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9 August 2016

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Bramble Bay Athletics

Over 50 of our students took part in the Bramble Bay Athletics last Thursday and Friday. We thank Sarah Camilleri, Bambi Silvertand and Steve Buchanan who attended as our school officials and managers. We await the results and will publish these when available. Regardless of how these individual results will look, it is with much pride that our young athletes represented our school with the highest standards of behaviour and sportsmanship. We have received considerable feedback that the responsible and respectful behaviour demonstrated by our students outshone that of every other school. This is an exceptional measure of success and one we can be most proud of as a school community.

Sporting Schools

Our Sporting Schools afternoons of Tuesday netball and Thursday NRL will conclude next week. These sessions have been of a very high coaching standard with the sessions being conducted by Netball QLD and NRL QLD. We thank these sporting bodies for their involvement in our programs. Due to the overwhelming success, we hope to revisit these programs next year.

Interschool Sports

A reminder to all that Interschool sport starts next Friday 19 August. Please return permission forms and money (Rugby League only) if you intend for your child to participate. Students may not participate in sports without the required permissions.

RNA Show Holiday

A reminder to all that tomorrow (Wednesday 10 August) is the RNA Show Holiday and school will be closed for this day.

RNA Show Excursion

As I write this, 40 of our students are enjoying the sights & sounds of the EKKA. As well as being the first 2016 Senior Leader Excursion for our Year 6 Leaders, EaLD students also attend with Mr Haigh. We are sure they will have a marvellous time and will remember many of today's experiences in the years to come.

Book Week Dress Up Day

Our Book Week Dress Up Day is on Friday next week (19 August). All students (& staff) are encouraged to come to school dressed in the guise of their favourite book characters. **This year we request a gold coin donation from each person in character dress.** Donations will be forwarded to the iSee Church Taigum who work actively assisting families in our school community. This assistance is seen on a weekly basis with the provision of food hampers to many of our families. The church has also made a visible difference to our school by painting C Block on a weekend. Our support on this occasion will help ensure their valuable assistance continues.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 6 September in our school hall. Please look out for Interview request forms which will be sent home over the next fortnight. Interview times will be confirmed in writing by class teachers. If a request form or confirmation is not received please contact the class teacher by 31 August.

Car Park Reminder

Parents are requested to park in the parent car park located via the southern driveway adjacent to the Assembly Hall. **Parents who park in the staff car park endanger the lives of their children and others.** Repeated incidents of students nearly being hit by cars as they make their way to parent cars continues to occur. Please be respectful of our request for compliance with this rule.

Lynne Tunny
Acting Principal

Students of the Week

Prep B	- Mia for working her best in all areas, and being a kind and helpful class member
Prep CD	- Joe for building an excellent zoo with the Duplo. A well designed enclosure
Prep H	- Sehaj for trying hard to decode words in reading groups
Year 1L	- Tyler for working conscientiously during reading groups
Year 1N	- Althea for working conscientiously during guided reading lessons
Year 2C	- Andre for always completing homework to an excellent standard
Year 2H	- Eshani for always working well and being so kind and caring
Year 2J	- Mia-Bella for demonstrating excellent progress in guided reading groups
Year 3B	- Basil for making a concentrated effort to learn his number facts
Year 3M	- Yasmin for always actively engaging in classroom activities
Year 4G	- Rhiana for excellent improvement and results in working with fractions
Year 4S	- Alex for working really hard in class, and always answering questions
Year 4TK	- Khristiana for wonderful work in literacy groups. She worked diligently and completed her sentence writing efficiently
Year 5P	- Ladu for being a responsible and helpful class member
Year 5WI	- Hunter for working hard in maths groups
Year 6C -	Bailey for taking on extra work during maths and successfully completing it
Year 6N	- Kevin for consistently exhibiting a high level of positive and kind behaviour when interacting with fellow students
LOTE	- Lincoln for giving 100% effort and participating with enthusiasm in all German activities during lessons. Ausgezeichnet!
EALD	- Japji for improved effort in her speaking, listening, writing and reading skills

BOOK AWARDS



Congratulations to the following students who received awards for their bookwork on Friday 5th August 2016.

- 1L - Matthew
- 1N - Jaida
- 2C - Harun
- 2H - Indiana
- 2J - Kelser
- 3B - Summer
- 3M - Rune
- 4G - Rhiana
- 4SH - Ger Kler Htoo
- 4TK - Ben
- 5P - PJ
- 5WI - Johnathan
- 6C - Akhemi
- 6N - Ketarna

FROM THE OFFICE

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.

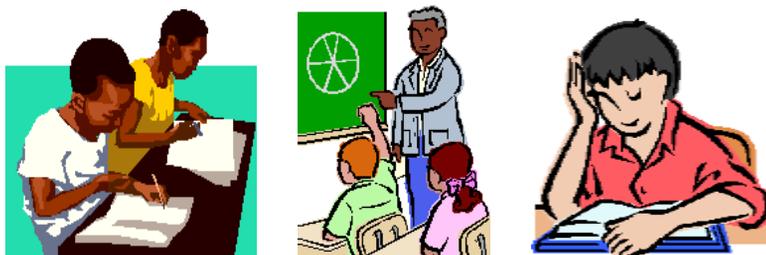
For auditing purposes all student absences must be explained.

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.

SCHOOL PARTICIPATION OFFICERS

Every Day Counts



School absenteeism can impact significantly on students' learning and wellbeing. Research shows that higher student attendance is associated with higher student achievement. Additionally, attending school every day helps children to build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience. Schools monitor attendance of students and follow up with parents and caregivers any unexplained absences. If your child does not want to go to school, or is missing too much school, please contact the school for assistance and support.

*Children do better when they go to school all day, every day
They learn better
They make friends
They are happier
They have a brighter future*

Together let's make Every Day Count

Kind regards,
Bambi and Karen
School Participation Officers

FROM THE P&C

UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

Monday to Thursday mornings: 8.15am to 8:45am

The uniform shop accepts cash or EFTPOS.

FROM THE LIBRARY



"There is no frigate like a book, to take us lands away." *Emily Dickinson*

FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

Most clubs will still be on for the rest of the term. However the music room is fast becoming a store room for the musical so some clubs may be cancelled every now and again. Our choir though, has a concert coming up next Wednesday. (Notes will come home today) So please remember to come to the extra rehearsals.

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Club	Keyboard Club	School Choir	Guitar Club	Recorder Ensemble
Year Level	5-6	1-6	5-6	4-6

Well done to all band members. They are all keen and ready to go on **Monday morning 8:10am in the music room**. We will be performing on assembly soon.

There'll be **NO Wednesday after school rehearsal this week due to the EKKA holiday. Wednesday afternoons will start again next week, until week 8, 3:00pm – 4:30pm**. Thank you for all those parents that have supported us so far in our fantastic show. Please continue to encourage your child to make the musical their priority this term, as we need to put the whole show together.

Thank you to all those parents and caregivers who have already been “shopping” or sewing costumes. Your help and support is invaluable. If you have anything ready, please send it in, or bring it in on a Wednesday afternoon. There are still some children who need to return their next musical letter, please return this to me this week, so I know if your child needs help with anything.

Thank you to all those parents / carers and staff who donated their time to come along and do some backdrop painting. I was overwhelmed at how many wonderful helpers we had. *Many hands make light work.*

Thank you to all for your support,
Andrea Mackay
Music Specialist

SCHOOL BANKING



Due to the EKKA holiday this week, **Thursday 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.

Keep saving to win a Wildlife Adventure Holiday

This year School Banking is running a wild Grand Prize competition. We're giving you the chance to win a family trip to Australia Zoo, where you'll get to meet Bindi and Robert Irwin, plus:

- Enjoy a full day Platinum Zoo Adventure Tour, where you'll get to pat wombats, cuddle koalas and feed wallabies, all while your personal photographer captures every amazing moment.
- Domestic return economy airfares to Sunshine Coast Qld, 4 nights accommodation, 5 days car hire and \$1000 spending money.

Simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 and you'll automatically receive an entry into the competition for a chance to win.

Find out more at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Term 3 Competition

We are very excited to be able to share the details of our Term 3 competition with you!

Theme: Prize Lights!

This year's competition ties in with our Outback Savers theme. The Dollarmites have discovered Prize Lights in the Outback sky!

Competition period 9:00am AEST on 11/07/2016 to 11:59pm AEST on 30/09/2016.

The winners' draw will take place at 12:00pm AEDST on 12/10/2016.

Competition Entry & prizes



Students who make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 will have a chance to win one of the Star Saver prizes including 50 camping kits, 90 instant cameras and 200 magazine packs.

Excitingly, this year we have a second prize pool available. Students who complete the fun Stargazing online activity, along with making their three deposits during Term 3, will also go in the separate draw to win one of 50 Supernova prizes – PlayStation 4 packs.

A Competition page will be set up on the Commbank website and will be live at the start of the competition period. It will outline all competition details including the Stargazing online activity.

DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST 2016	
9 th	Youngstorm Program (Years 3 – 6)
9 th	Sporting Schools Netball
9 th	Senior Leader EKKA Excursion
10 th	EKKA Public Holiday
11 th	School Banking
11 th	Sporting Schools NRL
16 th	Youngstorm Program (Years 3 – 6)
16 th	Sporting Schools Netball
18 th	Sporting Schools NRL
19 th	Book Week Dress Up Day
19 th	Interschool Sport

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SMITH FAMILY – SAVER PLUS PROGRAM

Is your child at school or starting next year?

Would you like \$500 to help pay for uniforms, books, excursions or a laptop?

To be eligible you need to:

- have a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card
- have a child at school now or starting next year
- have some form of household income, for example – your partner or yourself may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal employment
- Saver Plus can match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar up to \$500.

Saver Plus is looking for new participants so enquire about signing up today!

To find out more, phone or SMS your name and postcode to 1300 610 355, or email saverplus@bsl.org.au

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 Fridays from 9:30am – 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 Bambi Silvertand on: 3632 9888.
We Look Forward To Seeing You There!

HOMWORK HELP



Zillmere Library ~ Homework Help

We would just like to remind everyone about our Homework Help program. Any students needing help with reading, writing, assignments or school work are welcome to join us in the library for this free service for primary and high school students throughout the school term.

Homework Help is available every Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 -4:45pm at Zillmere Library. If any staff or parents need any more information please call us on 07 3403 1455.

KURBINGUI HOMEWORK HELP

The aim of Kurbingui Homework Help group is to provide tutoring, mentoring and homework help for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth in the Zillmere and surrounds local area, it is also intended to develop confidence in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people and help them socially and academically participate in school in a more meaningful way.

If you require further information please contact Sio Kite on 3156 4808 or email: bridges@kurbingui.org.au

SANDGATE DISTRICT STATE HIGH SCHOOL



2017 Enrolments

Sandgate District State High School would like to invite families who are yet to enrol their child in Year 7 in 2017, to contact the Enrolment officer on 3869 9888 to arrange an interview time as places are filling fast.

C&K BOONDALL COMMUNITY KINDERGARTEN

Enrol now at C&K Boondall Community Kindergarten

C&K Boondall Community Kindergarten is a family orientated, community owned kindergarten. Don't wait – enrol today to secure your spot on the waiting list!
Health Care Card fee reductions available.
Visit us at 31 Carlyle Rd, Boondall. Phone: 3265 5439
admin@boondallkindy.com.au or www.boondallkindy.com.au

HELEN O'GRADY DRAMA



CHILDREN LOVE DRAMA

PARENTS LOVE THE RESULTS!

Our unique drama system develops confidence and communication skills in children and teenagers.

Dynamic and structured, our programme covers speech, movement, creative drama and language development with all students participating in an end-of- year production.

Our acclaimed drama programme is implemented by dynamic teachers who work enthusiastically to bring out the very best in your child.

Affordable Fees! No Hidden Costs! Family Discounts!

Lower Primary (5-8), Upper Primary (9–12) and Youth Theatre (12–18).

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy

Please phone the Principal Margaret Treuel B.A., Dip. Ed. on 3353 0555

SINGING LESSONS – HAYLEY WILSON MUSIC

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SINGING LESSONS FOR PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN IN
BRISBANE

LESSONS ARE AVAILABLE EVERY MONDAY TO THURSDAY
FROM 3.30pm-5.30pm

30 MINUTE LESSON - \$30

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK A
LESSON PLEASE CONTACT HAYLEY AT
ADMIN@HAYLEYWILSONMUSIC.COM



ASPLEY STATE HIGH SCHOOL – TWILIGHT TOUR



2017 Enrolments for Year 7 through to Year 12 are now available.

We invite you to contact the school for Parent tours and enrolment interview times.

“Twilight Tour” with the Principal – Ms Miller
Wednesday 17th August 2016
4:30 – 6:30pm Lecture Centre
651 Zillmere Road Aspley

Register online www.aspleyshs.eq.edu.au or phone 3863 9222

BEARS SOFTBALL – BATTER UP PROGRAM



Softball Batter Up Bears Softball Club

**Come and have some fun and try softball!!
3 week program for kids 7-12 years old**

When:

Sunday mornings – 9:00 – 10:00am
(first Sunday to 10:30am includes induction)

28 August, 4th and 11th September 2016

Where:

O’Callaghan Park, Jennings St, ZILLMERE

How Much:

\$65 - Includes 3 week program, Softball glove and ball OR Softball bat for returning participants!

More info:

Email: getintosoftball@gmail.com

Tegan – 0419 757 537

Kim – 0411 752 948

confident kids + teens

Resilience Skills for a Happy Life!

Book now for our September School Holiday Program!

Confident Kids ® + teens is an innovative coaching program for kids 5-14yrs that aims to boost confidence, emotional resilience, social skills and brain power. Students discover their strengths, and build resilient thinking skills to reduce stress, anxiety, worry, or negative thinking.

Essential tools to navigate the teen years!

Our team of experienced Psychologists will coach, encourage and support your child to be all they can be! Medicare and Private health fund rebates apply.

Register and Book online today at confidentkidsandteens.com.au Or contact us at

info@positivefamilies.com.au or 07 3366 2241 for an Information pack.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

Child & Family Wellbeing Service

What We Do

The Child & Family Wellbeing team works with families to support the emotional health of children and young people who live in the Brisbane North region. We offer **no-cost** assistance to families who have questions or are unsure about their child's social and emotional wellbeing.

Who Do We Help

We provide support to **any child under the age of 18** who is showing signs of stress, worry and/or mood and behaviour changes.

This service does not provide support to children or young people on child service orders. If you are unsure, we welcome any questions you might have and we will happily point you in the right direction if our service is not the right fit for your family.

Some Possible Signs That We Can Help

Worry, bullying or being bullied, clinginess, quick to anger, biting, trouble sleeping, complaining of illnesses but there are no physical signs, negative thoughts, refusing to go to school, feelings of hopelessness, stealing, running away, lack of energy, not wanting to bathe regularly, not eating/lack of appetite, lack of energy, more emotional than usual, difficulty concentrating.

We understand that a lot of these signs can be a named part of growing up. However if you are unsure or have any questions about your child's emotional or social wellbeing please feel free to call us and we can talk about what's going on.

How We Can Help

We can talk to you about ways to help your child at home or another place you feel comfortable.

Our Contact Details

P: 07 3170 4600

A: Ground Floor, 189 Coronation Drive, Milton QLD 4064

Operating Hours: 9am – 5pm, Monday – Friday

Please note, we do not operate as a crisis service

SING AND GROW MUSIC



Jabiru Communities Team is offering free Sing & Grow Music sessions in your home
Limited Opportunities for families with children aged 0-5 in North Brisbane!

For more information and to secure your spot please call: 3269 0044

For families who have a child that has not participated in a full 10 week Sing & Grow program