Hello parents, carers and friends,

The focus over these final weeks of Semester 1 is on the collection of work samples and data, from assessment, to inform student progress. The process of reporting on student progress involves many factors. The methodology for collecting this information has been the topic of many discussions not only within our school but among educators in Special Education programs and other Special Schools.

Last week, members of our administration team attended the state conference for Queensland Association of Special Education Leaders. This conference occurs once each year and is a wonderful opportunity to discuss matters of curriculum, assessment and reporting with our colleagues.

I am heartened to hear, through our discussions, that our school holds a place of comparable standing in the development of curriculum and assessment methodology amongst special education contexts. There is much discussion among our colleagues about tailoring the frameworks of the Australian Curriculum, including the extended General Capabilities, to meet the characteristics and learning needs of our students. Currently our teachers are working to document student progress through their reading levels, mathematical understanding and progress in both elective subjects and curriculum unit work. Our Head of Curriculum, Judy Clark and our Department leaders are currently working with teachers to assist them in this documentation process and to include as much data on the One School system (data base for Education Queensland).

The task of documenting student progress is not one that is achieved quickly and teachers are taking time in their deliberations to ensure that accurate information is recoded. Each semester teachers
meet to work through a moderation process. During this process student work is reviewed and progress discussed to ensure that students are being assessed on their individual progress. We are focusing on the development of skills and understanding for our students and encouraging them to strive for the next steps in reaching their goals.

As the verse included states, we are not asking our children to reach extraordinary heights. We are however guiding them through the most important of experiences that life has to offer and attaching meaning to these experiences through our teaching and learning episodes. Our students’ lives are filled with much to discover and our role is to assist them in reaching their potential. It is with this charter in mind that we continue our processes of teaching and learning and assessment.

This week also I thank James, JP, Jahkobi, Royden under the guidance of Will and Brad for their work in developing another beautiful garden area in our school. This one is along the walkway as you pass by M Block. Thank you for putting your Horticulture knowledge and skills into practice!

Until next time, please take good care of yourself and your family,

Beth Devonshire

Deputy Principal's Parent Patch

School students are not to arrive before 8:30am as there are no staff on duty until this time. There is a risk for your children if they injure themselves during this time, as to who is responsible.

If your child rides a bike, skateboard or scooter to school, they are to walk once they are inside school grounds. Bikes are to be locked up and skateboards/scooters are to be handed in for the day to keep them secure during school hours and collected again at the end of the day, to travel home.

Personal phones, ipads, tablets and electronic equipment should be limited at school, as school will provide the necessary equipment for lessons. Some students have clearly indicated in their Individual Learning Plans that they require these devices for communication purposes and therefore are allowed to use these during school hours, staff are aware of which students this applies to.

The risk of bringing in toys, electronic devices and other personal items is that your child’s property may be damaged by someone accidently or there is a security issue with the device.

Nicole Coady - Deputy Principal
Catching Up With Curriculum

“All students are entitled to rigorous, relevant and engaging learning programs drawn from a challenging curriculum that addresses their individual learning needs.” (ACARA)

As we draw closer to the end of the semester students are working towards consolidating and demonstrating their learning within rich learning environments both inside and outside of the classroom.

Classes have transformed their classrooms into learning environments that are open, respectful and caring providing varied opportunities for students to experience and engage in the curriculum.

Judy Clark - A/Head of Curriculum

P-2 Department News

Under Eights Week

On Tuesday morning 3 June the weather was sunny and warm. Just right for our P-2 Under Eights Week morning rotations. This year's theme *Everyone Can Play* is reflective of the recognition of the way children learn.
Thank you to our specialist teacher Andrew for his musical leadership at our Music Sensory Tree.

Thank you to our 4 Occupational Therapy student volunteers for supporting each student to create and decorate a musical instrument and to experience Messy Sensory Play.

Thank you to Chantel our Practice Teacher volunteer for supporting student engagement in Party Games. Truly a fun morning!

Jewel Bauer - P-2 Department Leader

3-6 Department News

“If you have good thoughts, they will shine out of your face like sun beams and you will always look lovely.” – Roald Dahl.

There is so much to be said about the concept of focusing on the good in others and in our own situations. Sometimes that can be difficult in the rush of the day but I am sharing a website with teachers and students at the moment in 3-6 on the ‘FabFirst5’. It’s about taking the first 5 minutes of the day, whether at home or at school to focus your thinking on something positive. There is a brilliant website to support this thinking www.aforattitude.com.au.

There is an app that can be downloaded titled ‘FabFirst5’ that visually supports this concept for children. I encourage you to check it out and as we lead up to school holidays consider using some of these concepts with your child to help reduce anxiety about changes in routine.

This week teachers are conducting assessments with students and the results that we have seen over this semester have been amazing. This will no doubt be reflected in your child’s report to come out at the end of this term.

I would particularly like to highlight the success of the swimming program this term. Six of the 3-6 Classes have been swimming with the remaining seven to attend in term 4. The students physical skills in this area have grown such a long way in such a short time. A special thanks to the teachers and teacher aides who have dived into the water with the students and to the instructor at the Burpengary Aquatic Centre.

Have a great week.

Amanda Turnbull - 3-6 Department Leader
Music Department News

SCHOOL CONCERT

A reminder to all in our school community that the Transition concert will be held on Thursday, June 26 at 6pm.

Notes will be coming home with students in the coming week with a permission slip attached.

Please take the time to fill out these slips and return to your classroom teacher.

These slips assist concert staff with approximate numbers for hall preparations and food preparation for the night.

The canteen will be open from 5 pm.

 Doors open at 6pm with concert to start immediately after.

See you there!

Andrew Keppie - Music Department Leader

Sports Department News

HPE – Our school being active and adventurous!

Students continue to show progress and build upon what they have been practising this year in HPE lessons. It is especially fantastic to see when things ‘click’ with certain students or when they show a hidden skill in new activities. New activities have included using balance discs for building balance, ankle and core strength.

Oz-tag Interschool Sport

Oztag at interschool sport continues to be a huge success! Students are grouped into three teams according to ability. The group that practices skills has been having lots of fun meeting students from other schools and playing games.

Date claimers

School Sports and Athletics Carnival – Tuesday 12 & Thursday 14 August

Woody Point Fun Run – Friday 12 September

Duke of Ed Program - Noosa Special Triathlon Camp – 30 October to 1 November.

Ben Byrne - Sports Department Leader
## Student Awards

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## P&C News

**P&C Meeting – 6.00pm 22 July 2014**

P&C – Uniform Shop

The New Stock of School Jackets have arrived. Price is $40 each. Uniform order forms are available on the school website. Uniform Shop is open Wednesdays 9 – 10 am. Thank you.

The school Parent Liaison Officer Kylie Stretton will be available every Tuesday from 9am to 11am commencing next Tuesday in the P&C room to assist any parent in connecting with local services available. Kylie is happy to discuss and offer advice where she can.

Vicki Long - P&C Secretary

Student Services News

Every second Friday student services has offered an alternative lunch program for student rewards. Students who have achieved their classroom rewards have the opportunity to participate in a mini disco or board game challenge in the student services room. The students decide together on which activities they would like as part of their special lunchtime. As the year progresses we are hoping to include sporting, drawing and creativity competitions for the group.

Michael Catchlove - Student Services

Dates To Remember

- Junior Assembly 8.50am Thursday 19 June
- Senior Assembly 8.50am Thursday 26 June
- Transition Concert Thursday 26 June @ 6pm
- Last Day Of Term 2 Friday 27 June
- First Day Of Term 3 Monday 14 July

Caboolture My Time
We are very excited to announce that the Federal Government has extended the MyTime funding to the end of 2014. Thank you for all your support.

Date:          17 June 2014

Session:  Morning Tea and Inspiration Boards

Time:         9.30am - 11.00am

Location:  Caboolture Special School, Torrens Road, Caboolture

For more information or RSVP please contact: Rachael Fedrick, the MyTime Facilitator

Phone: 0410 492 181 Email: mytimecaboolture@yahoo.com.au

Sensory Movie Day

sensormovieday@hotmail.com

June

“Sensory EXPO”

Starts at noon in the foyer of the cinema, We invite lots of Service providers who come and let you know what help and support is available, heaps of resources

“The Lego Movie”

Emmet, an ordinary, rules-following, perfectly average LEGO minifigure is mistakenly identified as the most extraordinary person and the key to saving the world. He is drafted into a fellowship of strangers on an epic quest to stop an evil tyrant, ... More a journey for which

2pm Sunday 22 June

July

“Rio 2”

1. It's a jungle out there for Blu, Jewel and their three kids in RIO 2, after they're hurtled from a magical city to the wilds of the Amazon. As Blu tries to fit in, he goes beak-to-beak with the vengeful Nigel, and meets the most fearsome adversary of all - his father-in-law.
**August**

**“The Muppets Most Wanted”**

Muppets gang on a global tour, selling out grand theaters in some of Europe’s most exciting destinations. But mayhem follows the Muppets overseas, as they find themselves unwittingly entangled in an international crime caper headed by Constantine—the World’s Number One Criminal and a dead ringer for Kermit—and his dastardly sidekick Dominic.

2pm Sunday 27th July

**“How To Train Your Dragon 2”**

Set in the mythical world of burly Vikings and wild dragons, the action comedy tells the story of Hiccup, a Viking teenager who doesn’t exactly fit in with his tribe’s longstanding tradition of heroic dragon slayers. Hiccup’s world is turned upside down when... More he encounters a dragon that challenges he and his fellow Vikings to see the world from an entirely different point of view.

2pm Sunday 17th August

**“Sensory EXPO” noon**

**September**

**“Tinkerbell The Pirate fairy”**

Zarina, a smart and ambitious dust-keeper fairy who’s captivated by Blue Pixie Dust and its endless possibilities. When Zarina’s wild ideas get her into trouble, she flees Pixie Hollow and joins forces with the scheming pirates of Skull Rock, who make her captain of their ship. Tinker Bell and her friends must embark on an epic adventure to find Zarina, and together they go sword-to-sword with the band of pirates led by a cabin boy named James, who’ll soon be known as Captain Hook himself.

2pm Sunday 14th September

**October**

**“Planes Fire & Rescue”**

is a new comedy-adventure about second chances. When world famous air racer Dusty learns that his engine is damaged and he may never race again, he must shift gears and is launched into the world of aerial firefighting. Dusty joins forces with veteran fire and rescue helicopter Blade Ranger and his courageous team.

2pm Sunday 26th October

**November**

**December**

“Sensory EXPO” noon
Starts at noon in the foyer of the cinema. We invite lots of Service providers who come and let you know what help and support is available, heaps of resources

“Sensory Movie” 2pm

We wanted to finish our year with a new movie so we will let you know closer to the time... so stay tuned

Santa & Mrs Claus

After the Sensory Screening Santa & Mrs Claus will be handing out presents to every child

Sunday 7th December

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Tuckshop News

Taste on Torrens tuckshop program has produced a new tuckshop menu commencing this term.

The menu now includes pictures for students so they are able to recognise the food they are choosing to order from tuckshop.

**A new way of ordering tuckshop:**

All families will receive a Menu and 2 different coloured order forms.

The **green** order form is for morning tea orders only.

The **pink** order form is for lunch orders only.

**Please return only the completed forms you need to use and return with payment to the classroom.**

The menu has all the food options and prices. Each classroom has a secured tuckshop bag which is sent to the tuckshop each morning (Wednesday and Thursday)

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