13 July 2016

Principal – Jacqueline Fiedler

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you found your child’s report card a valuable insight into their learning progress. Parents are welcome to make appointments with class teachers should they wish to discuss any aspects. I had the joy of reading report cards and I was thrilled with the significant progress many children have made in Semester 1. I could certainly see evidence of the support parents also give their children at home by reading with them, practising sight words and generally having conversations about interesting things that give many children the extra edge to their improvements. Mathletics is also a great tool to practise maths concepts and speed of number recall.

CONGRATULATIONS ARIANA
I am very excited to share some wonderful news. Our school captain and netball superstar, Ariana (6P) has now made it through to the 12 & Under Queensland State team and will be competing in Melbourne at the National competition in August. This is a wonderful achievement and we wish her every success in the competition.

NEW STAFF
We are very pleased to welcome Mrs Wendy Wakefield to our staff as acting Head of Curriculum. Wendy comes to us from Slacks Creek SS and is well experienced in the role. She will be a wonderful asset to our school and I know our school community will make her welcome.

My Tony Smith also joins us as Guidance Officer while Ms O’Sullivan is on leave. Tony is also a very experienced Guidance officer and we are very pleased to have him supporting our students.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY
This week a random selection of parents will receive an invitation to complete an online survey about the school. This survey is completed every year and provides us a good insight into how we are travelling as a school and supporting our staff, students and community. All our staff and year 5 and 6 students will also complete the survey. Thank you for assisting us with your valuable opinions.
STUDENT ABSENCES
As you will have seen in the media recently we are required to account for every child every day to ensure that children are safe. We are currently exploring two options to assist us with managing student absences. We will soon be providing a Q Parents app for parents which is a secure portal to access your child information. We are also exploring a notification system which alleviates the timely practice of admin staff calling parents to enquire why their child is absent.

It is essential parents notify us when a child is absent from school and the reason. You can do this by sending a note or email to the teacher or school email or by phoning and leaving a message on the School Absence Line – 3820 0766. We are required to record all the information on our ‘One School’ system.

It is also essential that we have up to date contact information and phone numbers for parents and emergency contacts. If you have recently changed your contact information please advise the school immediately.

We thank you for your cooperation and assistance so we can ensure we meet Education Queensland guidelines.

UNIFORMS
Once again we have a full basket of lost property and all are unnamed items. This basket is sorted every week and any item with a name on it is returned to its owner. Please ensure you NAME all your child’s belongings.

Jackie Fiedler – Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
20-24 June 2016

Jal, William, Nisa, Georgia, Ethan, Emily, Ruddia, Mark, Paige, Knayte, Matthew, Alicia, Ethan, Isaac, Jordan, Miguel

Great Work Students

SCHOOL PHOTOS UPDATE
The estimated delivery time of your School Photos is the week of 18th July 2016.

If you have any queries about your order or to order other photos please contact Donna on 0427 946 360 or email countryschoolphotos@gmail.com

CHAPPY NEWS
Breakfast Club – started again this week. Every Monday at 7:45am, Brekkie is available outside the Tuckshop for all the students of our school. Another big thanks to Bruce and his team from Cornerstone Christian Church who climb out of their warm beds each Monday to feed us.

Grade 6 Boyz Club – meets every Monday at first break with Mr S.
School Banking is a great fundraiser for our school. We receive $5 for every Activated Account via the School Banking program (i.e. for each student who banks through the school’s program for the very first time) and 5% of every deposit made at school (up to a maximum of $10 commission per individual deposit).

For more information visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking or contact the Office Staff.

WOOL DONATIONS
We are asking for donations of wool. One of our lovely grandmothers has expressed interest in teaching some of our students to knit.

If you have any spare balls of wool laying around, we would be very grateful for the donations.

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School Events Calendar

20 July
Healthy Mouth Day – Prep, Yr 1

16 Aug
Carnival Day

6 Sep
Parent Interviews

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Sunday 17 July
Bunnings BBQ

Tuesday 2 Aug
P&C Meeting

Monday 8 Aug
Ekka Show Holiday

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