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DAILY HIGHLIGHTS

- * 9.00am - 5.00pm: Farriers and Blacksmiths
- * 9.00am - 11.00am: Dairy Cattle Judging
- * 9.00am - 12.00pm: Bush Bands
- * 9.00am - 5.00pm: Dairy Goat Judging
- * 12.00pm - 5.00pm: Small Breeds Stud Beef Judging
- * 8.00pm - 9.30pm: The Rising Suns - Australian Army Band.

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SMALL SCHOOL WINS BIG

By Aria and Liam



Bowenville State School, a small school with 14 students located approximately half-way between Dalby and Oakey, won the School's Heaviest Pumpkin competition at the Brisbane Ekka.

The students said that they were very happy and excited when they found out they had won the competition with a 38.5-kilogram pumpkin.

"Giant pumpkins interest me a lot, because I've never grown one before and I thought it would be amazing to let the kids experience growing a giant pumpkin," Mrs Fallon Wise, a teacher aide at the School, said.

"The most exciting part of growing the giant pumpkin was we measured it every week and some days we even

measured it every day. Seeing that a pumpkin can grow five centimetres in one day, it just blew my mind and it was pretty incredible to see and watch it develop. I think that was pretty exciting."

"I think everyone's pretty proud and it's a pretty big achievement for such a little school," Mrs Wise said:

The runner up for the competition, Newmarket State School, was equally excited with a 25-kilogram pumpkin.

"Everybody was delighted to see us do so well," Mrs Vicki Richards, Principal of Newmarket State School, said.

The giant vegetables are on display at the entrance to the Agricultural Hall.