Dear Parents

With Cross Country events and Anzac commemorations, it was a very full week to start Term 2. In last week’s newsletter, I said our students were involved in five Anzac ceremonies; it turned out to be six. What I am happy to report is that at each one of them, our students represented our school with pride. Their dress, their behaviour and their attitude were first class and I commend them for their efforts. Due to the school’s Anzac Ceremony on Friday, we did not have our normal parade, so I was unable to tell them the overall House winners of our Cross Country Shield. I can’t write the results here either because that will spoil the surprise on this Friday’s assembly. What I can do is list the winners of the upper school events, which were all hotly contested.

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House points will be published next week

Bramble Bay Cross Country
For those students who did well in our school cross country, the next step is the Bramble Bay event. That will take place on Friday morning at St Pauls School, Bald Hills. Our athletes will compete for places in the team to compete in the Metropolitan North Cross Country in early June. On Friday, our runners will find their work a bit harder as the 10 year old have to run 2kms, while the 11 and 12 year olds have to complete a full 3 km course. I wish them luck in this difficult endurance event.

Sports Trials
Sport seems to be a bit of a theme in this newsletter, so I’ll continue with it. In Term 2, our interschool sport for girls is netball and for boys it is Rugby League. The netball will be played on courts marked out on our own school oval, so the girls will not have to travel this season. The boys will be playing at Sandgate District State High School and will catch a bus to that venue. The dates of the rounds are as follows: 22 May, 5 June and 19 June in Term 2, followed by 7 August, 28 August and 11 September in Term 3. These are all Fridays. Students will play 12 games in total – 2 per week. These dates, of course, are subject to the weather and there are ‘catch up’ dates scheduled if needed. To select these teams, sports trials will take place in Weeks 3 and 4, on the 8th and 15th of May. Permission notes to travel will go home on these dates also.

Red Shield Appeal
On Tuesday morning, our school captains and I attended a breakfast at the Salvation Army Church at Taigum, to launch their ‘Red Shield’ Appeal for 2015. Half a dozen local schools attended and were educated about the services the Salvation Army provides for our community. All the schools present, committed to help raise funds in some way to help the Salvos. We intend to run a free dress day, later in the term, in conjunction with the State Of Origin, to support the appeal. I know that that is a few weeks away yet, but I just wanted to give plenty of warning so we might all give generously when the time comes.
School Photos
Our school photos will be taken tomorrow in the hall. It is always great to get photos of classes, especially for nostalgia purposes many years down the track. Although the photographers take great care, inevitably things can go wrong. If it turns out that this happens to you, can I suggest a direct call to Master School Portraits (on 3865 4291, as the school has no control over the process once they leave our grounds.

Mark Fisher
Principal

Students of the Week

Prep B - Ruby and Monica for welcoming your new class
Prep CD - Jaida for drawing an interesting picture about the Anzac Day ceremony
Year 1F - Eva for showing a great improvement in her writing. What a champ!
Year 1L - Damien for being a good listener at all times and always on task
Year 1N - Haleena for working hard in Literacy Groups
Year 2HM - Darzel for being a great mathematician
Year 2J - Hassan for a great start to Term 2
Year 3B - Ashlee for being the only class star of Week 1, Term 2
Year 3JM - Krystal for always being polite and attentive
Year 3M - Liam for excellent behaviour and excellent ideas in our Technology unit
Year 4G - Joshua for a terrific effort when working with 5 digit numbers
Year 4S - PJ for a fantastic start to Literacy groups in Term 2
Year 5C - Madison for active involvement in English lessons
Year 5WI - Gus for writing a persuasive text with good sentence starters and arguments to support his point of view
Year 5/6P - Ariet for always working hard and striving to do her best
Year 6S - Hayley for focusing on tasks and concentration

BOOK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards for their bookwork on Friday 24th April 2015

- 1F - Sha-taya
- 1L - Mathivadhana
- 1N - Artin
- 2HM - Gianni
- 2J - Jared
- 3B - Dennise
- 3JM - Rebecca
- 3M - Danica
- 4G - Raymond
- 4S - Cade
- 5C - Sharn
- 5WI - Quinn
- 5/6P - Kiara

FROM THE OFFICE

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
TIME TO SMILE!

School Photo Day is Wednesday 29th April

Your child should have brought home the envelope required to purchase photographs. Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelope and remember these helpful points:

- All students must return their envelope to the photographer on photo-day. Please do not forward to the office.
- Don’t seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day to ensure their order is placed and processed (even if the payment is in a sibling’s envelope).
- Family/sibling Photo envelopes are available at the office upon request. These photographs are for school aged students attending Taigum State School only (no babies or parents can be accommodated in these photographs).
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash and Cheques only. Credit Card payments can be made prior to photo day via our online ordering system at www.msp.com.au Instructions are included on the back of the envelope. Credit and Debit cards from Mastercard or Visa are accepted. On completion of an online order, the website will display an order reference code which should be written on the back of the envelope in the box provided. Each child will still be required to bring their envelope on photo-day.

Should you have any queries, please don’t hesitate to contact us on phone: 3865 4291 or, email: admin.brisbane@msp.com.au

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is absent from school due to ill health or other reasons, please phone the Absence Line on  3632 9866, or alternatively, send an email to admin@taigumss.eq.edu.au or a note to your child’s class teacher.

For auditing purposes all student absences must be explained.

PERSONAL DETAILS UPDATE

If you have recently changed your address, contact phone number or emergency contacts, please complete a form at the office to update your details.

BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club orders for Issue 3 have been sent home with students. Should your child wish to purchase any items, please ensure their order form and correct money are returned to the school on or before Thursday 7 May 2015. A collection box has been placed on the front counter at the Administration Office.
FROM THE P&C

UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

Monday to Friday mornings: 8.15am to 9.00am

FROM THE TUCKSHOP

NEW OPENING TIMES
Tuesday – first break only
Friday – both lunch breaks

Tuckshop will be open on Tuesday – First break only, and Friday – both lunch breaks. Our tuckshop menu can be found on the Taigum SS website or you can collect a copy from the office.

If tuckshop is to continue to provide this extra service, we will need to ensure there is enough interest from our students, and enough parent volunteers to make this possible. Without extra parent support on Tuesdays we will not be able to continue to this option.

We are always looking for extra help so if you have some time on a Tuesday or Friday and would like to volunteer in the tuckshop, please leave your name and contact details with the office.

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SCHOOL PARTICIPATION OFFICERS

Every Day Counts

Is your child at school today?

You must:
• Enrol your child at school
• Send your child to school every day
• If your child is away from school, make sure you tell the school.

Together let’s make Everyday Count
Wednesday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a Dollarmites token. The first token will be received upon the first deposit at school. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can then be redeemed for a range of great, exclusive reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Don’t forget, students who consistently display stellar savings behaviour by making 25 or more School Banking deposits in 2015 will automatically go into the draw to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland. This astronomical prize includes return flights, five night’s accommodation, transfers and 3 days park entry for up to 2 adults and 2 children as well as AUD$20000 spending money.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

PADUA COLLEGE – OPEN DAY
Padua College are holding an Open Day on Sunday, 17 May 2015 between 11am and 2pm. If you would like to attend, or for more information, please contact Bev Steward or Patricia Watkins on 3857 9915 or email enrolments@padua.qld.edu.au
ZILLMERE LIBRARY – HOMEWORK HELP

Zillmere library is now able to host homework help on a Thursday as well as our usual Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:45pm.

We currently have students from St Pats and St Rita college who are helping us to deliver this service.

For further information on the above program please contact Brad Rampton at Zillmere Library on 3403 1455.

RANGATAHI KOHANGA

Rangatahi Kohanga is for any young person aged from 11 to 17 years old who wants to learn Maori culture, language, dance and song as well as learn about mental health, healthy & active lifestyles, sexual health, positive relationships, drugs and alcohol, spirituality, leadership and loads of other topics. in a maori environment.

Rangatahi Kohanga meets every Friday evening from 6pm to 8.30pm at Te Kohanga ote whenua hou Community where: 60 - 62 Delaware St, Geebung

Dinner is served at 5.15pm
Cost is $3 per young person & Healthy kai supplied
Call 0431 171 041 for more info

TAIGUM TINY TIGERS PLAYGROUP

What We Do:
At Taigum Tiny Tigers Playgroup we cater for children from birth to 5yrs old, and offer a safe and fun environment for little ones and their parents / carers to come and spend a couple hours each week.

We organise a range of fun activities for the children that include: Story Time, Arts & Crafts as well as Imaginative Play!

Coffee and tea is provided for the adults and we encourage everyone to bring something to share for Morning Tea.

When and Where:
Taigum Tiny Tigers meets on Tuesdays from 9am – 11am

We are located at Taigum State School (Room 9 – next to the Tuckshop)
266 Handford Road, Taigum 4018

For any further information please contact Chloe Boswell on: 3632 9888.
We Look Forward To Seeing You There!

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CRAIGSLEA STATE HIGH SCHOOL – OPEN DAY

On Sunday, 3 May, Craigslea State High School will present our Open Day for interested parents, carers, prospective students and friends wishing to view our range of resources and programs. This is an opportunity to meet students and staff and to take a tour of the school. This occasion will commence in the school hall at 1.30pm.

For further details please see the flyer below.

BRACKEN RIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL – EXPO 2015

You are invited to attend our Open Night on Tuesday 5 May at 4:30pm
Events: 4:30pm Free sausage sizzle
5:00pm Tour of School
6:30pm Principal’s Address

Come along & experience faculty demonstrations, see our facilities, discuss Life at Bracken Ridge with current students and meet members of our teaching staff.

We look forward to seeing you.

CHANGES TO 942 DISTRICT ROUTE

Passenger Alert

Effective Monday 20th April 2015, a minor change to the running time of the 942 district route will take effect:
The 942 district route will now depart or pass:
- Kedron High School (“Gorman St district stop” in Gorman St) at 15.12
- Kedron Primary School (“Sadlier St” stop in Sadlier St) at 15.24
- “Goodall St” stop on Strathmore St (picking up Padua, Mt Alvernia and St Anthony students) at 15.33
- Chermside Interchange “Platform E” at 15.47
- “Zillmere Station” stop on Handford Rd at 16.01
- Terminating at the “Bracken Ridge” express stop in Quinlan St at 16.22

Full details of amended arrival times at your stop, will be available from the Translink website (www.translink.com.au) or by phoning 131230 prior to the 20th April implementation
AUSTRALIAN GOJU KAI KARATE

Have you ever thought about Authentic Japanese Goju Ryu Karate classes? Such classes can enhance calmness, focus and fitness. They provide positive life skills and assist with the goal setting for everything students do. They lay the foundations of self-discipline, providing a positive outlook for home and school.

It has been shown that students who practice Karate apply themselves more conscientiously at school and home and are less likely to be bullied or become bullies, as they develop greater self-confidence and respect for others. They will learn the importance of learning from their mistakes, why good nutrition is important, responsible, legal and safe behaviour, the ability to avoid negative peer pressure and self defence while reinforcing the virtues of hard work, concentration, planning, self-discipline and family values.

Accomplishments in Karate are often seen in a positive light by prospective employers who rightly attach images of strength, trust and good character to those who study it.

Australian Goju Kai Karate, the premier Karate school, offers martial arts classes at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels. Families can train together in any of the classes.

The adult martial art classes are aimed at increasing confidence, flexibility, co-ordination, people skills, self defence, strength, stamina and improved general fitness. Training at AGKK is a life changing decision. Classes are energetic, positive, fun and versatile.

You are welcome to inquire about beginning or enhancing your Karate journey either by contacting: Bernie Sensei on 0409 474 494 or visiting www.agkk.com.au

CRAIGSLEA STATE HIGH SCHOOL – MUSICAL

Craigslea State High School is proud to present ‘High School Musical Onstage’ – a musical based on the Disney Channel Original Movie. This is an exciting opportunity for your students to view a live performance and enhance their appreciation of the Arts – Dance, Drama, Music and Visual Art (set production).

Troy Bolton and Gabriella Montez come from two different worlds: Troy the Basketball God and Gabriella the Smart, Stunning Geek. When they meet at a New Year's Eve they instantly click. When they meet each other again at East High School, they accidentally audition for their high school's musical. The social cliques they belong to don't approve of this new friendship and try to separate them. At the same time, drama queen Sharpay Evans and her brother Ryan, the co-captains of the Drama department, try in every way to prevent Troy and Gabriella from winning over them in the callbacks. Can Troy and Gabriella lead their friends to a more open-mind thinking and acceptance of one another? Or will their friends win?

Date: 9th May 2015

Time: 11am

Tickets: $5.00

Place: Craigslea State High School – Hall

Hamilton Road, West Chermside

Duration: 2 hours
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