Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Community Members,

We are on the downhill run to the end of term, and what a term it has been so far! Students have displayed excellent behaviour and work ethic throughout the term and we are celebrating their successes. Our dynamite Prep class have settled in beautifully and their favourite thing to do is learn on Reading Eggs, every morning the question is asked “Do we go on Reading Eggs today?”

“Reading Eggs makes learning to read interesting and engaging for kids, with great online reading games and activities. Children love the games, songs, golden eggs and other reward which, along with feeling proud of their reading, really motivate children to keep exploring and learning.”

Our Year 1 and 2s are improving in their reading, have been revising digraphs and making sure all sentences begin with a capital letter and end with a full stop. They are beginning to independently write complex sentences and are so proud of their achievements. We love to see the pride and excitement on their faces when they suddenly understand a concept. Those “lightbulb moments” certainly make our day!

Our Year 3 students have been working hard to complete set tasks and their independence as learners is becoming more noticeable. They are enjoying being seen as...
Student of the week

BRIDGET
for excellent effort throughout the week.

Great behaviour awards

ALANNAH
for always “filling peoples buckets”

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as “one of the big kids” and are certainly stepping up to the mark.

Our Year 6 students have been working exceptionally hard to complete units of work in English, Science and History. Their ability to work independently when required and complete set tasks is outstanding! I would like to make special mention of Jorja who is being an amazing role-model to the younger students each day and organising games during lunchtimes to keep everyone entertained.

With only 14 school days left this term, students will now be completing assessments. We would like to invite you to our Celebration Day in the last week of school for the students to “show and tell” their successes. More information will be forthcoming.

Next week, Mrs Bell and I will be attending the Information and Technologies branch (ITB) Regional Roadshow on Tuesday and Wednesday, which is held at the MECC. Mrs Jeanette Jordan will be working on these days. We are thoroughly looking forward to the professional development and the program looks exceptionally exciting.

“The roadshow coincides with the release of the department’s Digital Strategy 2014-17, which supports business solutions and better educational outcomes through improved delivery of high-quality, cost effective and contemporary ICT.”

A big thank you to everyone for bringing in the Classroom Makeover tokens. We haven’t yet done a final count, but I will certainly let you know. Let’s hope we win!!!

Geraldine Parkes
QSchools App

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Choral Festival

Mrs Parkes will be attending the Choral Festival with the Year 3 - 6 students. A rehearsal will take place on Sunday 22nd March at Mercy College from 12.30 to 3.30pm. Monday 23rd March will be a big day with rehearsals and the evening performance taking place on centre stage at the MECC at 7.30pm.

Our school will form apart of the Blue Choir which also includes students from other schools.

Students involved in this years festival need to return their forms ASAP.

Head Lice

All parents should check their children and other family members for head lice regularly as early detection decreases treatment time and helps break the breeding cycle.

The most effective way to detect head lice is by using the hair conditioner and combing method. You will need white coloured hair conditioner, an ordinary comb, a fine tooth head lice comb and white tissue/kitchen towel.

- Apply sufficient white conditioner to dry hair to completely cover the scalp and hair from roots to tips.
- Use an ordinary comb to detangle hair and evenly distribute the conditioner. Divide the hair into four sections.
- Comb hair from root to tips using a fine tooth head lice comb.
- After each stroke, wipe the comb onto a white tissue, checking the comb and tissue for head lice.
- Comb the whole head, checking for lice.

Put all tissues in a plastic bag, tie the top and put the bag in a rubbish bin.

Meet & Greet and Meeting

The P & C will be holding a meeting this Thursday 19th March at 5.30pm. This will be followed by a meet and greet. Perfect opportunity to come along to be involved and meet some other parents. 5.30pm Start. Food and price list to come home.
**Student of the week**

**ALANNAH**

for amazing work ethic throughout the term.

**Great behaviour awards**

**HONOR , JORJA & Vinnie**

25 Nights of Reading

**School Leaders**

Well done to our two student leaders Jorja and Tahli who both delivered their speeches at parade this morning. They let everyone know what they think a good school leader is and how they will fill that role. A leadership badge ceremony will be held once the badges have arrived. Dates to be advised.

**TAHLI & JORJA**

2015 School Leaders

**Attendance Rate**

Our attendance rate has decreased and we are currently at 90.6%.

Our target is 95% which would bring us in line with high achieving schools around the state and country. Everyday counts.