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AIMING HIGHER

Principal's Points

Literacy Training

You may have read in the media of late that there is a renewed focus on teaching literacy in schools. To achieve the best possible outcomes in literacy for our students, Education Queensland has developed a new literacy strategy to support student learning. The key platform of this strategy involves the professional development of all teachers and teacher-aides over the next three years in the teaching of all aspects of literacy. Last year, our teacher-aides and our Years 1-3 teachers completed their training and are implementing what they have learnt. This term, Mrs Underhill, Mrs Barclay and Mrs McCollow will complete their five days of training. They missed out last year due to the fact that they were teaching different year levels and the training at that time was not offered to Prep teachers. All of this training is undertaken in school time with our teachers being replaced during the training times. The training will be broken up into two lots of two days and a single day later in the term to finish off the program. To minimise disruption for our students, they will have the same replacement teacher throughout the training period.

North West District Athletics

Due to the rain last week, The North West District Athletics will be held this Thursday and Friday. Several of our students will be competing at The District Athletics held at Hilder Road SS. They have been training hard and we wish them all the best. I look forward to seeing them perform to the best of their ability. As I am

required to attend a District Leadership Day on the Thursday, it

will be Friday before I have the opportunity.

School Parades

Many parents have come to include Wednesday's school parade in their weekly routine when possible. The parade is a great way for our whole school community to come together to celebrate the successes and achievements of our students and to focus together on key messages from time to time. Most weeks include some type of special performance or sharing of some type. If you haven't been to a school parade before, or haven't been to one for a long time, please try to join us one Wednesday morning. This week will be a very special parade as the children have an opportunity to farewell much loved teacher, Mr Hemming. The Band, Senior Strings and Senior Choir will all be performing. We hope that many of you can join us on this momentous occasion.

Condolences

This week we remember the Garcia-Pavy family. It was on 27 July 2004 that little Cassie lost her battle with leukaemia. Cassie was a Year 1 student at the time and Mrs McCollow was her teacher. Our thoughts and prayers are with all family members.

Thank you

Last week, I inadvertently forgot to mention Sushi Dream when listing the local businesses that supported the LRC Opening. A big thank you to Kevin and Jina for your kind donation. It was very much appreciated.

Parking on Payne Road

Please be considerate of our neighbours when parking on Payne Road to pick up children in the afternoon. We have had a few residents concerned that parents are

parking on the yellow line and thus blocking their view when they exit their property. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter as our children's safety is paramount to us all.

Staffing

I will be taking leave from 4-8 August. In my place, Mark Johnstone will step up to Principal and Nicole Goodwin will take on the role of Deputy Principal. Vicki Davidson will be teaching Year 4G for the week's duration. I go on leave knowing that the school will be in capable hands during this time.

School Organization

Due to the short week, there will be no newsletter during Exhibition Week.

Vicki Richards (Acting Principal)

VACANCY – SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISOR

2 casual positions exist for School Crossing Supervisors at Payne Road State School.

Remuneration \$21.33 per hour
1.5 hours per day on a roster system. 5 days a fortnight
Application packs available from the school.

TERM 3 DATES

Term Three 15 July to 19 September

Week 3: 4 August – 8 August

- 31 July
– NW Athletics Carnival
– Prep Exc to GOMA
- 1 August – NW Athletics Carnival

Week 4: 4 August – 8 August

- 4 August – Qld Arts Council 12 – 1.40pm – Hermes Goes Environmental
- 5 August 7 – 8pm Prep Room – "Helping your Child's Literacy & Language Development"

- 5 & 6 August – Intermediate Band Camp
 - 8 August – Olympic Games begin
 - 8 August - Prep Excursion GOMA

Week 5: 11 August - 15 August

- 12 August – English Competition
Yrs 3 - 7
- 13 August – Exhibition Holiday
- 14 August – Pupil Free Day
- 15 August – Winter Sport Concludes
- 15 August – Treat Time

Week 6: 18 August – 22 August

- 15 – 22 August – Book Week
- 21 August – P&C Meeting - 7.30pm

Week 7: 25 August-29 August

Week 8: 1 September – 5 September

- 1 September – Year 7 HRE Family Planning
- 5 September – Art & Music Soiree
- 5 September – Teacher Aide Day
- 6 September (Saturday) Art Show

Week 9: 8 September - 12 September

- 8 September - Year 7 HRE Family Planning
- 9 & 10 September – Yr 3 Strings Extravaganza
- 12 September – MEAL DEAL

Week 10: 15 September - 19 September

- 14 to 18 September - GRIPPS
- 15 September – Year 7 HRE Family Planning
- 16 – 18 September – Brisbane Writers Festival
- 17 & 18 September – Yr 4 Underwater World Sleep Over
- 18 September – GRIPPS Concert
- 18 September – P&C Meeting 7.30pm

GIFT FOR DOUGLAS HEMMING

Just a reminder that there will be a special parade on Wednesday July 30, to farewell our much-loved teacher Douglas Hemming.

P&C Committee

PREP INFORMATION EVENING

Tuesday 5 August 7.00pm – 8.00pm in the Prep room. “Helping your Child’s Literacy and Language Development”. The evening will be led by Mary Crombie – Guidance Officer and Kari Lloyd Learning Support Teacher.

Prep Teachers

DISTRICT ATHLETICS

This Thursday and Friday 31 July, and 1 August will be the North West District Athletics to be held at Hilder Road. We wish all students the best of luck and hopefully some personal bests.

Due to the athletics being held on Friday, please note there will be no interschool sports.

Liz Clancy

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

NEWS

The Senior Concert Band, Senior String and Chamber Ensembles will be performing on Assembly on Wednesday 30 July. Students are to wear their music uniform (don’t forget your blue school jumper). Please be on time for your morning rehearsals. There will be **NO Junior String Ensemble** due to this performance. Happy practicing.

Mr Hartog and Mrs Dinnis

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Many thanks to the families who responded so promptly to our letter asking for donations, towards the cost of the R.E. literature. It has been an enormous help. Donations may continue to be sent at any time that is best for your family’s finances. (Is there ever a ‘best’ time?) You may have felt that it wasn’t so long ago that you sent a donation. I apologise for that. We only ever send one letter each year but in 2007 it went out a little later than usual due to the fact that we lost some of our volunteers who moved from The Gap and /or had a change of employment, so it may have been Term 4 when the previous year’s donation was sent.

Esma Ross. (Co-ordinator)

PARENTS PLATES FROM LRC OPENING

We have one very nice plate in the shape of a waiter which had cheese on it on the night of the opening which has not been collected. If any one knows who owns this plate, would they please let the office know. Thanks you

Debra Jackson

KINDNESS

Kindness – it makes such a difference in our lives. This school is a place where a lot of kindness is shown. We want to notice it more, and so we are starting a random acts of kindness program.

Any individual in the school community can fill in a form found in the office, to report kindness displayed by someone else. We are encouraging children and staff to fill in these forms, but parents are welcome to do so too. There is a special starry bucket in the office where reports can be lodged, and forms are under it. Each week on assembly a few kind people will be mentioned, and the forms will be returned to the person reported, so that they know that their kindness was noticed.

Last week the chaplaincy leaders helped me to make a presentation on assembly outlining the program, and then I visited all the classrooms and talked to the children about it, and

answered their questions. Already we have had a great response –after three days I have forty reports of kind acts performed by students, teachers, and a parent or two. It would be great if you could help your children to notice kindness shown to them, and encourage them to report it.

Thank you

**Chris Bullock
Chaplain**

GRIPPS SPONSORSHIP

Advertise your business. Sponsorship for the forthcoming GRIPPS Music camp and concert is available for \$100. See brochure in breezeway or collect one from the office.

Debra Jackson

TINY TENNIS & TINY SOCCER

Mackenzie Watson is the player of the week for last week. Well Done. Exciting new Competition. Surprise. We need 6 players from Amaroo, 6 players from Moongara and 6 players from Nooroo.

Please give your names into the office, or give your names to Rebecca tennis coach or telephone John Berry on 3300 2246 or email john@tinysports.com.au. This competition will be run this term so don’t delay. Trials will be run first, before the main competition. It’s going to be fun.

John Berry (3300 2246)

STUDENT BANKING

Student banking will be this Wednesday morning and from now on will be on a **Wednesday** morning until further notice. All money to The Staff Room as soon as possible after parade. Thank you

Alison Devine

OSHC

Pupil Free Day

OSHC will be providing care on the Pupil Free Day on Thursday 14 August 2008. The program welcomes all students from Prep to year 7. To enrol, please pick up a form from the Activity Building.

Hours of operation: 7.00am – 6.00pm. Bookings are essential to ensure correct staff ratios. Enrolments must be received by Mon 11 August.

For any further information please contact us on 3300 0077.

Please note Wednesday 13 August is a Public Holiday and OSHC will not be operating.

Donations

Thank you to all our families for the ongoing supply of kind donations. We continue to need paper (old computer paper or used paper) and old magazines if you happen to have any lying around.

Lost Property

Could parents PLEASE name all of your children's clothing, as the amount of lost garments that end up in lost property and cannot be returned is unbelievably high. I understand that due to the cooler mornings and warmer days, items of clothing get peeled off. Please encourage your child/ren to place their jumpers and other pieces of discarded clothing into their bags as soon as possible after each break.

At the end of each term hundreds of dollars of shoes and clothing from our lost property is donated to charity, as the items are UNNAMED.

Susie Berkhut (Coordinator)

Meeting

Our monthly meeting for OSHC Management Committee is to be held this Wednesday 8th August at 7.30pm. Venue to be advised.

Our agenda will include what actions need to be taken to encourage families to pay for the services we **have already provided**. The question often comes to mind – would we be able to purchase groceries or any other service or continue to have services provided if our accounts weren't paid?

OSHC Committee

GRADE 7 PARENTS

A reminder that the photos for the CD are due now. If you haven't already sent in your child's photos to be included in the CD, please arrange it asap. If you have any questions or queries, please email Chris Shallish on theendofwoodside@optusnet.com.au

GREAT WESTERN SUPER CENTRE SCHOOL REWARDS PROGRAM

First Class Collection and Chance to win \$\$\$ for your class!!!

Remember to keep bringing in your **GREAT WESTERN SUPER CENTRE SHOPPING DOCKETS /RECEIPTS.**

Hand in dockets/receipts to your class teacher this week before Friday and your class could win **\$50**. There is a **total of \$250** to be awarded to classes during Term 2.

The dockets will be taken to the Centre to add to our total collection and give PRSS the **chance to win \$10,500** worth of school resources.

Let's give it our best shot Payne Road and remember those purchase receipts !!!

Don't forget friends and family are also able to contribute their dockets/receipts

for further information on this School Rewards Program please contact Karen Galligan at galligan1@bigpond.com

2008 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

LAST OPPORTUNITY TO BUY!!! ALL UNSOLD BOOKS WILL BE RETURNED ON THURSDAY, 31/07/08.

The 2008/2009 Entertainment Book is packed with hundreds of valuable offers from many restaurants, cafes, arts, sports, movies and holiday destinations.

If you would like to purchase a book, please contact Angela Butler on XXXX XXXX, or email payneroad@bigpond.com, no later than WEDNESDAY 30/07/07, 8:00pm. The Entertainment Book costs \$60.00 and can be paid for by cash, cheque, or credit card.

\$12.00 from each book sold is donated to the school.

Angela Butler, c/o P&C Fundraising Committee

ART SHOW 2008

UPDATE # 3 - Issue 3 of the "Payne Fully Arty" art show update came out this week. You will note our requests for volunteers continues and anyone who can help is asked to please email their details to payneroad@bigpond.com. We particularly need raffle ticket sellers and borrowed usage of rice and slow cookers.

TICKET ORDERS – Today you should receive your art show ticket order forms. These need to be pre-purchased for catering purposes. Completed forms with payment can be returned to the school office by **Friday, 22 August.**

ALL ARE WELCOME at the next fundraising meeting from **7pm this Wednesday, 30/7/08**, in the school staff room (across from the office).

Thank you

PRSS Fundraising Committee

FATHERS' DAY STALL

This year's Fathers' Day stall will be held on **Wednesday, 3 September**. If you are available to help on the stall please contact Louise Dowie-Bridges on XXXX XXXX or via email ldowiebridges@optusnet.com.au

PRSS Fundraising Committee

TUCKSHOP

Chicken & Corn soup is no longer available.

Apple Slinky machines are available for \$30. Please complete the order form in this newsletter & return together with payment to either the office or tuckshop.

ROSTER

Thursday Tuckshop 31 July

Angela Butler, Emma Clarkson, Alex Cruickshank, Jean Wight

Tuesday Tuckshop 5 August

Tanya Alcock, Deanne Limpus, Faye Holmes

Lois (Tuckshop Convenor)

COMMUNITY NOTICES

LADIES - Want to get fit. **Healthy Inspirations**, women's weight loss and exercise centre, Mitchelton, is offering all mums at Payne Road School a **FREE 7 DAY TRIAL EXERCISE MEMBERSHIP**. Call now to get started - 33551149.

Student Exchange Australia

Host families needed for students from over 15 countries, arriving in Australia for 5 or 10 months from February 2009. See flyer in breezeway for further information.

Saints Softball Club

Softball is here and the Saints are looking for some players. Sign on - Saturday 2 August at Downey Park Windsor 11.00 - 2.00pm. For further information see flyer in breezeway.

Waratahs Softball/TBall

Sign on 9 August & 10 August Pine Rivers Community Hall, Dawson Pde Arana Hills 10 – 2pm both days. See Flyer in breezeway for further information.

COME'N TRY BASEBALL / SIGN ON with Windsor Royals Baseball Club Teeball (U8), Rookie Ball (U10), or Little League (U12) SUN AUG 10, 1pm to 3pm at 29 Market St, Newmarket in Spencer Park.

Register to play the 2008/2009 season from 12-4pm Aug 10 & Aug 16. Enquiries: celia_lamond@mac.com Ph: 3367 8507

Basketball Queensland Presents '3 on 3' Basketball Tournaments!

Sunday 28 September 2008

Vince Hickey Stadium - Auchenflower

Under 16 and Under 18 Boys & Girls Visit www.bq33.com.au or call 3377 9100

Louise

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S POINTS

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Congratulations to the following students for their hard work and good attitude:

6/7 CJ

Eliza C For fantastic work and research in her SOSE Book

5G

Daniel J For a great attitude towards his school work throughout the week

Last week the names of a few students from 4/5/6H were accidentally omitted. They were:

Reiner C For a great effort on persuasive speech

Fletcher W For a great effort on persuasive speech

Mackenzie W For a great effort on persuasive speech

Sarah T For a great effort on persuasive speech

NATIONAL TREE DAY

Last Friday was National Tree Day. To celebrate this, students met in the undercover area at 8.15am and participated in the planting of two native trees. The trees that were planted were a "Davidson's Plum" and a "Jambos". Both trees produce an edible fruit and are therefore safe to have within the school grounds. There were quite a few students in attendance for the planting of these trees and through the Environment Club" we hope to be planting more in the near future.

Mark Johnstone