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15 September 2015

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Last week I spoke about our community obligations and how it was important that we brought parents into the school to celebrate the other things we do, apart from academic work. Little did I realise, how well our first ever 'Theatre Night', accomplished this goal.

For the first time, we set up our hall as a full auditorium with 400 seats on the floor and a proper stage. We actually did a test run on Thursday to see if we could fit everything in. As it turned out, the hall's capacity was just about right as we had approximately 380 people in the audience. It was a great night, I think, for all those 380, who saw their children or grandchildren sing, dance, act, mime, speak and generally put on a big show for their families and friends. Some of the acts went better than others, which is to be expected, but overall we were all pretty happy with the entire programme. It took a lot of preparation from Mrs Mackay and Mr Martin before the night and a huge effort from them on the night. Many other teachers, student teachers and teacher-aides also contributed, while the P&C did a fine job of feeding all the hungry attendees. At 8pm, when it was all over, I think most parents and teachers were pretty satisfied with the night's performance and more importantly, every child had a wonderful time.

Taigum's Got Talent

Not only have Mrs Mackay and Mr Martin been busy with the theatre night, they have also been running the 'Taigum's Got Talent' contest over the past few weeks. This has given our students the opportunity to show off their artistic abilities in a very supportive and enjoyable environment. With the end of term nearly upon us, it is finals time. Our last four entrants left in the competition will be performing live for the whole school on Friday's assembly. That should make for a fitting finale to school as we head into the holiday period.

Power Upgrade

I wrote about this some weeks ago, but now the preliminary work is in full swing. The electricians are preparing the site for a major electrical overhaul that will allow for the efficient running of all powered devices across the school. Up until now, we have been unable to run computers, fans, lights etc, without the risk of tripping circuits and losing power to whole blocks at a time. This will all change, once the work is complete. It is anticipated that most of the disruption to our power supply, due to this work, will occur over the holiday break. Whilst that has no impact upon most of us, anyone using vacation care at Jabiru will encounter some inconvenience on several days over the period. I assume that the Jabiru staff will keep parents apprised of the situation affecting them. The only other consideration for us will be swimming lessons in the pool. They will not start until Week 2 of next term as the filter system will be turned off during the holiday outage periods and the pool will not be in operation in the first week back.

Jabiru Shutdown

Anyone using vacation care at Jabiru will encounter some inconvenience over the period of work at the school, on the holidays, as the site will be closed during asbestos removal work. As this work make occur at any time, Jabiru has decided to close for the whole vacation. Children will be accommodated at nearby programmes at Boondall and Bracken Ridge. Government legislation mandates that nobody be on site during any asbestos work. I apologise for this but it is for the safety of all of us here.

The Holidays

I don't need to remind anyone that this term ends on Friday this week, September 18. I probably do need to point out that we return to school on Tuesday 6 October, as the Monday of that week is the public holiday for Labour Day. That leaves us with one day short of ten school weeks in Term 4 to finish the year. Forty-nine school days will remain to get two units of work done in literacy, numeracy, science and geography/history, to complete plenty of work in PE, music and LOTE, do interschool sport, assessment, report cards, planning for 2016 and all the work associated with graduation and the completion of the 2015 school year. It will be busy, hectic but never dull and I'm sure we'll all get through it quite well. The best things to do in preparation for the term ahead is to enjoy the next two weeks as much as possible, recharge the batteries and not think about school until that first Tuesday.

Mark Fisher
Principal

Students of the Week

- Prep B** – Ashmeet for participating well during reading groups to improve his reading
Prep CD – Reme for responsible behaviour
Year 1F – Miguel for being a hard working mathematician
Year 1L – Ysabella for working well to finish off her history assessment
Year 1N – Chelsea for working well in stamina reading
Year 2HM – Jermaine for always working quietly and efficiently
Year 2J – Tameika for her enthusiasm and understanding of what life was like without technology in Australia over 100 years ago
Year 3B – Ger Kler Htoo for making the cutest koala ever for our class on Theatre night
Year 3JM -Mya for improving her book presentation each week
Year 3M – Richard for showing care and understanding towards other students
Year 4G - **The Whole Class** for all students involved in Theatre Night - bringing down the house and putting in 100% effort. Fantastic performance!
Year 4S – Jacinta for always doing her best and showing kind and courteous manners
Year 5C - Karima for working hard on her 'Waltzing Matilda' multi-modal presentation
Year 5WI – Tyrell for working independently on his history assessment PowerPoint task on the computer
Year 5/6P - Anna-Maria for working hard on her English speech
Year 6S – Deniro for improvement in concentration in all areas of work

BOOK AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who received awards for their bookwork on Friday 11th September 2015

- 1F - Otis
- 1L - Indiana
- 1N - Kareora
- 2HM - Hannah
- 2J - Harsheen
- 3B - Zaki
- 3JM - Ian
- 3M - Eh Koh Ree
- 4G - Riley
- 4S - Devashree
- 5C - Tyler
- 5WI - Kevin
- 5/6P - June
- 6S - Tiffani

FROM THE OFFICE

YEAR 6 CAMP PAYMENTS DUE

Just a friendly reminder to those families who have a child attending this year's Year 6 camp. The **balance of payment (\$165) is now due**. If you have not already paid in full please forward your final payment to the office immediately.

LOST PROPERTY

There are a large number of unclaimed items in Lost Property. If your child has misplaced any item during the year could you please encourage them to have a look as all unnamed items will be donated to a charity at the end of each term.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school. We're now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. So this week, please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers you may have. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support!

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.

PREP – YEAR 6 ENROLMENTS – 2016

Children born between 1st July 2010 and 30th June 2011 are eligible for enrolment in Prep in 2016

If you have a child, or know a family living in our catchment area that have a child eligible for enrolment in Prep - Year 6 in 2016, could you please ensure that an enrolment form is completed and submitted to the school's administration office as early as possible.

To best support our staffing allocation for next year it is important that we have the correct number of students intending to attend Taigum State School enrolled.

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.

SCHOOL PARTICIPATION OFFICERS

Attendance:

Our commitment to ensuring that students achieve their best continues and we would like to remind everyone that attendance every day is important. Missing 1 or 2 days may not seem like much, but the table below shows the impact on a students' education.

If a student misses...	That equals...	And over 5 years of schooling that's losing...
1 day each fortnight	20 days – (4weeks) per year	1 semester of learning time
1 day each week	40 days – (8 weeks) per year	1 year of learning time
2 days each week	80 days – (16 weeks) per year	2 years of learning time
3 days each week	120 days – (24 weeks) per year	3 years of learning time

Attendance at school plays a significant role in students' success. The higher the level of attendance - the better chance of achieving success. Thank you to all our parents who support their child in attending school every day. If you are having difficulties getting your child to attend school, please discuss this with us.

Many thanks
Bambi & Karen
School Participation Officers

FROM THE LIBRARY



"To learn to read is to light a fire; every syllable that is spelled out is a spark." **Victor Hugo**

FROM THE P&C

UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

Monday to Friday mornings: 8.15am to 9.00am

The uniform shop now has EFTPOS.

Father's Day Raffle

Thank you to everyone who supported the Father's Day Raffle. The winners were:

- 1st – Janelle (5WI)
- 2nd – Miguel (1F)
- 3rd - Satinitigan Family

McDonald's Meal Day

Just a reminder "McDonalds Day" at school is on this Wednesday 16th September.

We wish you all a great holiday and hope to see you next term.

SCHOOL BANKING

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.

Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes in Term 3

We're bringing the exciting news that an Intergalactic Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes. To help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal, ***students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3*** and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes.

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo Headphones
- 200 x \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Students can also complete a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. Students can start the Money Mission any time after Monday 13th July, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning.

DATES TO REMEMBER

 SEPTEMBER 2015	
16 th	School Banking
16 th	Walking Wheeling Wednesday
18 th	Taigum's Got Talent Finals - Assembly
18 th	Last Day of Term <i>(School resumes on Tuesday 6 October)</i>

COMMUNITY NOTICES

ZILLMERE PCYC - After School Swimming Lessons



If you would like to enrol your child in the 1st round of swimming lessons, please collect a form from the school office, complete and return with payment by the 14th October 2015.

1st Round of Swimming (Tues 20th Oct – Tues 3rd Nov)

Cost is \$25 for 5 lessons (held on Tuesdays and Thursdays each week for 5 lessons)

Venue: Taigum State School Pool

Learn to Swim Classes (Ages 6-7 years)

- 4:15 – 4:45 pm
- 4:45 – 5:15 pm

Stroke Correction Classes (Ages 8-12 years)

- 4:45 – 5:15 pm

All participants require goggles and Swim Caps

For further information please contact Piet Kailola at Zillmere PCYC on 3633 0244

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!

OCTOBER TWILIGHT MARKETS

Sandgate Hawks Twilight Markets,
Oktoberfest & Car Boot Sale

Saturday 17th October 2015
3:00pm – 8:30pm

We are on the lookout for marketeers. The event will coincide with our very own Oktoberfest and Car Boot Sale, so get your steins ready and think all things German.

Pretzels, steins of beer, bell ringing, dancing and lots of laughing!

If you would like to be a part of this, please send us an email request,

sandgatehawksmarketing@gmail.com and we'll send you a copy of the application form. Please fill it in, and get it back to us before July 31st to ensure your interest is registered. If you know of any German stallholders that may be interested, ask them to get in touch with us too.

If you have any questions in the lead up to this event, get in touch with us by phoning the club on 3363 9666.

WAVELL STATE HIGH SCHOOL

JUNIOR SECONDARY



Parent Information Evening
Year 7 – 2016

Monday 14 September 2015

Commencing at 7:00pm

Assembly Hall

Telopia Avenue, Wavell Heights

2016 Enrolment Applications are due now

For further details contact our

Enrolment Officer Ms Lock on 3350 0328

SANDGATE DISTRICT STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Sandgate District State High School would like to invite families who are yet to enrol their child in Year 7 in 2016, to please collect an enrolment pack, which is available from your Primary School office. Upon completion of all relevant paperwork please contact the Enrolment Officer on 3869 9888 to arrange an interview time, as places are filling fast.

SENSORY MOVIE DAY

Sensory Movie Days are inclusive events for families/carers with special needs.

- Lighting is on dim, sound lowered, volunteers monitoring fire exit doors
- Sensory Movie Days run once a month on a Sunday at 11am
- Tickets are \$8 each Children 2yrs and under are free
- Companion I.D. Cards are accepted

Sensory Movie Day is run at Morayfield Birch Carroll & Coyle cinema

Upcoming screenings include:

- ***Pixels*** – Sunday 13 September
- ***Pan*** – Sunday 18 October
- ***Blinky Bill*** – Sunday 15 November
- ***Hotel Transylvania 2*** – Sunday 6 December

For any further information please contact Chanelle on 0422416509 or sensorymovieday@hotmail.com

JUNIOR INDOOR NETBALL



Friday Afternoons/Evenings. We don't play during school holidays.

Only \$7 per player per week

Play indoors rain, hail or shine

Nominate a team or as an individual (we will try our best to get you into a team)

Umpire, scoring and timing all provided

First round to commence on the 9th October 2015

All games played at Inside Sportz, Gympie Road, Strathpine (Same complex as Uptiles & Lollipops)

Great stepping stone into Indoor Junior State Titles

Nominate now at www.insidesportz.com.au

For further inquiries ring 3205 5644 or email netball@insidesportz.com.au

