Three sleeps to go until our centenary! So much hard work has gone into this event it is going to be great. Student attending will be performing in the whole school choir as a part of the official proceedings and there are a range of activities for the children to participate in throughout the day. In the evening we will make the trip up the road to Brookfield State School to have an old fashioned bush dance in their hall. Tickets are on sale through the office or at the merchandise stall at the centenary. On the day we will have a videographer interviewing and collecting footage to record the day as the historical event that it is. They will ask people for permission to use footage and interview and if you would rather not take part please let them know kindly. This video is not going to be used as promotional material but rather as an historical record of the day for the purpose of the school and school families.

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the West Akuna Track and Field competition at QE2 with our district athletes. Olly, Aya, Ruby, Ollie, Xavier, Luc and Zoe all did our school proud by giving their best efforts in each of their events.

School opinion surveys were recently sent home. The closing date for these is Friday. Please take the time to provide us with valuable feedback so that we can continue to make UBSS the best school it can be. If internet access is an issue please let me know and we can arrange for you to complete the survey at the school. This is something that the school is judged and that is used as a measure to gauge our school’s performance so your feedback will be taken very seriously.

From the Principal

Physical Education

We are week 3 into our new sport – Rugby Union a program run by the Queensland Reds. They have been learning the skills of how to pass across their bodies and how to score a try by placing the ball on the ground and not dropping it! This week the instructor introduced how to tackle properly, the poor tackling bag got quite a workout from all the students pummelling it to the ground.

The enthusiasm of the students while they are passing and running has been a joy to watch. Watch out Reds!!
From the LOTE Room

I love term 3! It is the term that we can enjoy the most (I think). On 16th of August, we are expecting the most fantastic Japanese Taiko Drum Performance by TOKOTON- Taiko Group. They visited us last year and we had such a great time. The performance starts at 10 am. I hope to see as many parents as possible who can participate in the event with us.

This term, in the happy, chappy P-2 class, we are focusing on exchanging greetings and introducing self, using Japanese language. As we are expecting Yuko Sensei comes to visit our school from Japan for two Tuesdays in August, we will polish our skill to say ‘Hello, my name is..’ to introduce ourselves to the Japanese speaking teacher. Yuko Sensei is a kindy teacher in Japan. She is young and lively! We are looking forward to meeting with her, she will teach us some exciting activities!

In 3 to 6 class this term, we are concentrating on the writing system of Hiragana script. By the end of this term, everyone in this class will be the master of Hiragana! Hopefully, using lots of technology that children learn very effectively. The New Unit this term is ‘My Favourite Private Space’. Students will talk about and write about their favourite place to spend their time on weekends. It will help them learn how to describe various aspects of daily life, such as routines and past time. They also learn to express preference, showing interest in others.

By the way, we are finishing off the letter to Japan, so it will be ready to go!

Rowswell Sensei