Classroom Happenings:
A number of visitors have been welcomed to the school in the past fortnight.

Ms Kim Fredericks, Regional Director - Central Queensland Region together with Mrs Linda Vella, ECEC - Mackay and Fiona Connor, Western Capability Coordinator – Longreach popped in on their way back to Longreach after a western trip to visit with schools involved in the Kindy 2017 pilot program.

Mr Brendan Smith, Assistant Regional Director - Central Queensland had a longer visit and during his time observed a LOTE lesson which was delivered by eLearning from Mackay.

The boys travelled with Miss M to the Jundah SS to meet with His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC, Governor of Queensland. After a short assembly students moved to the classroom and while they continued on with their lessons the visiting party moved around the room speaking with students.

On Wednesday Joshua French and Kristin Lawrence from North and West Remote Health did a session with the students. Kristin shared a book about rainbow foods and spoke of the importance of eating a range of different coloured foods every day before the boys constructed food rainbows.

The website www.veggycation.com.au hosts a wealth of information about health benefits of vegetables and was highly recommended by the dietitian.

The boys did a number of stretching exercises and outdoor activities with Joshua French who is an exercise physiologist. They discovered that if they stretched prior to undertaking physical activities they improved their performance.

Explicit Improvement Agenda – Writing
For this week’s on-demand writing task students were presented with the statement, School holidays should be longer. After thinking about the idea they had to decide if they agreed or disagreed then they had to write to convince a reader of their opinions.

All students were of the opinion that school holidays should be longer. Their reasons varied greatly but one opinion was that it would give the teachers more time to plan their lessons so they didn’t have to use their weekends. The extra time to help parents was mentioned a number of times.
### Barcoo Athletics Carnival
The Barcoo Shire Athletics carnival was held at Stonehenge on Friday 21st October.

**Results:**
- Barcoo Shire Perpetual Shield – Windorah
- Wray Buntine Memorial Trophy for Relays – Jundah
- Tamie Geiger Memorial Ball Games Trophy – Windorah
- Mohammed Family Memorial March Past Trophy – Windorah
- War Cry – Stonehenge

**Minor Junior Girl:** Dominique Gorringe (Windorah) tied with Kyanna Gorringe (Windorah)
**Minor Junior Boy:** Koby Geiger (Windorah)
**Junior Girl:** Asialee Gorringe (Windorah)
**Junior Boy:** Jack McCamley (LSODE)
**Senior Girl:** Emily Dicinoski (Jundah)
**Senior Boy:** Jerome Wall (Windorah)

### Attendance
To maximise learning outcomes it is important that every student, every day is in attendance.

The average attendance for Term 4 to date is 94.5% while individual attendance of students range from 97.2% to 89.4%.

### 2017 School Term Dates
**Term 1:** 23/1/2017 – 15/9/2017
**Term 2:** 10/7/2017 – 15/9/2017
**Term 3:** 3/10/2017 – 1/12/2017
**Term 4:** 2/12/2017 – 23/1/2017

### Upcoming events
- **11th November Remembrance Day**
- **2nd December Newsletter**
- **2nd December Semester 2 reports**
- **Term 4 concludes December 2nd**