



Mount Warren Park State School Newsletter No. 08 Thursday 12 May 2016

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From the Principal

Naplan Congratulations

All of our Year 3 and 5 students sat the NAPLAN tests this week. The tests covered Literacy and Numeracy. The school will get reports for each child to send home later in the year.

Our students are to be heartily congratulated for remaining cool, calm and collected and applying themselves to do their very best. Testing can be stressful for some children, but our Mt Warren Park SS students were OUSTANDING!!

This is of course due to the calming presence of our dedicated staff and the parents who maintain that it's not the end of the world.

In fact, there was a fabulous letter that has gone viral, and I'd like to share some of it here because it's so true!

Dear Students in Year 3 and 5,

This week is NAPLAN. For some of you this will be the first time. There is something very important you should all know about NAPLAN.

The people who score the tests don't know that some of you love to sing, are good at drawing, speak another language, or can solve problems on the computer.

They have not seen you stand up in front of your class and speak confidently to a large group to proudly share your learning. They don't know that you're a great friend who others can count on to be there when they feel sad or need support with their learning.

They can't tell that you have a positive mindset and don't give up when learning gets hard and you get stuck. They don't know that you are caring, thoughtful and every day you put in your best efforts because of all these great qualities that can't be tested.

The scores you get from these tests will tell you, and your parents and teachers, how you did on those days, but they don't tell us everything. They give us useful information so we are better able to design learning that meets your needs. They can't tell us how you brighten up your teacher's day when you persist and are kind to others.

We know that some of you may get stuck, but don't worry and don't give up, and remember there is no one way to 'test' all the wonderful things that make you 'You!'

Principal Role For 2016

I have been asked by the Assistant Regional Director, Mar Margaret Gurney, to stay for the entire 2016 school year to ensure stability for our Mt Warren Park SS community. I have accepted gladly.

The permanent position will be advertised during Term 4 this year with the permanent principal starting at the beginning of the 2017 school year. If you have any questions please drop by and see me.

Great Reading Tips For Parents

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=korfvEQb14>

It is only 5 and a half minutes long and models these key tips for parents to understand when reading with your child:

1. Sit side-by-side with your child.
2. Don't 'tell' the words.
3. Move beyond 'sound it out'.
4. Have your child re-read some passages for fluency.
5. Allow some mistakes to go uncorrected.
6. Allow the same book multiple times.
7. Keep reading to your child.

Improvement Priority – Reading

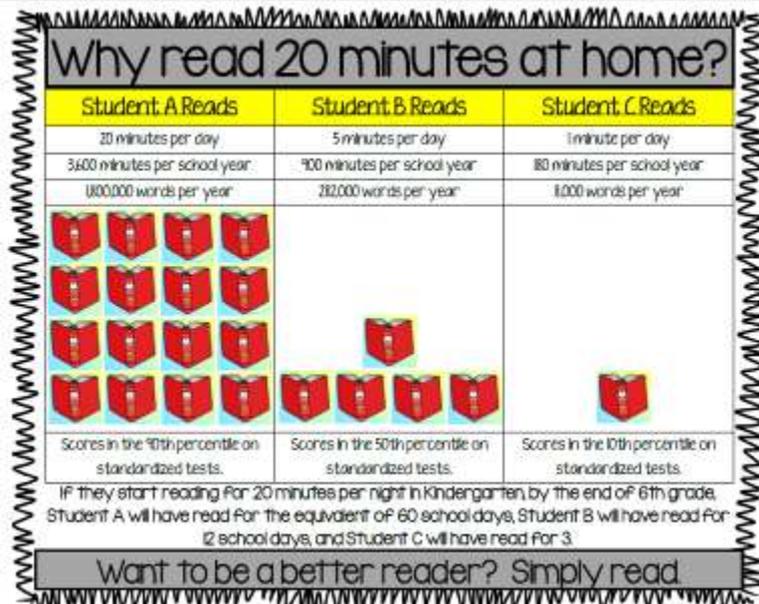
Reading is our most important improvement priority this year. I just want to share with parents the difference reading makes in the lives of our children. The following graphic shows the difference between 3 students: Student A, Student B and Student C.

You can see that reading for 20 minutes per day makes a HUGE difference to the life opportunities for our kids. So grab a book from the library (school or council library) and read with your children or have them read to you.

20 minutes a day will make the world of difference!! Where do you want your child/ren to be?

Staffing

The following teachers will be taking leave during Term 2 and the start of Term 3:
 Eliza Taylor PA = Mrs Susanna Buckley from Monday 13 June to Friday 15 July
 Amanda Tu 4A = Mr James Scanlan until Friday 24 June.
 Sean Browne 4B = Mrs Charmaine Brits until Friday 24 June.
 Bernie McKinnon 4C = Ms Melanie Landers from Monday 16 May to Monday 30 May.
 Katrina Itong 6A = Mr Gurvinder Jatana from Friday 20 May to Friday 24 June.
 Daniella Trifa Music = Ms Katherine Hope from Monday 16 May to Friday 10 June.
 Corryn Smith 3A = Mrs Amanda Rachow from Monday 11 July to Friday 29 July.



Improvement Priority – Attendance

This week we have sent out some more letters where we have unexplained absences. If you have received one of these letters, please contact the school to let us know the reasons your child/ren have been absent and we can update our records.

Attendance every single day is vitally important for your child's future opportunities.

Individual Attendance Rate		Did you know?
Students attending 85% of the time will miss approximately 3 days for every 4 weeks of school.		
At 85% Attendance	5 school days = 1 school week 20 school days = 4 school weeks 4 school weeks = 1 school month	
WEEK	0.75 school days or almost 1 day/week	
MONTH	3 school days per school month	
SEMESTER	15 school days or 3 school weeks per semester	
YEAR	30 school days or 1 1/2 school months per year	
By the END of Year 7	240 school days or 1 school year, 2 school months	
By the END of YEAR 10	330 school days or 1 school year, 7 1/2 school months	
By the END of YEAR 12	390 school days or almost 2 school years (after 13 years of schooling)	

Qschools App Details

Please encourage all parents to sign up to our school and request the Push Notifications – this will mean they are instantly notified about things happening at school. See info sheet accompanying this newsletter.

Student Behaviour While Travelling On Public Transport

A significant number of our Mt Warren Park SS students travel on buses to attend school. All students have the right to a safe and enjoyable journey, and their safety is our number one priority.

Parents and carers play an important role in teaching children about appropriate behaviour when travelling on public transport.

While most students are well-behaved when travelling by public transport, a few misbehaving students can make it an unpleasant journey for all commuters.

With almost a third of all Queensland students travelling to school by bus, the Department of Transport and Main Roads has developed a Code of Conduct for students travelling by bus.

The *Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses* sets out the rights, roles and responsibilities of students, parents and carers and bus drivers to ensure a safe and enjoyable trip to and from school.

To keep our students happy and safe, parents and carers are encouraged to discuss expected student behaviour with their children, including:

- showing respect for other passengers and their property
- waiting for the bus in an orderly manner
- behaving appropriately at all times while on the bus
- using only designated bus stops
- behaving safely and using caution when getting on or off the bus
- following directions of the driver in case of an emergency or a breakdown

The Code was developed in consultation with the Department of Education and Training, police, bus operators and parent groups. For more information and to download a copy of the code visit the Department of Transport and Main Roads website at

www.transport.qld.gov.au/Home/Assistance_and_services/School_transport/Code_of_conduct/

- **Students' role** - To be a safe and responsible passenger
- **Students' rights** - To be safe. To be respected and treated fairly.
- **Students' responsibilities** - To act safely and responsibly by: following driver instructions / following the bus rules and the Code / respecting self and others / respecting own property and the property of others / communicating respectfully with others / accepting consequences for bus misconduct.
- **Students' expected behaviours** - Hail the bus and wait in an orderly manner. Respect other people and their property. Behave in a way that ensures a safe bus journey for all passengers by:
Following bus rules / staying in the right place / behaving in a calm, non-aggressive way / keeping hands and feet to self / speaking politely / storing all objects safely. Get off the bus in an orderly manner. Follow the driver's safety instructions.
- **Parents' and carers' roles** - To actively support bus safety with their school aged children.
- **Parents' and carers' rights** - Safe and comfortable travel for their children. To be respected and treated fairly. To be consulted and to receive accurate information about the bus behaviour of their children.
- **Parents' and carers' responsibilities** - To ensure that their children are capable of travelling independently on the bus. To ensure their children have an understanding of the Code and the bus rules. To communicate respectfully with the operator, school and transport staff. To teach their children about bus safety and consequences for misconduct. To demonstrate appropriate bus travel behaviours to their children. To co-operate with the school and bus operator in managing bus misconduct. To ensure the safe travel of their children to and from the bus stop. To be available for discussions about the behaviour of their children.

Domestic And Family Violence Prevention Month

The first day of May marks the beginning of Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month and provides an important opportunity for all state schools and workplaces across the department to raise awareness of domestic and family violence with employees, students and school communities.

The Department of Education and Training (DET) has a lead role in helping to prevent domestic and family violence. A video outlining our response to the *Not Now, Not Ever* Special Taskforce Report can be seen on the [DET YouTube](#) page.

This year's theme for Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month is *Not Now, Not Ever*. The Queensland Government is challenging all individuals and organisations to put in place local initiatives to prevent domestic and family violence.

I urge schools and DET workplaces to raise awareness of domestic and family violence by promoting the Queensland Government's *Not Now, Not Ever* campaign through newsletter articles, information sessions or awareness raising events.

Schools are encouraged to use and promote the department's newly developed Respectful relationships education program. This important P-12 resource can be found on the [Learning Place](#).

The Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services would also like to hear about the positive initiatives schools, workplaces and others are taking to stop domestic and family violence. Pending student and parent consent, stories can be contributed via the *Not Now, Not Ever Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month campaign* page.

Remember — domestic and family violence is never acceptable, and we all have a responsibility to act.

Many parents have recently shared with me their concerns about the future of our Early Childhood Development Programs (ECDPs) during the transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

[School Name] has a long history of supporting children with disability through early intervention and we are awaiting further information from the federal agency responsible for delivering the NDIS, the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), on what kind of support will be available under the new scheme.

The Minister for Education Kate Jones has been meeting with and listening to parents, principals and school staff who have all expressed concerns about the transition. Like us, she is concerned that the NDIA has not provided information to principals, school staff and parents who rely on ECDPs.

An urgent teleconference with Queensland's school principals on Friday 15 April was held by the Minister so she could directly hear our views and answer questions. We explained to the Minister that the lack of information is causing distress and anxiety for families and staff.

Following the teleconference, the Minister wrote to the Federal Minister responsible for disability services, Christian Porter, calling on him to immediately act and start providing information directly to Queensland families.

The Minister called on Minister Porter to guarantee that children will receive the same, if not more support under the NDIS – as promised.

Along with Minister Jones, we all want the transition to be as smooth as possible.

The Minister wants to ensure every child receives the same level of care and support, or better, than they do now.

Minister Jones has committed to keeping ECDPs open until 2020 or until all children in ECDPs have transitioned to high quality schools or to other early intervention providers.

In 2020 we will be in a position to make a decision about the long-term requirement for ECDPs as we will know if the transition has worked and every family is supported.

During this four-year transition, ECDPs will continue to take new enrolments and operate as they are now until we know that the NDIS is able to meet the early intervention needs of Queensland children.

The Minister assured us she will continue to listen to parents, principals and staff and will advocate on our behalf to ensure we receive the information we need from the Commonwealth Government and the NDIA.

At <insert name of school> we take our responsibility to maintain the health and safety of our students and staff very seriously. This responsibility includes issues related to online choices and behaviours.

Participating in the online environment can be a positive experience, but there are also a broad range of concerns that may need to be considered, including online privacy and information protection, online etiquette, digital citizenship and knowing how to get help to deal with online issues.

As you may be aware, comments posted online about people and organisations may impact permanently on their digital reputation. This includes teachers, other staff, students and the school. There can be very real negative consequences from online posts – relationships between school staff, students and parents can be permanently damaged.

Facebook and other social networking sites are generally not private communities and, depending on an individual's privacy and security settings, comments may be read by many people and remain online indefinitely.

If you or your child are posting information online about the school, staff or students, I ask that you consider the ramifications of these comments on the school and any individuals in the school community. As a rule of thumb:

- Public discussion is most effective when it is conducted in a polite and respectful manner;
- Before posting, it is important to consider whether those people you are posting about want information, including photos and comments regarding them and their children, posted on Facebook or on other sites. Perhaps ask the people involved in the post for permission before you publish something or tag someone online;
- Rather than airing complaints or grievances in a public forum like Facebook, come and talk to the school first about how to resolve your concerns;
- Remember that as a parent you have a responsibility to supervise and regulate your own children's online activities at home and their impact on the reputation and privacy of others.

For further information on managing cybersafety, please go to <http://behaviour.education.qld.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/cybersafety/social-media-and-community-online.pdf>. If you have any concerns and would like to discuss further I invite you to make an appointment with me.

From the Deputy Principals

What a very busy few weeks we are having a Mt Warren Park. With Naplan and Sports Days scheduled the school is a buzz with activities. Also a special date claimer for our Under 8's Day on Friday 27th May. Families of our Prep to Year 2 children are welcome to come and participate in the supervised carnival activities that will be on offered on this day.

Safety

Whilst travelling around the school I have notice a large number of students who are forgetting our out of bounds areas. Safety is one of 3 school expectations and being in these areas is not being safe. Please have a chat with your little one and remind them to follow the school expectations and to stay in bounds whilst playing during lunch breaks. Classroom teachers will be revisiting these areas during their day and so all students will be reminded. You help is appreciated.

Morning Rules

Please assist us by reminding your children of the importance of following our school's morning rules: Children are to sit and wait quietly in the tuckshop covered area before 8:25 a.m. when the Deputy Principals take them to the hall. Supervision is provided in the hall until the first bell, where children will be dismissed and must be in classrooms on the second bell. Children are not to wait outside classrooms unless they are directly supervised by their parent or caregiver!

Toys at school!!!!!!

Please know that if your child brings toys to school to play with they are to stay in their bags until playtimes. Toys create huge distractions for children who are trying to learn. Please reinforce the school expectation and understand that it is not the school's responsibility to manage toys that are lost, stolen or broken.



Learning is Everyone's Responsibility

Being a learner is the single most consistent role we play for our life. Just this week I heard a Dad explaining to his son that even at his age he is learning every day. This is and has always been my number one motivation. I love to learn. This week I have learnt that when you look for the positive in people they usually demonstrate it. I like to encourage students to be focused on a solution and not on the problem. We all have problems but until we change our mindset to fixing our problems we don't tend to see anything differently. If we continue to do the same things over and over again we can't expect the outcome to be any different. Einstein said something like this and we all know he was a unique thinker who always looked for a solution. Being positive in your thinking allows for more open ideas and better opportunities to learn from each situation. Students are asked each day to think different ways, Mathematically, creatively, analytically as role models in their lives we need to encourage them to challenge themselves and focus on a solution when they encounter problems. If they struggle that's okay, we all need to feel the tension of a problem to know we need to fix it.

I am so looking forward to spending more time in your student's classrooms and getting to know this fantastic school community. Please if you see in the school come say hi.

Parade Presentations

Our school parades are always a great presentation and the following classes will help make parade even better by performing throughout this term. Make sure you note the day of your child's class presentation.

Term 2 2016:

WEEK	DATE	CLASS	WEEK	DATE	CLASS
6	16 May	6B	9	6 June	1A
7	23 May	5A	10	13 June	2B
8	30 May	4D	11	20 June	2/3A

General School News



Cash Collection Procedures – Cash Window

The Cash Window is located in the Admin Block. We offer several methods of payment being cash, cheque, EFTPOS, B-Point and Internet Banking. The cash window will be **OPEN every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8am to 10am.**

Late Payments - It is a solid requirement that all events be paid for by the due date which is stated on all permission / information notes sent home to parents.

Late payments cannot be accepted under any circumstances so please keep updated by checking our newsletter each fortnight.

Refunds - Refunds can only be given in part. This means if there is bus travel involved for the event this is **NOT** refundable. Whether your child attends or not the buses have been booked and need to be paid for. You must complete a "Refund Request" Form available from Administration.

Payment Due Dates - Every fortnight payment reminders are printed in the "General News" and "Dates To Remember" sections of the school newsletter (this is also available on our website).



Year 5 = Brisbane Planetarium excursion on Friday 20 May. Full payment of \$17 was due today.

Year 4 = Wildlife on Wheels from Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary visit to school on Friday 17 June. Full payment of \$10 is due by Thursday 9 June. Invoices and permission notes will be sent home this week.

Under 8's Day

Our special activities morning to celebrate Under 8's this year will be held on Friday 27 May as an end of semester celebration. Teachers are busy getting everything organised and ready for this special event! Our C&K friends will also join in on the festivities and parents are welcome to join in the fun with the students from 9am – 10:50am. Our Chaplain will run a coffee shop for parents and visitors on the day. See you there!

Under 8's Day Badge Competition Prep to Year 2

Our annual badge making competition is again underway with notes sent home to all children in Prep to Year 2. If your child would like to submit a design you can purchase a template from the office for \$2. The completed entry must be returned

by 3pm on Thursday 19 May. A winner will be announced from each year level on parade on Monday 23 May.

Mt Warren Park State School C & K – ENROL NOW!!!

All children born between 1 June 2012 and 30 July 2013 you child is eligible to enrol in our C & K for 2017. Sessions are run from 8:20am - 2:30pm and children attend for a 5 day fortnight. Our website is candk.asn.au. For more information regarding enrolment contact the centre on 3801 8331.



KOALA JOEYS FAMILY PROGRAM

FROM BUMP TO BIG SCHOOL

Mt Warren Park State School is very excited to introduce Koala Joeys into our school. It is a specifically created program for young children and their parents/carers. The program focuses on using nursery rhymes, songs, dance, movement and stories to engage young children. Koala Joeys is designed for young children up to the age they enter school. It is a free, fun and interactive program.

Koala Joeys will run from 9.15 am on Tuesday mornings in the hall (starting 17 May). Our Master Teacher, Ms Julie Hughes will facilitate this program. The program runs for approximately 45 minutes followed by morning tea. Please bring a cushion to sit on and a snack for you and your child. If you are interested in coming along to Koala Joeys, please see the ladies in the office for a Registration Form. Looking forward to seeing you there. I can't wait! Please bring along a cushion to sit on and a snack for you and your child.



The Premier's Reading Challenge is an annual state wide initiative for state and non-state schools and home-educated students up to Year 9 as well as children (aged up to five years) enrolled in an early childhood centre or as an individual home reader.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is not a competition but a way to encourage students to develop a love of reading for life. Through the challenge children and students are given an opportunity to develop their appreciation of the English language and are encouraged to explore and enjoy a wide range of literary texts. Children and students can participate in the challenge within their school, early childhood centre or as individual readers (home-educated students, students whose schools are not participating in the program or children who are not enrolled in an early childhood centre).

Children and students who complete the challenge have their efforts recognised through the receipt of a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier of Queensland.

As reading is a priority at our school, we have registered for this event. Students may use their home reading books for this challenge. Students will receive a Reading Record Form and after each book is read, they write the book title and give the book a rating. Please contact your child's teacher for details.

iCentre News

Book Club

Thank you for your generous support of Book Club again this year. It is so rewarding to have the pleasure of delivering the books to your children and seeing their happy faces when Book Club arrives. The final Book Club for this term - Issue 4 - will be sent home later this month.

Student/Staff Reviews

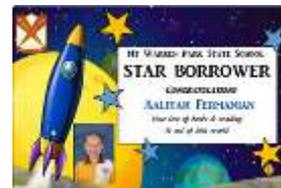
With the launch of "Orbit" our new Library Program this year, we have been able to ask students and teachers to contribute book reviews to feature on the home page each week.

Thank you to the following student reviewers...

Armina Rowland, Harmony Scott & Lilly Collins, who have been featured reviewers and also **Emma Buchanan & Mitchell Luppi** who will be featured in the weeks to come. We have also been lucky to share Book Reviews by Mrs Sylvester, Mrs McKinnon & Miss Trifa. Thanks also to Mrs Howland who will be next week's Staff Reviewer.

Star Borrowers - Congratulations also to...

Aaliyah Fermanian, Kurtis Morgan, Danniella Pickford & Rory Dominko who have received our prestigious Star Borrower Award. This award is given each week to a student who has displayed an outstanding borrowing record and loves to read.



To check out our Orbit Home Page, go to:

<http://mtwarrenss.softinkhosting.com.au/oliver/junior.do>

Kind regards, *Robyn Bowser, Teacher Librarian/ICT Co-ordinator*

PE News

Mt Warren Park State School Sports Day

This week a Senior and Junior Sports Day information brochure will be sent home with students. Please look out for this brochure it should answer any of your Sports Day questions. These brochures include a detailed program of events.

When is the Senior Athletics Carnival - Year 3 to 6?

Wednesday 18th May - Field Events and Thursday 19th May – Track Events

When is Junior Sports Day - Prep to year 2?

Friday 20th May (concludes 1.00pm)

What should students wear?

- School shorts/culottes (brown)
- Suitable shoes for physical activity
- Hat (**clearly named**) and sunscreen (essential)
- T-shirt in their House Colour (available from the Uniform Shop)

What should students bring?

- Water bottle (named)
- Students are invited to bring along streamers/shakers in their team colours.
- Morning Tea and Lunch as usual.

Is the Tuckshop available at Senior Sports Day?

DAY 1 and 2: The tuckshop will operate as per a normal school day, ie: ordering via the basket system.

Day 2: In addition there will also be a BBQ operating on the oval for spectators and students (during lunch breaks) to purchase a sausage sizzle and drinks on Thursday 19 May.

Is the Tuckshop available on Junior Sports Day?

The tuckshop will operate as per a normal school day, ie: ordering via the basket system. In addition to this there will be a BBQ operating on the oval for spectators and students (during lunch breaks) to purchase a sausage sizzle and drinks.

Pacific Rim District Softball Selection

Mt Warren Park State School have been successful in having a large number of our students selected in the Pacific Rim District Softball Team. Congratulations must go to Mania Clark, Nikeesha Bester, Daysia Edmunds, Naomi Jeudon, Jessica Stewart, Naia Tapsell, Alicia Hale, Taylah Perry, Katana Peaufa and Alyah Ball. Mt Warren Park wishes all girls every success when they compete at the Regional Softball Carnival on the 14th June.

Nrl Development Cup



Congratulations must go to the Mt Warren Park State School Senior Rugby League Team on finishing first in the Beenleigh Zone U/12's League Competition. Due to finishing first Mt Warren Park State School will now progress through to the NRL Development Cup State Wide U/12's Competition. Our team will play a number games in Term 3 to determine the South Coast NRL Development Cup Champions. Due to our success in the Beenleigh Zone Competition we have also qualified for the Brisbane Primary Schools Metropolitan Cup, which will also be played in Term 3. Good luck to the 12 years Rugby League Team. We know you will do Mt Warren Park State School proud.

Dates To Remember

Tuesday 10 May	NAPLAN Testing
Wednesday 11 May	P & C Meeting 6:30pm, Staffroom
	NAPLAN Testing Year 3 & 5
Thursday 12 May	NAPLAN Testing Year 3 & 5
	Year 5 Planetarium \$17 DUE TODAY
Wednesday 18 May	Year 3 to 6 Senior Sports Carnival Field
Thursday 19 May	Year 3 to 6 Senior Sports Carnival Track
	Under 8's Badge Design DUE TODAY
Friday 20 May	Year 5 Brisbane Planetarium Trip \$17
	Prep to Year 2 Sports Carnival
	Chaplaincy Benefit Dinner
Friday 27 May	Prep – Year 2 Under 8's Day
Wednesday 1 June	Prep 2017 Enrolment Packs available
Thursday 9 June	Year 4 Currumbin Wildlife Visit DUE \$10
Friday 17 June	Year 4 Currumbin Wildlife Visit \$10
	School Disco SEE P & C NEWS
Friday 24 June 2016	Final Day of Term 2
Monday 27 June to Friday 8 July Winter Vacation (2 weeks)	
Monday 11 July	Term 3 Commences
Thursday 25 August	SCHOOL PHOTOS

P & C News

Next Meeting

The next P & C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 June at 6:30pm in the Staffroom. Everyone is welcome to come along as we would love to see some new faces and welcome any new ideas.

Sports Days - On Thursday 19 May (Day 2 Senior Carnival) and Friday 20 May (Junior Carnival) the P & C will be holding a Sausage Sizzle near the oval for all spectators to enjoy. Drinks will also be for sale.

School Disco - The disco will be held on Friday 17 June. Prep to Year 2 = 4:45pm to 6pm and Year 3 to 6 = 6:15pm to 8pm. Look out for further information to come home soon.

Volunteers Needed - We are in need of volunteers to help out with the BBQ on both Sports Days and at the disco for supervision. Please leave your name and phone number at the office if you are able to assist in anyway.

Tuckshop News

EFTPOS - Payments can be made by Cash or EFTPOS - **A minimum purchase of \$10 must be made.** To guarantee your child gets exactly what they want we recommend that you order their lunch through the bag ordering system. Various items are available over the counter but we cannot guarantee hot food will be available unless it is ordered.

Uniform Shop News

Sport House T-Shirts \$10 - With our annual Athletics Days just around the corner now is a good time to buy your Sport House Shirt from the shop. Only \$10!
School / Sport Hats \$15 - Reversible bucket hat, brown one side and house colour the other. Get ready for Sports Day next week!

Open Hours - 8:00am – 9:00am Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and 2:15pm to 3:15pm every Wednesday afternoon. Payment can be made by cash or EFTPOS only, we CANNOT accept cheques.

Student Council News

ANZAC Day Support – Thanks!

Thank you for your support with the purchasing of ANZAC Day merchandise.

Athletics Days

With both the senior and junior athletics carnivals coming up next week student council will be running a face painting stall in the tuckshop undercover area before school on these days. Wednesday and Thursday will be for Grades 3 - 6 and Friday for Prep - 2. Support your house and come get your face painted before school on the day of your athletics carnival for 50c.

QSchools

mobile app

The QSchools app is a convenient way to share up-to-the-minute information with the school community.

The app is designed to integrate with Websites for Schools websites. When a school publishes content to their website, the app is automatically updated with the latest news, events and newsletters.

Emergency announcements and push notifications, such as information about natural disasters and school closures, can be published by the department.

All Queensland state schools are searchable via the app, however only schools who have upgraded their school website with Websites for Schools will benefit from all the features of the app.

Encourage your school community to download for free

via the Apple iTunes Store, Google Play and Windows Stores.

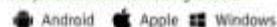


Parent and Community Engagement Framework alignment

The QSchools app is a useful tool for schools implementing the Parent and Community Engagement framework to facilitate:

- better communication with the school community
- community collaboration
- encourage participation in the school community.

Compatible with the following devices:



Benefits for parents, carers and families:

- access the latest school news, newsletters and calendar events
- receive emergency announcements and push notifications
- follow multiple schools
- search for the nearest school by current location, postcode, school name or suburb.

