



15 February 2017

NEWSLETTER NUMBER 4

STUDENT ABSENCES – TELEPHONE 3286 0660		
DIARY DATES		
FEBRUARY 2017		
Thur	16	
Friday	17	7.50am Senior Choir
Mon	20	7.50am Before school fitness training 1pm Beginner Strings (bring lunch with you)
Tues	21	7.45am Senior Strings rehearsal 1pm Intermediate Strings (bring lunch)
Wed	22	9am Student Banking 7pm P&C Meeting & AGM - Hall

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Students, Parents and Staff,

Year 6 Leadership Camp Success

Last week our year 6 students and their teachers travelled to Tallebudgera Beach School for a five day leadership camp. On Monday I met with our school captains who gave me a thorough account of their experiences on camp. During the week, they enjoyed lots of interesting activities including tobogganing, high ropes, body boarding, canoeing and walking to the top of Mount Burleigh.

When I asked them to share some reflections about their camp experience I was impressed with their responses. These included, 'Everyone learnt something about themselves. You had to face your fears and persist. You had to learn to be organised and prepared for the day. It encouraged you to be independent. It was a challenge to be clean and neat.' I thought most parents would agree with the last statement! All the student leaders agreed it was an extremely successful camp. Many thanks to the Year 6 teachers and support staff for making this a great experience for our students.

Bayside District Swimming Trial

On Thursday 16th February, four students from our school have qualified to compete at the trial. Congratulations and good luck to Caitlyn H, Jessica H, Chelsea J and Poko T. I know they will do themselves and our school proud!

Student Council

This year we will again be operating a Student Council at our school. This will offer our students an opportunity to contribute to the operation of our school. Over the coming weeks, our teacher co-ordinating the Student Council, Mrs Elaina Cramb, will be assisting teachers in years 3-6 elect their class representatives for the Student Council. I look forward to working with our new Student Council.

P&C Association - Annual General Meeting

On Wednesday 22nd February the P&C Association will be holding its Annual General Meeting, followed by the monthly meeting, commencing at 7 pm in the meeting room in the hall.

At the Annual General Meeting, the new P&C executive committee will be elected to positions for the coming year. Nomination forms for positions will be available from the office. Parents are invited to attend both meetings. In my Principal's report, at the general meeting, I will be sharing priorities imbedded in our new Strategic Plan 2017-2020.

Staffing Update

I wish to advise that next week, commencing Monday 20th February, I will be taking 5 days leave. Whilst I am on leave, our Deputy Principal, Mr Ross Gillespie will be Acting Principal. As a result of this staffing change, our Head of Curriculum, Mrs Stacey Kelleher will be Acting Deputy Principal and our Literacy Specialist, Mrs Lyn Williams, will undertake the Head of Curriculum role.

Regards
Marg Lane

*You Are The Key To
Your Success
"YOU CAN DO IT!"*



HEAD OF CURRICULUM

For the first few weeks of this term teachers will continue to introduce the basics of the *You Can Do It Program*. One of the goals of the initial *Ready, Set, You Can Do It* sessions is to develop student understanding of the importance of 'good character' in leading to success, well-being and positive relationships. As part of these lessons our students will continue to learn about the nine values that support 'good character'. These values are: Care and Compassion, Doing Your Best, Fair Go, Freedom, Honesty, Trustworthiness, Integrity, Respect, Responsibility and Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion. Students are provided with activities and discussion to enable them to develop a concept of what it means to have 'good character'.

This week's focus is **RESPECT FOR OTHERS**. Lower school students will be learning to describe in their own words what it means to respect others and how to practise this value in the classroom and playground. Our middle school students will be able to recognise examples and non-examples of their behaviour that reflect the value of respecting others. While our upper school students will be describing how this value influences the way they act in the classroom and playground, identify if this is a value they need to strengthen and ways to do this.

Students learn that treating people with respect makes our world a nicer place to live in, whether it's at home, at school, or out in the community and it's easy - all you have to do is treat people the way you like to have them treat you. Some ideas to discuss with your children are:

- Speak to others with kindness.
- Listen to others when they speak.
- Value other people's opinions.
- Be considerate of people's likes and dislikes.
- Don't mock or tease people.
- Don't talk about people behind their backs.
- Be sensitive to other people's feelings.
- Don't pressure someone to do something he or she doesn't want to do.



We live in a diverse nation made up of many different cultures, languages, races, and backgrounds. That kind of variety can make all our lives a lot more fun and interesting, but only if we get along with each other. And to do that we have to respect each other.

As always this program is most effective when parents are also reinforcing this value at home. Take the time to discuss with your children what respecting others means to you, what it looks like in action in your home, at sporting events, out and about in shopping centres etc. Discuss how respect is shown through the way we talk and listen to others, behave around others and treat others. This includes valuing other people's points of view and appreciating each person's individuality, even though it may be different from our own.

Remember we are partners in this important process. School-home collaboration is a key for promoting student achievement and social-emotional-behavioural well-being.



Yours in learning,
Stacey Kelleher



CLASS OF THE WEEK 5B



Congratulations to Thea Bloor from 4M who is the LOTE (Language Other Than English) – Japanese Award winner this week.

WELLO CHAMPS

Congratulations to Anica from 1D and Ella from 4E who were this week's Wello Champs!



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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

PK	Charlie	3J	Ara A
PO	Archie G	3W	Josh C
PP	Nick R	3/4T	Olivia H
P/1G	Olivia K	4E	Ryan
1B	Kyra	4M	Thea B
1D	Rani	4/5F	Ella R
1/2F	Madeleine F	5B	Emily B
2B	Jasper	5W	Zachary W
2G	Braith	6C	Eve S
2S	Skye	6D	Dylan S
3S	Kiarna F	6M	Emily G

MUSIC NEWS

Missing Owner

A half size violin in a full size black case with silvery grey felt lining was left in the year 5 and 6 building all year and over the holidays into 2017. We are wondering who owns this instrument. It appears to belong to a band

student who plays clarinet as well as there was clarinet music inside it. Please email Ms Davie if you believe it is yours. ndavi37@eq.edu.au

STRINGS STUDENTS

Emails and Contact Lists

Dear Parents, Ms Davie sent an email out on the 7th February to all strings parents with the finalised timetable (as there have been multiple necessary changes). *If you did not receive an email please notify Ms Davie* on ndavi37@eq.edu.au with your child's full name, class and your name, email and contact numbers so that she can update it.

Master Classes for Beginner Strings

The booking sheet is at the office. These are offered during week 4, 5 and 6. This is to give parents a chance to learn how to assist with basics in learning the violin for their child. A parent may either sit in during ensemble Mondays at 1pm OR their child's half hour lesson (you may wish to check with admin on their current time during class) OR attend with their child at 3pm on Mondays (this time is particularly good because it means your child gets extra time compared to the other kids).

Music Books and Accessories and Instruments to Buy

Books - please email Ms Davie if you have misplaced the lists. Please note if Binary Music is out of stock, try phoning Music Express and getting them to post you the books.

Accessories - please remember to buy a black soft folder with clear plastic slips in it, a pencil, a rubber, a sharpener, rosin and a flannel cloth.

Violins - If you still have not bought a violin and may need assistance re school hire OR in knowledge on what to buy please contact Ms Davie on ndavi37@eq.edu.au

PLEASE DO NOT BUY A VIOLIN BRAND NEW FROM THE INTERNET - ONLY INSTRUMENTS THAT COME FROM REPUTABLE STORES IN BRISBANE PLEASE. You were sent a list of accessories with stores to buy from last year.

SPORTS NEWS

Byside District Rugby League Selection Trials

Students who play Rugby League in club competition and have a high level of skill and game knowledge are eligible for selection to attend District trials. Under 11's Born 2006, 2007 Under 12's - Born 2005 Please contact Mrs Stewart with details.

MAKE THE RIGHT CALL.....JOIN POWER PLAY !

EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL FROM 3pm-5.30pm

Wellington Point State School's very own "Adopt-A-Cop", Constable Corey Dean and his sporty assistant, ex Wello High student, Tamika, are there to ensure you have heaps of fun, make friends, play hard and learn the qualities of team play and good sportspersonship. Learn different sports such as Basketball, Baseball, Dodgeball, Indoor Hockey, Volleyball, Frizbee -Golf, Scooter- Hockey, Badminton and much more.... COST – for a 10 Week Term Program - \$ 145. Join up any time!

P & C NEWS

AGM - 22 February

Come along to our AGM and first general meeting of the year and bring your P&C membership application. We'd love you to join us. Have you considered how you might support our school community this year? Taking on a pivotal role in our P&C is a great way to lead change at our school so why not consider a position as President, Treasurer, Vice President or Secretary.

See you at 7pm at the hall. If you can't make the meeting but you would like to be a member please fill out the application form and return it to school.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Invoices are now being sent out via email for excursions/incursions and school sports activities where payment is required. Please ensure the parent/carer email address is kept up to date to enable this process to occur.

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

If paying via Internet banking to the school bank account allow two business days for payments to be processed.

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