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Newsletter Term 1 Week 7

Principal's Report

Hi Everyone,

Reading, Numeracy and Attendance are our 3 big School Improvement items.

We are supporting Reading by having Roadvale Readers' Recognition in the Library from 8.15am, we also provide 1 on 1 support for Sight Words and alphabet recognition. Thank you to Mr David Cremer for being a volunteer at our school. Further literacy support is provided with purchased Teacher Aide time. Staff continue to develop their expertise by participating in professional learning. Numeracy is supported with small group lessons with a school focus on Problem Solving. 95 % Attendance has been hampered by some illnesses. We do encourage attendance every day. If you have concerns about whether your child is well enough please talk to us. Students who have 95% attendance will be invited to have lunch with the principal. If you miss school – you miss learning – and you miss opportunities. Attendance so far this year for each year level is tabled below. Well done Preps and Year 6.

Prep – 97%	Yr 1–93.1%	Yr 2 – 92.5%	Yr 3 – 88.2%	Yr 4 – 91.4%	Yr 5-94%	Yr 6-94.8%
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3 Way Conversations

Our first 3 way conversations for 2017 will be taking place in Week 10 this term. 3 Way conversations include you, your child and your child's teacher. Students will share their learning with you and have the opportunity to discuss their learning goals. Please return the invitation with your 3 preferences for times by the 20 March. Karen and I will negotiate family interviews. Interviews are scheduled in 15 minute intervals, please be on time or let us know if you need to reschedule.

NAPLAN

Naplan dates for 2017 are 9-11 May. Year 3 & 5 students will be involved in testing. They will participate in Language Conventions-Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. If you are planning holidays at this time please reconsider as our small numbers makes it easy to skew results and not reflect our true efforts.

SunSmart

We recently applied for a SunSmart Grant for over the Sand Pit. As part of the application the school is required to promote sun safety. SLIP, SLOP, SLAP, SEEK & SLIDE.

Slip on a shirt; slap on some sunblock; slap on a hat; seek shade and slide on some sunglasses.

Quotes to cover the sandpit range from \$5000 to \$9000. The grant will provide up to half the cost up to \$5000.

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Bullying No way

The school has registered to participate in this program. The student leaders are working on a presentation for Assembly on Monday 13 March. Our Guidance Officer has been working with all the students as to what bullying looks like, sounds like and feels like.

Get the facts on online safety

Today's children spend more time on the internet than they spend watching television. 97% of households with children aged under 15 years have access to the internet. 78% of parents are worried their child will be bullied online.

Do you know how to keep your children safe when they are using social media or playing an online game? If the answer is not really then you need to visit the Queensland Family and Child Commission's Out of the Dark Expo on Saturday 11 March between 10.00am & 3.00pm at the State Library of Queensland, South Brisbane. For more information visit qfcc.qld.gov.au

Parenting News

A new school year means a clean slate for students. Here are 7 ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever at school

A new school year means a fresh start for students. Regardless of your child's performance last year, they start school with a clean slate. A break offers students the chance to begin new habits and adopt new behaviours.

This article provides seven ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever year at school.

Harmony Day

We're proud to celebrate the diversity of our students and staff. Please help our student leaders by telling us where your family [name] originated from. We will be wearing 'Blue' and donating a gold coin to a charity to support cultural diversity.

Gymnastics

What a fantastic session with Michelle. Everyone participated, tried hard, had fun and enjoyed the hour session. We look forward to more gymnastics for the rest of the term.

Same day absent Text messaging

Education Policy requires us to text families the same day a child is absent unless prior notification has been given. Please make use of our school mobile and text when your child is absent. Mobile number is: 0476808116.

Check in/Check out

We have implemented a new procedure for late arrivals, no late slips needed. We ask you to use the Check In and Check Out Book in the office foyer.

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Scenic Rim Council

The council has provided us several copies of '**Reptiles in the Scenic Rim Region**'. It is a well produced book about reptiles found in our Backyards. These can be purchased from the school office for \$10. All money raised goes to our school. An order slip will be at the end of the Newsletter. Come and view the book at the office.

School review – opportunity to have your say

Our school is scheduled for a school review from Term 2-4. The Department of Education and Training has introduced new performance reviews for Queensland state schools in 2015. The reviews do not rate or compare schools but provide independent and quality feedback to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students. All schools will have a review at least every four years. A final report is made available to parents and the community on the school's website. The review team would like to hear from our school community and I encourage anyone who is interested to have their say. Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for students. If you are interested in speaking to the reviewers, or would like more information about the review process, please contact the office. Further information about the reviews is available from the department's website at: education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-performance-assessment-framework

Free Microsoft Office 2016 for students

All Queensland state school students can download multiple free copies of the latest Microsoft Office to their personal home computers and mobile devices.

Students will need to use their school email address to sign in. The subscription lasts as long as they are a Queensland state school student. To download Office 2016 to a PC or Mac, visit portal.office.com

Log in using your school email address, click through to install and follow the onscreen process. For tablets and smartphones, download from the app store and sign in with your school email address. Detailed instructions are available at education.qld.gov.au/office2016

Behaviour Focus

Be safe, Be responsible, Be respectful and Be an active learner are our school rules. This term we will be looking at how these rules apply, why we follow them and what we will be looking for. Our application to be a Positive Behaviour for Learning has been accepted.

This week our focus is about being safe. Lining up quietly in 2 lines facing the way we are going.

Next week our focus will be respectful – using greetings.

Student of the Week 6 & 7 – Cooper, Lee

Charlie Award – Ellie, Ada

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School Banking

School banking day will again be on Wednesday this year

P & C

New Uniform & Logo

Thank you for comments posted in our 'Have your Say' book.

These will be taken to the P&C Meeting on the 9 March where a final decision and vote will be made.

If you are interested in being involved in the P & C, meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month. Membership applications have been sent home but are available at the office.

The AGM where all executive positions are declared vacant and election for these positions was held on the 8 March, 2017. Positions:

President: Matt Murray

Vice President: Kirsten Beasley

Secretary: Troy Smith

Treasurer: Cathy Hornburg

Fundraising Committee: Kirsten Beasley

Tuckshop: Helena Murray

Uniform: Kirsty Mocker/Katherine Hawkins

Tuckshop & Uniform Help for 2017

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Without your support we will **not** be able to run a weekly Tuckshop. Tuckshop in a small school is a team effort and the students really look forward to Tuckshop lunches. If you can help with orders, shopping or preparation please contact Christine Birch or myself at the school. You may be able to help with your time in preparing food, home baking or donations of fruit.

Christine Birch is looking for help in running the Uniform Shop. If you are interested please contact Christine or the school.

Some Dates to remember

13 March – Bullying No Way

14 March - Darren Scott Assistant Regional Director – to visit

17 March – Student Leader’s Conference

21 March – Harmony Day

27-31 march – Parent-teacher-student conversations

31 March – Hat Parade

31 March Term 1 concludes

18 April – Term 2 resumes

24 April – School Anzac Commemoration

25 April – Anzac Day



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