

**STUDENT ABSENCES – Telephone 3286 0660**

DIARY DATES		
<b>JUNE 2016</b>		
Thur	23	7.45am Senior Band
Fri	25	7.45am Senior Orchestra <b>LAST DAY OF TERM 2</b>
<b>JULY 2016</b>		
Mon	11	<b>TERM 3 BEGINS TODAY</b> 2.15pm Parade
Tues	12	7.50am Senior Choir
Wed	13	7.45am Junior Band 9.00am Student Banking

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Students, Parents and Staff,  
This will be our last newsletter for this term. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone for their ongoing support of our school during semester one. I trust you will all enjoy a relaxing and safe winter holiday.

**NAIDOC Week 2016**

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. This year, NAIDOC Week is celebrated from **3<sup>rd</sup> July until 10<sup>th</sup> July**.

The theme this year is "Songlines: The living narrative of our nation." As we will be on holidays during NAIDOC week, we have organised activities to be conducted during the last week of this term and week 1 of Term 3.

The Preps to Yr 3s have been involved in a colouring-in competition. The winners of this competition will be presented with a prize on our NAIDOC Week Parade.

Our NAIDOC Week Parade will be held on Monday the 11th of July at 2:15pm. We will commence with a Quandamooka Welcome Dance which will be performed by a selection of students from Yrs 4M, 3/4T, 4B and 1A. Mrs Kerry Chalmers will be speaking on our assembly about this year's NAIDOC Week theme and how it might relate to us all. Again, we sincerely thank Mrs Chalmers for her contribution.

During the first week of term 3, all year levels will also be involved in learning traditional games. These will be either in PE lessons with Cassy Stewart, or with Chelsie from the Redlands PCYC. I am sure all of the students will enjoy being involved in these activities.

Finally, thanks to Mrs Mathams and Mrs Arthur for organising the activities for our NAIDOC Week celebrations.

**School Opinion Survey 2016**

During the first week of Term 3, an information sheet will be sent home to all parents outlining procedures for parents to complete the School Opinion Survey online. Students in years 5 & 6 and staff members will also be asked to complete a Survey online. The survey offers the opportunity to gauge your opinion on different aspects of school life as it presents in our school. Later in the year we will receive a report outlining the results. These results will help us evaluate and reflect on how well the school is going and to identify areas for future development.

The online survey opens on Monday 11th July and closes on Friday 29th July 2016. I would like to thank parents in advance for taking the time to complete a survey.

**Staffing Update**

I wish to advise that one of our Year 3 teachers, Mrs Maree Clark is on leave for the last week of this term. I have contracted Mrs Jo Warner (Monday, Tuesday) and Mrs Una Watson (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday) to teach the class during this time.

Next term, our Literacy Specialist, Mrs Lyn Williams will be on leave for the first week. She will not be replaced during this time. One of our year 1 teachers, Mrs Allyson Green, will be on leave for 5 days during weeks 1 & 2 on next term. We have contracted Mrs Cathy Gillam to teach the class fulltime during this time.

Regards  
Marg Lane

**FROM HEAD OF CURRICULUM**

Last week, I wrote about the elements of resilience in our **You Can Do It!** Program. These elements are taught by helping students to understand their role in managing their own behaviour:

Happening → Thinking → Feeling → Behaviour

Students learn concepts including:

- Understanding common negative emotions, how they arise and relevant vocabulary
- Recognising how they feel in certain situations
- How emotions vary in intensity from strong to weak
- Knowing that moderate levels of negative emotions are healthy, and extreme levels of feeling anxious, down and angry is not healthy
- What it means to be resilient in the face of adversity
- Using positive, rational self-talk
- Using a variety of emotional resilience skills including self-monitoring, relaxation, talking things out and finding something fun to do
- Using the positive habits of mind taught throughout the program

Next term we will investigate the foundation of Getting Along and continue our work on Resilience.

Regards  
Simone Coogan

**LOTE AWARD**

Congratulations Cienna M of 6D who is the LOTE (Language Other Than English) – Japanese Award winner this week.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

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

<b>PK</b>	Xavier	<b>3J</b>	Max B
<b>PO</b>	Ben C	<b>3W</b>	Mia P
<b>PP</b>	Ryley P	<b>3/4T</b>	Morgan
<b>1A</b>	tba	<b>4B</b>	Nikita S
<b>1D</b>	Aaron	<b>4M</b>	Max C
<b>1G</b>	William S	<b>5F</b>	Emma C
<b>1/2J</b>	Stephen B	<b>5W</b>	Emily E
<b>2B</b>	Abbey H	<b>5B</b>	Skylar N
<b>2G</b>	Isabella G	<b>6C</b>	B-Jay
<b>2S</b>	Jack	<b>6D</b>	Ricky
<b>3C</b>	Cooper K	<b>6R</b>	Jed



**CLASS OF THE WEEK PREP P**  
For GREAT READING!



**WELLO CHAMPS**

Congratulations to Levi W from 1/2J and Isaiah P from 3W who were this week's Wello Champs!



**CLASS OF THE TERM 2S**  
For GREAT TEAMWORK AND GREAT READING!



**LIBRARY NEWS**

This week I have published the titles of the books that were shortlisted by the Children's Book Council of Australia in the category of **Picture Book of the Year**. These include -

- Ride, Ricardo, Ride! – Phil Cummings & Shane Devries
- My Dead Bunny – James Foley & Sigi Cohen
- Flight – Armin Greder & Nadia Wheatley
- One Step at a Time – Sally Heinrich & Jane Jolly
- Suri's Wall – Matt Ottley & Lucy Estela
- And the Band Played Waltzing Matilda – Bruce Whatley & Eric Bogle

These books are intended for an audience ranging from birth to adult. Picture books are chosen because of the extent to which the picture helps to tell the story to the reader. A few of these titles embrace subjects like the effects of war on children and families, people around the world living with landmines and the plight of refugees. Not easy topics to discuss with children, but beautifully represented by these authors and illustrators. If you or your child would like to read any of the titles, please come and see us in the library after the holidays.

We are allowing the students to borrow over the holidays so please help us by making sure our beautiful books are cared for and returned first week back. If you want to go on an adventure these holidays: read a book.

**SPORTS**

The school entered three teams in the Met East Soccer Cup. The senior boys played well but lost in their knockout game. The senior girls played a magnificent game against Redland Bay winning 3-0 and will now go on to play Guardian Angels, Wynnum in the Bayside final. The junior boys played an excellent game against St Anthony's winning 3-0. They now progress to play Birkdale South in the next knockout round. Thanks to the parents for supporting the students. Mr Davey and Mr Bottomer are looking forward to some excellent Wellington Point sportsmanship in the next round.

**MUSIC NEWS**

The choirs have been working hard this term. It is a big commitment for students to give up time before school and during lunch time. It is appreciated the amount of work they put in and the positive attitude that they come to rehearsal with. It is a joy to see students grow in skills and confidence each week.

We are still looking for a few new members, particularly for Junior Choir. Please encourage your year three or four student to come and try choir on a Thursday first break.

Senior Choir has a performance in week five (Wednesday, 10 August) for Under Eights Week. We will be going 'on tour' to a local child care centre to perform a musical play. We are also hoping to have a parade performance early next term for both choirs.

Choir rehearsals for both choirs will begin straight after the holidays.

**KITCHEN/GARDEN NEWS**

What a great term we have had in the Kitchen Garden program. The cool and wet winter weather has done wonders in the garden with all crops growing like crazy. Over the school holidays the weeds will also be taking advantage of the growing conditions so when term 3 returns we will be waging war on them and making more weed tea fertiliser. In the kitchen our 'Junior Wello Point Masterchefs' have been learning a range of skills and also stretching their tastebuds by trying new and exciting foods. When term 3 begins we will be continuing our international journey, discovering cuisines from every corner of the globe. We would like to thank our wonderful team of volunteers who help us provide the program and also congratulate our students on their enthusiasm this semester.

**P & C NEWS**

There are so many ways to help at school and make a positive contribution to your children's education. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have helped this term, whether in the class, tuckshop or at a fundraising event. Your children really appreciate the time you give and so do we. Enjoy the break. We look forward to seeing you all next term.

**TUCKSHOP/UNIFORM SHOP**

**Happy Holidays are Here** - Hope you all have a happy and safe holiday. Thank you so much to all those beautiful volunteers who have helped out at the tuckshop and the school this term. Your valued time REALLY does make a difference.

The winter menu will start in week. Look out for it in the school bags this week. **GO QUEENSLAND!!!**

**FINANCIAL NEWS**

Next term invoices will be sent out for excursions/incursions and school sports activities where payment is required. Invoices will be emailed to parents who have a current email address on file.

Each invoice will have BPOINT (similar to BPAY) 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

**THIS IS THE PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT OR YOU CAN USE ONLINE BANKING:**

**BANKING DETAILS FOR ONLINE BANKING**

ACCOUNT : WELLINGTON POINT STATE SCHOOL  
BSB : 064 138  
ACCOUNT NO: 00090131

Include child's SURNAME & INITIAL and reason for payment as reference and email soshe2@eq.edu.au to advise of payment.

**Keep a Watch on our School these holidays!**  
With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number **13 17 88**  
**Let's work together to help create a safer school community.**