Cassandra McClelland or Karla Morrison (or myself) are the people to see if you are able to assist.

Iluka Public School Spelling Bee Final

Last Friday saw a fabulous final across K-6 with students competing in the Iluka Public School Spelling Bee. Our finalists displayed strong spelling strategies and academic ability to showcase their spelling skills. Well done to all who competed.

The winning students were:- Elana, Decon, Caydnce, Millie, Zyra, Beau, Mitchell and Reef.

Stage 2 and 3 students will now contest the Clarence Valley Spelling Bee being held at the Iluka Community Hall this Thursday commencing at 9:30am. All are welcome to attend.



Kindergarten Class of 2017 Transition

On Tuesday June 21, 2016 the Kindergarten Class of 2017 are returning for their second time as part of their transition into 'big school'. Under the guidance of Mrs Adey and the Pre-School teachers, the class will be working in the computer room getting used to the layout, rules and life in general at Iluka Public School. Class will start at 9:00am and finish at 12noon.



Road Safety

Reminder to all parents who pick up and drop off their children, please do not call your son or daughter across the road. Please get out of the car and collect them by the hand using the school crossing. A near miss occurred early last week! Take Care!



Spelling Bee Morning Tea - Help Needed

This Thursday June 24, Iluka Public School is hosting the Clarence Valley Schools Spelling Finals at the Iluka Community Hall. We need donations of home baked goodies to serve with morning tea. All donations would be greatly appreciated and can be left at the canteen on Thursday morning. If you can on the day please contact the school.



School Choir

Congratulations to our K-6 choir placed highly commended and to our 1/2 verse speaking group, placed 1st at the Maclean Eisteddfod held on Monday. You represented yourselves, families and school proudly. By all accounts your behaviour and efforts were just great. Thank you to Miss Essey and music teacher Mrs Anne Commerford for your organisation, rehearsals and motivation in helping prepare all our students for the day.



Well done to Mrs Howard and her environmental team for the fruit and vegies that has been produced and sold over the past two weeks. One family in particular bought the school out of mandarins. I know Mr and Mrs Howard have worked consistently hard over the entire year getting the gardens to a point where we can now start to harvest the fruit and vegies crops.



Congratulations

The school community would like to congratulate Year 4 student Ned Haddrell. On Friday Ned competed in the Zone Cross Country Championships. Ned was placed 1st in the 2km Junior boy race. Ned now can claim to be the best Public School long distance runner between Tweed to Kempsey and out to Armidale. Ned now goes on to compete in Sydney at State Level. Ned has worked and trained hard and will continue to do so over the next few weeks. Well done!



CWA Ladies

Last Friday 10 ladies from the CWA visited our school to upgrade their computer skills. They were matched with a Yr 6 student in Mr Jones' class and learnt skills in using iPads, iPhones and laptops. It was great to see the ladies enjoying themselves.

Have a great week Phil



Byron Bay Writers Festival

As part of the Byron Bay Writers Festival, two well-known authors; Nick Falk and Kate Forsyth are coming to Maclean. Kate's children's books include, The Impossible Quest, the Puzzle Ring and Chain of Charms. Nick's most well known book is Samurai V Ninja. He has published 17 books.



Iluka Public School has been fortunate to acquire 18 tickets for the show being held at Maclean Public School on Friday August 5, 2016. The authors will each speak for approximately thirty minutes and then there will be a half hour for questions. The authors will be available to sign books, copies of which will be on sale. Tickets are available for \$8 each and will be sold on a "first in". Permission notes available at the office.

Class News—Week 9 Term 2

Kinder Class News

Kinder Maths Workshops -Next term I would like to organise maths workshops for the Kindergarten students. The main focus for the workshops will be to improve student learning in the maths area of number. An information sheet and sign on roster timetable was sent home last Friday. If you would like to help, please return the sign on roster timetable to school before **Monday June 27**.
Student Reports -Your child will be bringing home their semester one progress report on Friday. I will be available next week, if you would like to make an appointment with me to discuss your child's progress.

Reminders:

*NAIDOC Day is this Friday June 24. Please return the permission note and \$2.
 Lynne

Year 1 Class News

Week 9 already!

Reports - Reports are being sent home on Friday. If you would like to meet with me to discuss the report, please see me to arrange a time for next week.

Verse Speaking - Thank you so much to Miss Essery for coaching Year 1s in verse speaking and taking them to the Maclean Eisteddfod. I heard the performance was outstanding and they came first, winning a gold trophy!! Well done girls, boys and Miss Essery!!

Speaking Topics - This week - My Favourite Hobby/Spare Time Activity
 Next week - My Favourite Holiday

Reminders -

- Homework on Friday
- Mongolia projects due on Friday but can be sent in earlier
- NAIDOC Day at Shark Bay on Friday - permission note and \$2
- Child Protection notes

Have a great week.

Kristy

1/2 Class News

Hello everyone and welcome to Week 9.

I will be off class next Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Brown will be taking the class. Normal routines will continue. School reports will be handed out on Friday afternoon. I will be available for interviews on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of Week 10. Please see me to request a time.

Eisteddfod- The students performed wonderfully at the Eisteddfod in Maclean yesterday. I was so proud of them all! Miss Essery deserves a big thank you for all of her hard work in getting the students ready for the performance.

Family Trees- I would appreciate it if all of the family trees could be returned by the end of this week. We are unable to continue our work in this unit until all students have returned their family trees.

CWA Projects- The projects are due this Friday. Please ensure they are returned by then as they will be getting collected on Friday afternoon.

Have a great week.

Stacey

Yr. 3 Class News

Hi everyone! The students have been working well and are in the process of finishing their final units for the term. I am very impressed with the knowledge and enthusiasm shared in the presentation of their power points.

DIPL homework sheets went home yesterday and are to be returned on Friday. The maths booklets sent home last week are not compulsory. However I encourage students to complete them as it consolidates their learning.

Home Readers are due on Wednesday and the students should be nearing their goal of 100 nights reading by the end of this term.

Your child will be bringing home their semester one **report** on Friday. I will be available next week, if you would like to make an appointment with me to discuss your child's progress.

Bek Cunningham

4/5 Class News

Good Morning,

Reports are being sent home on Friday and as I will not be here in week 10, I will be holding **interviews in Week 1 Term 3**. So if you would like to meet with me to discuss the report, could you please contact the office to arrange a time for term 3. If you would like an earlier meeting please contact me this week.

NAIDOC DAY is on again this Friday at Shark Bay. Please remember the permission note and \$2. The **Mongolia projects** are due this Friday, however, they can be brought in earlier.

Homework will be sent home today and needs to be returned by next Tuesday or earlier.

Home Reading diaries need to be brought to school this Wednesday to be marked.

A big thank you to Marika Stephenson for the generous donation towards the Stage 2 Excursion.

Congratulations to all the spelling Bee champions. Good luck in the finals.

Have a great week. Cheers John

5/6 Class News

Hello from Homebase 1...

Reports will be coming home this week: Friday in fact. If you would like to discuss anything with me please arrange a time.

Home Reading: target for this term is 100 nights.

Garden success: well done to the class for their hands on work with selling produce from the garden. Basil was also harvested and with Mrs Haupt's assistance some basil pesto pasta cooked. We have raised \$140 that will be spent on chicken feed, 2 more hens as well as another fruit tree. Thank you for purchasing our produce!

Mongolia projects: are due this Friday.

Good luck: to Deacon and Elana this Thursday... at the Spelling Bee championships.

Well done: to all of the senior girls for your participation at Maclean eisteddfod.

Lovely to have some more glorious rain: like gold on our vegies! Di :)



NAIDOC DAY

This Friday, June 24, the whole school will be going to Shark Bay to celebrate NAIDOC Day.

The students will be participating in a range of activities, such as aboriginal games, sand modelling and craft activities. We will be having a picnic for lunch. Therefore, every family is required to provide a plate of food that can be shared amongst the students. If your child/ren has special dietary requirements, could you please provide a packed lunch for them to enjoy. All students will need to bring their recess and plenty of water, as there is no running water at Shark Bay. Students are encouraged to wear black, red and yellow clothing, along with their school hat and shoes. The only cost involved is \$2 for the bus. **Permission notes and payment need to be returned to school ASAP to ensure your child/ren do not miss out on this special, fun-filled day.**

Thanks, Stacey Anderson.

Library/ Technology News

Welcome to week 9 and what a jam packed week we have in store. On Thursday I will be off class as I will be at the Spelling Bee making sure everything runs smoothly. This means that Mrs Thompson will be taking my year 6 class in the morning and the 5/6 class for their library and ICT time after recess. May I remind the 5/6 class this will be their last chance to finish their video clips for Mongolia. Class 4/5 will also miss out on their library day this week as we will be at Shark Bay for NAIDOC Day. I had such an amazing time last year building a gunyah with the students and will be tackling the same project this year with them. Hopefully this year we don't get rained out and get to complete the project.

Infants Athletics Carnival

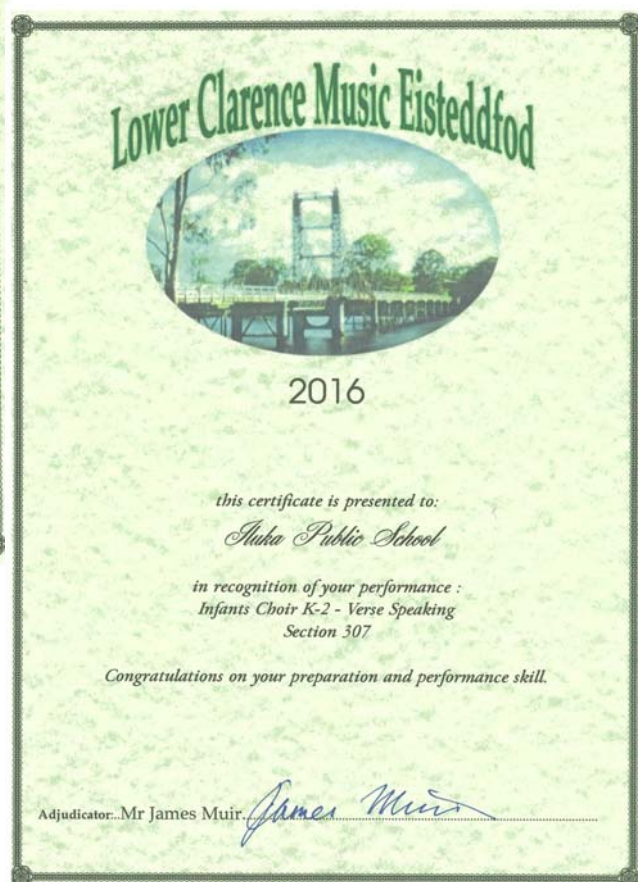
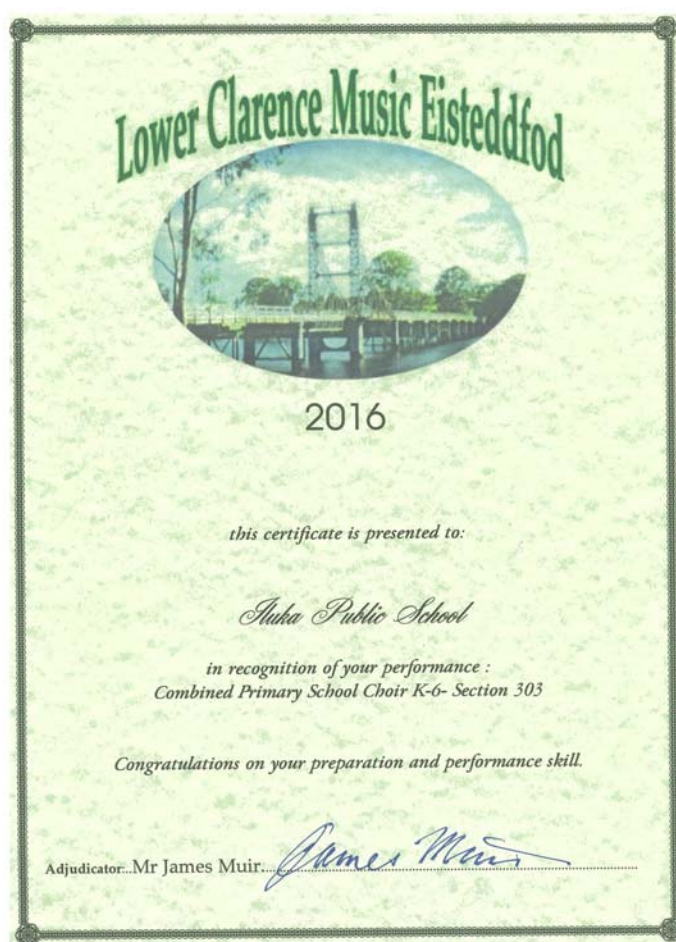
After the success of the Infants Swimming Carnival earlier this year, the staff have decided to trial a similar separate carnival for athletics. The Infants Athletics Carnival will be for students turning 5, 6 or 7 this year (so it will involve all students in Kinder and Year 1 this year). The carnival will be held on **Friday July 22** commencing at 9am on the school oval. Students will compete in running races, novelty events, modified field events, relays and even some of the traditional ball games. There will still be the rivalry between Hickey and Rush houses and the students are encouraged to wear their team colours. Hickey is green and Rush is yellow.

Please note - all students will still attend the whole school Athletics Carnival on Iluka Oval for the 5, 6 and 7 year old age races on Friday July 29. We will stay to cheer on the older students in their races before returning to school.

K. Gardner and L. Essery

Lower Clarence Music Eisteddfod

Congratulations to all the students that participated in the choir and verse speaking sections at the Lower Clarence Music Eisteddfod yesterday. Our choir sang beautifully and was awarded a highly commended placing. Well done! A big thank you to Anne Commerford for her ongoing support with the training of the choir. Our verse speaking team performed to their best and was awarded first prize. The Year One and Year Two students reaped the reward for all of their hard work during training sessions and brought home the gold cup. This is a wonderful achievement for Iluka Public School as this is the second consecutive year that we have won this section at the Maclean Eisteddfod. Will it be a third? Who knows, but I have already got the poems organised for next year! A big thank you to all the parents, carers, relatives and friends who came along to provide support. L. Essery





School Banking

Term 2 is almost at an end – next week 1/7/2016 will be the last week of banking for this term. Please note that the following rewards are now unavailable

Handball

Flying snake tail

However, there are rewards available from last year - Options available at this time are:

- Wildlife Writer Set Term 1 2016
- Outback Pat Bag Tag Term 2 2016
- Galaxy Glider 2015
- Outer Space Saver Money Box 2015
- Intergalactic Rocket 2015
- ET DVD 2015

2 new rewards will be released in Term 3

- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip rope

Just a reminder to please fill in all details in your bank book – as it can take a considerable amount of time to individually fill in those aren't fill in correctly.

Remember banking is on Fridays

Jess Edie - 0478091039



Term 2

Monday 27 June - Cassandra McClelland, Kay Graham, Karla Morrison.

Please ring Karla (0405638768) or Cassandra (0413044405) if you are unable to work.

We are currently updating our list of volunteers. If you wish to help out could you please let either Karla or Cassandra know.

Next week's class to donate is Years 4/5 - Mr Melrose's. Any baked goods are appreciated but we also would love to see any home grown fruits and salads/vegies as well.

New menu coming soon. Also, we no longer have chicken nuggets or spring rolls available. We do, however, now sell chicken drumsticks - Honey Soy or Seasoned - for \$1.00.

Karla and Cassandra

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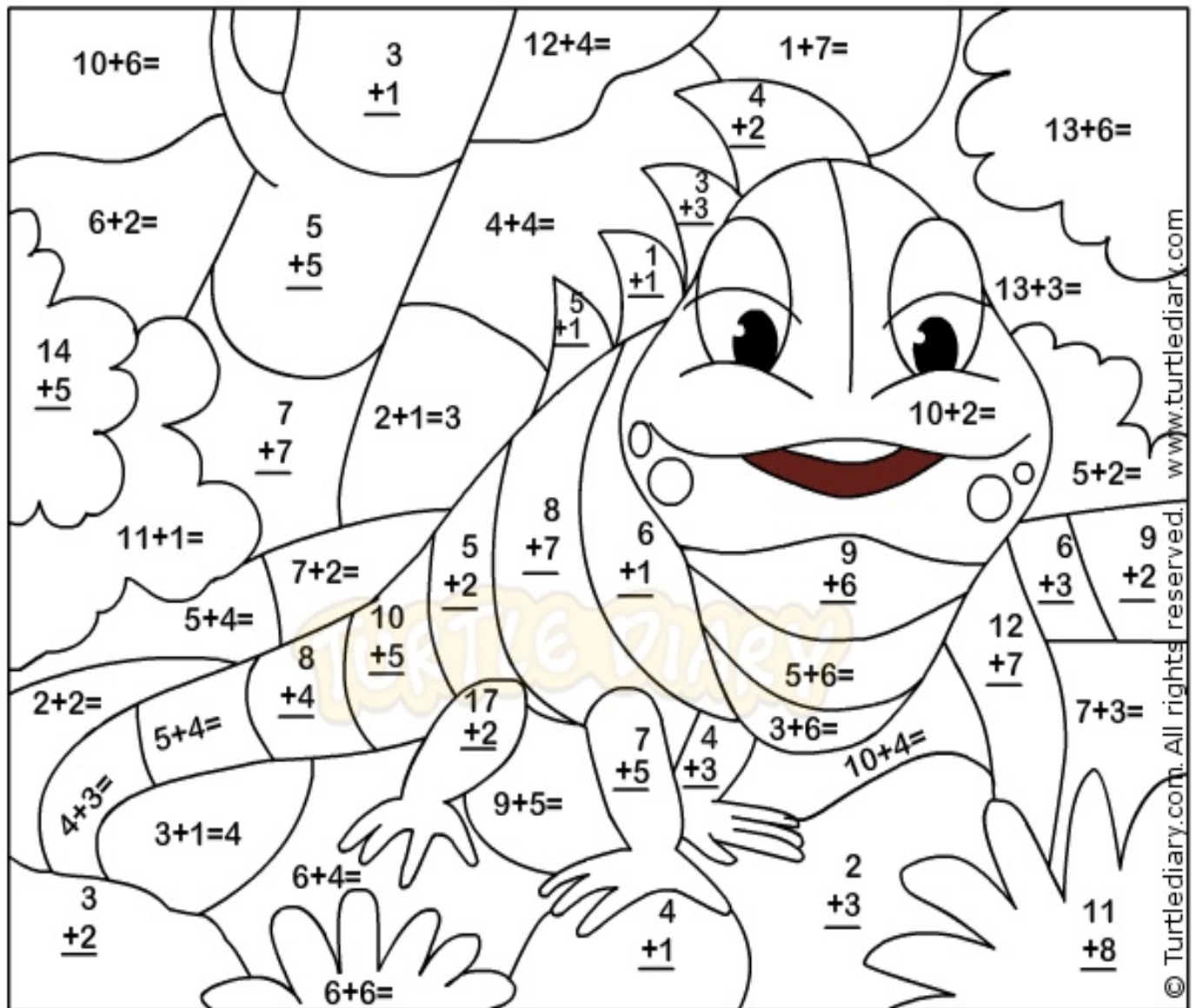
Doctor's referral is not necessary.
To make an appointment please
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If you require any further
information please call
Fiona Murray - 66211206

MATHS COMPETITION 5

Please complete the attached Maths puzzle by Thursday afternoon for your chance to win a small prize.

Add the given numbers and color the picture.



green 7,12,19

pink 2,6

gray 5

yellow 9,11,15

 blue 16,8,3

 brown 4,10,14



Parenting ideas

Five ways to know you are over-parenting

By Michael Grose

Here's 5 tips to find a more balanced approach to over-parenting or helicopter parenting and encourage children to become independent young people.

It's a quirk of twenty-first century parenting that we need an objective measure to assess our parenting. Past generations were satisfied with more subjective measures such as whether their kids were happy; whether they got good marks at school; whether they were employable; and whether or not if they stayed out of trouble (read goal in extreme cases)! It's safe to say the parenting waters were far clearer in the past than they appear to be now. But the parenting industry has come a long way in a short time so we now have stringent indicators that let us know what parenting track we maybe on. And that, for many people, would appear to be the over-parenting track.

You know you are over-parenting if:

1. You take on all, or nearly all, of a child's problems.

Kids are good at handballing their problems to their parents. They'll bring disputes with siblings for you to sort; expect you to take forgotten school lunches to school and pester you to organise their after-school lives. Mums and dads that over-parent invariably end up sorting out all their children's problems which may make life easier in the short-term, but can mean kids become more dependent on their parents than children in the past.

Point to remember: *Leave some problems for kids to solve*

2. You regularly do for a child the things he or she can reasonably do for themselves.

It's an irony of modern life that the busier parents get the more we tend to do for kids. In the race to get things done we dress young children; prepare children's snacks and accompany them on trips outside the house even when they are old enough to do these activities themselves. If your child is becoming more rather than less dependent the older he becomes then it's probably time to reassess your parenting.

Point to remember: *Never do regularly for a child the things they can do for themselves.*

3. You take on too many of your child's responsibilities

Let's see how you go with these questions! *"Who's responsible for getting your child up each morning? Who's responsible for packing lunches and bags? Who is responsible for cleaning away children's toys?"* If you answered "My children, of course", then congratulations; you shifted responsibility to where it rightfully lay: with kids. If not, then you guessed it. It may be time for a parenting reassessment.

Point to remember: *If you want a child to be responsible then give responsibility to him.*

4. You know too much about your child's life

Being an attentive parent of a small family invariably means that you know in minute detail every quirk and vagary of your child's life. *"He didn't eat all his breakfast this morning. Hmm! That's not good."* *"She seems a bit grumpy after school. What's wrong?"* *"They left their jumper at home. I'd better take it to them."* Kids benefit from having some emotional and physical space from their parents. It gives them chances to rely on their own resourcefulness and develop the skills needed to get by on their own.

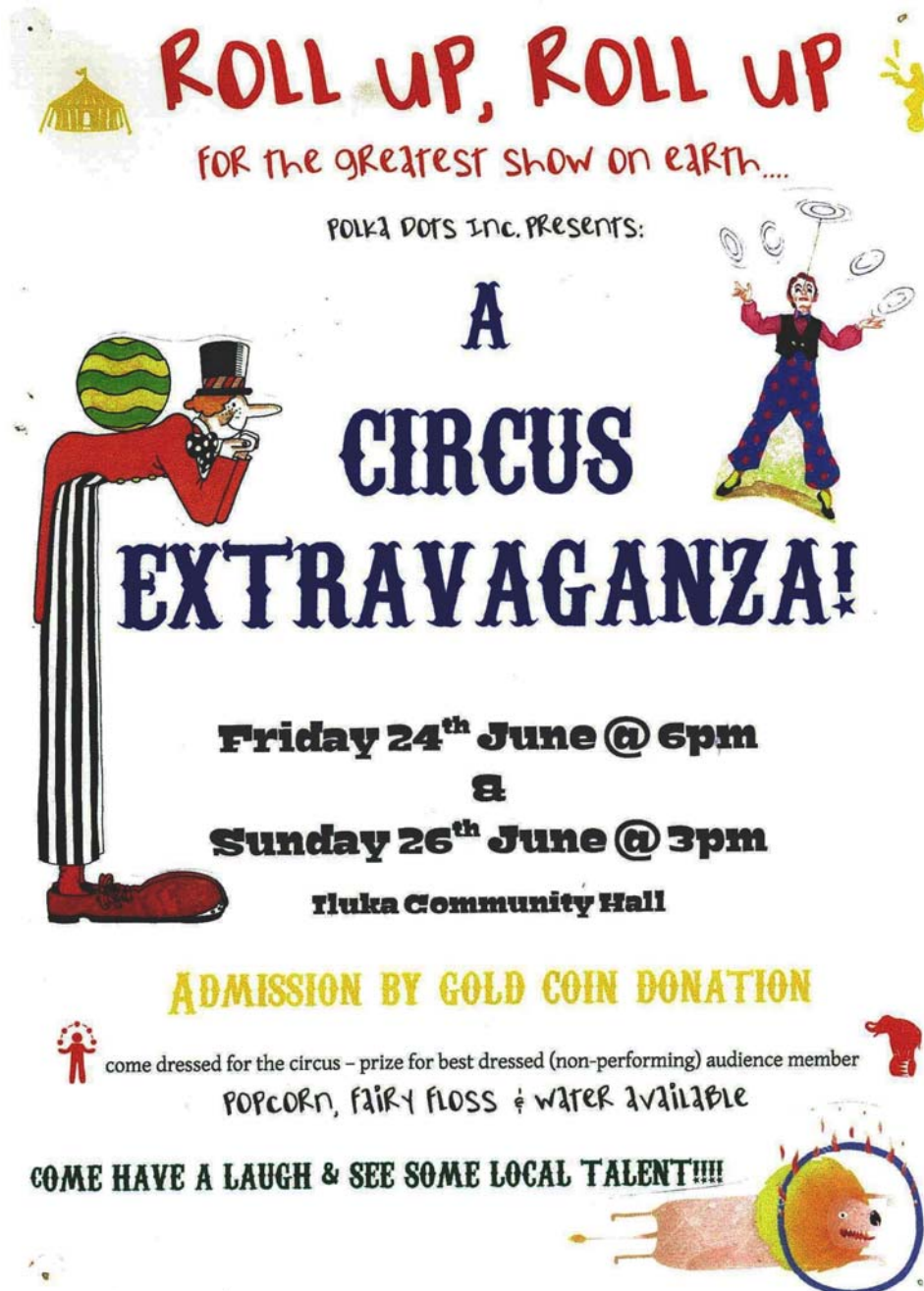
Point to remember: *A little bit of benign neglect can benefit children's development.*

5. You parent the individual and not the gang

If you are constantly trying to make sure life is smooth for each child then you are probably parenting the individual, rather than for the good of the whole family! I'm not talking about 'playing favourites', but having an intense focus on meeting each individual's wants can often be at the expense of family life in general. For instance, you allow a child to go on a sleepover rather than attend the birthday of a sibling. Parenting the gang means that children need to fit into the patterns of family life and don't always get what they want.

Point to remember: *Raise your small family with a big family mindset.*

Most of the research indicates the authoritative approach as 'parenting best practice'. Authoritative parenting is a mix of firmness and warmth; discipline and nurturance; high expectations and relationship building. It's an approach that sits... surprise, surprise... somewhere between over-parenting and under-parenting. Yep, as always a balanced approach to parenting, as to most things in life, seems to be the best way to go. Who would've thought it!



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