

STUDENT ABSENCES – Telephone 3286 0660

| DIARY DATES | | |
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| MAY 2016 | | |
| Thurs | 19 | 7.45am Senior Band |
| Fri | 20 | 7.45am Senior Orchestra 8.30am Yr 5/6 Sports Challenge Cup |
| Mon | 23 | 1pm Fanfare Junior and Senior Bands 2.30pm Parade |
| Tues | 24 | 7.50am Senior Choir – Music Room 8.00am Beginners Strings – Hall |
| Wed | 25 | 7.45am Junior Band 9am Student Banking |
| Thurs | 26 | 7.45am Senior Band |
| Fri | 27 | 7.45am Senior Orchestra School Disco P-2 5-6.30pm Yr 3-6 7-8.30pm |
| Mon | 30 | Beginner Band/Strings Camp |
| Tues | 31 | 7.45am Senior Band |
| JUNE 2016 | | |
| Wed | 1 | 7.45am Senior Orchestra 9am Student Banking |
| Thur | 2 | 7.45am Senior Band |
| Fri | 3 | 7.45am Senior Orchestra 8.30am Yr 5/6 Sports Challenge Cup |

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Students, Parents and Staff,

Senior Rugby League Finalists

Last Wednesday afternoon, our Senior Rugby League team played a thrilling grand final match against Redland Bay State School. Whilst they were defeated by Redland Bay, the boys showed great determination right until the final whistle. I would like to congratulate the boys and their coach Mr Davies, for a great effort in making the final and playing so well on the day. You have done the school and yourselves proud!

School Disco – Friday 27th May

On Friday, 27th May we will be conducting our first school disco for the year. Our Student Council has organised the disco with the theme being to come dressed as something starting with letter "S".

On the night, our P&C Association will also be selling food and drinks from the hall canteen, as one of their fundraising activities, so your support would be greatly appreciated.

Our Junior Disco, Prep to Yr 2, starts at 5pm and finishes at 6.15pm, with our Senior Disco, Yrs 3-6, going from 6.30pm until 8.00pm. Looking forward to seeing you at the disco.

Landscape Masterplan Project

Our P&C Association has engaged the services of Delve Consulting, Landscape Architects to design and develop a new masterplan for identified areas within our school grounds. As part of the design process the consultant would like to ensure that members of our community are provided with information about the project, as well as the opportunity to provide comments and feedback on the school's facilities, particularly the playground and outdoor spaces.

Parents, students and staff members wishing to provide feedback and comments are invited to collect an information sheet and

survey from the office foyer. Completed survey sheets need to be returned to the office by **Friday 7th June 2016**.

Staff Carparks

Last week I sent home a letter to parents advising that our carparks, located to the left of the administration block and beside our school hall, are for **employees use only**. Parents wishing to accompany students into the school grounds will need to park their vehicle on neighbouring streets and walk them through the pedestrian access gates.

In the interest of student safety, students should not be walked through the staff carparks.

Your understanding and co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Regards
Marg Lane

FROM THE HEAD OF CURRICULUM

The major framework that we are using to guide our reading program is the Big 6 of Reading. The Big 6 describes the six focus areas that we use when explicitly teaching students reading skills. Each of these areas are focused on differently depending up on the age and stage of our readers.

Fluency

Fluency is a key contributor toward independent and successful reading and is comprised of three components: accuracy, rate, and prosody (expression).

Vocabulary

Vocabulary knowledge is fundamental to being an independent and successful reader and writer and is comprised of the words that are understood when heard or read.

Oral Language

Oral language is the foundation for the development of literacy skills and is considered to be a strong indicator of later reading, writing, and overall academic achievement.

Phonological Awareness

Phonological awareness is an individual's awareness of the phonological structure, or sound structure, of spoken words and is an important and reliable predictor of later reading ability.

Letter-sound Knowledge (Phonics)

Phonics instruction is an important part of our literacy program, as it provides a basis for readers to draw upon when attempting to name words that are not immediately known.

Comprehension

Comprehension is about understanding authors' messages and responding to these messages in a range of ways. Our teachers are working hard to integrate these areas into all elements of their reading programs and we are enjoying working on a common approach to the teaching of reading.

WELLO CHAMPS

Congratulations to **Scott 2B** and **Mason B 5B** who were this week's Wello Champs!

**LOTE AWARD**

Congratulations **Rafe B** who was the LOTE (Language Other Than English) – Japanese Award winner this week.



CLASS OF THE WEEK 3W



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following students, who received a certificate at assembly.

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| PK | Charlotte | 3J | Sonia N |
| PO | Keane G | 3W | Noah M |
| PP | Arlia S | 3/4T | Caitlin C |
| 1A | Braith P | 4B | Ellie M |
| 1D | Tahlia S | 4M | Matko L |
| 1G | Cohen S | 5F | Jusuf S |
| 1/2J | Zac N | 5W | Emily F |
| 2B | Lilly A | 5B | Evvy S |
| 2G | Ryan O | 6C | Emily O |
| 2S | Max | 6D | Lauren L |
| 3C | Catherine M | 6R | Blake M |

LIBRARY NEWS

The Premier's Reading Challenge started Monday. Your child should have received a card to record their books on. Happy reading everyone! Mardi, Michelle and Sue

KITCHEN/GARDEN NEWS

A lot has been happening in our kitchen garden program during the hiatus from newsletter reports; we have farewelled our previous gardener Mrs Rebecca Wuth and welcomed our new gardener Mrs Leah McLean. The garden is looking fabulous heading into the colder months with wonderful crops of cabbage, pak choy, broccoli and lettuce filling every available space. We have also had more chooks added to the Hen Hilton. All beautiful girls laying eggs for us daily. Feel free to pop down for a meet and greet. In Kitchen we have been touring the world with our cuisine and this week we will be sampling the delights of Italian food. Come and help in a class and sample some great food made by our junior master chefs, think pizza and pasta....Molto Bella! (very nice!) Thanks Larissa & Leah

POWER PLAY is back! Every Wednesday, 3.00pm to 5.30pm in the hall. The cost is \$145.00. Just bring a pair gym shoes and water bottle and maybe a towel because you will sweat! **All your favourite sports. Contact Corey Dean 0403988229.**

TUCKSHOP/UNIFORM SHOP

BURRITOS are now available on Wednesday. Mexican mince, lettuce, cheese, tomato and sour cream on burrito. Available both breaks.

Also new to menu - **Breakfast Menu** - available before school ** New ** Cheesies \$2.50. ½ breadroll with melted cheese. Add tomato 50 cents, add ham \$1.00.

Available **Thursdays only!** Sub – Chicken and Gravy \$3.60 or Sub - Beef and Gravy \$3.60.

P & C NEWS

Have you received your Trivia Night registration form? Spare copies are available on the noticeboard outside the office. The big question is... how will you theme your team and what will you wear to our *A Night with the Stars*? You could glam up for the red carpet in your best threads or maybe come as your favourite celebrity or character. Dressing up is optional and limited only by your imagination.

Have you added your name to the Bunnings BBQ roster outside the office? If you can't make it into school but would still love to volunteer please email wpss_pc_president@outlook.com with the times you are available. This is a great fundraising opportunity for our school and we need your help.

If the Disco is more your style we need volunteers to help sell food and drinks on 27 May. A great way to contribute while your kids are having fun.

Last Wednesday Night at our P&C meeting, it was decided to create a position dedicated to coordinating and selling our school uniforms. This new position will allow Marissa to concentrate on continuing to provide great service as our Tuckshop Convenor. A position will be advertised for a Uniform Shop Convenor.

ABSENCES



It has come to our attention that we have many unexplained absences of students from school. If your child is going to be absent, please call the **ABSENCE LINE : 3286-0660, with your name, your students name, their class and the reason for their absence.** Unexplained absences are reported on student report cards issued at the end of Term 2 and Term 4.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Invoices can be paid by either BPoint (preferable), online banking into the school bank account or at the admin office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Each invoice will have BPoint payment details in the bottom left hand corner, example shown below.



When paying via Bpoint, please ensure that you enter:

1. CRN no.
2. Invoice no.
3. Student Name as shown on inv.
4. Amount being paid

BANKING DETAILS FOR ONLINE BANKING

ACCOUNT : WELLINGTON POINT STATE SCHOOL

BSB : 064 138

ACCOUNT NO: 00090131

For online banking please include child's SURNAME & INITIAL and reason for payment in the reference.

- IF PAYING CASH, PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL MONEY IS SENT IN AN ENVELOPE AND CLEARLY MARKED WITH STUDENT'S NAME, CLASS & ACTIVITY.

- Voluntary Contribution - \$50.00 1st child, \$25 additional child,
- Music Levy - \$50.00
- Music Instrument Hire - \$100.00
- Band Fanfare - \$8.00
- Yr5 and Yr6 Sports Challenge - \$19.00
- Rugby League - \$13.00
- Yr1 Hands on Maths Incursion \$8.00

Please email soshe2@eq.edu.au to advise of direct deposit.