Stage 2 Excursion – Lake Ainsworth
Year 3 & 4, Lake Ainsworth, Wednesday, 20th to Friday, 22nd August.
Please make sure you finalise all medical forms and payments prior to leaving. The bus will be leaving school at 9.30am on Wednesday and students should be back at school by 2.45pm on Friday.

P&C Meeting
The P&C Meeting for this Wednesday evening has been cancelled, due to a number of unwell committee members.

K-6 Assembly and Book Parade
Our next K-6 Assembly is being held on Thursday, 21st August. All Bronze and Silver Awards should have been handed to Mr Blacklow.

Book Week
Goonellabah Public School is celebrating “Book Week” this week with a Book Fair in the library. This is a great opportunity for students and parents to purchase books. There will be a dress up Book Parade at 9.20am on Thursday in the hall. Parents and carers are all welcome.

Performing Arts Festival
Students from Goonellabah Public School will be attending the Performing Arts Festival next week. Choral, Choir and Band members will be attending rehearsals, matinee and evening performances.

School Sores/Impetigo
There have been a few reports in the past couple of weeks regarding “School Sores”. Please read the information below on how to treat them.

Symptoms
Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.

School or home?
Keep your child home from school until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.

How can I help prevent spread?
Parents of children who may have had contact with impetigo should look for signs of infection and seek treatment if symptoms develop. Careful hand washing especially after changing dressings. Avoid sharing toilet articles, towels, clothing or bed linen. Consider using anti-bacterial soap for bathing for two to three weeks. Avoid scratching or touching the lesions to prevent spread to other parts of the body. Completing the recommended antibiotic course is very important.

Mark Spencer,
Principal
Goonellabah Public School had 28 students attend the PSSA Zone Athletics carnival with Miss Hamshaw last Friday. After a lot of concern around wet weather it turned out to be a fantastic day. All students’ behaviour and attitudes are to be commended. We had competitors in all track and field events except discuss. The students participated to their very best abilities and we saw many personal bests broken on the day. Some of the most notable achievements on the day were: Sienna-8yrs 100m finalist Michael-11yrs 200m finalist Zeke-Jnr shotput top 10 Sienna, Juantaya, Charissa & Shannon – Jnr girls relay finalist Oren-11yrs high jump 2nd Brandon- 9yrs 100m 1st Oren and Brandon qualified for the next level, they will compete at the North Coast PSSA Athletics Carnival on Friday, 29th August at Riverview Park, Lismore. Good luck to the boys at the next level.