Hello parents, carers and friends,

This week our school has commemorated Remembrance Day.

We were fortunate to have with us Lieutenant Adrian Broadbent from the Australian Army Shock and Trauma Platoon among our special guests.

The ceremony focussed around the education for our school students of the significance of Remembrance Day in our community. We owe a special thanks to Adrian for taking the time to come to our school in his professional role and explain to the students the significance of the day. Our school captains laid a wreath in our ANZAC garden and senior school students read from the text: “Flanders Fields” led by their teacher Craig Abrahamson.

A very special follow on from this ceremony was the presentation of the school’s inaugural Mateship Award to one of our graduating students. This award recognizes a student who demonstrates the following qualities:

Trustworthy, supportive of peers and others, compassionate, an advocate for others, tolerant, positive attitude, resilient, friendly, considerate and responsible.

The student who received this inaugural award is Dallas T who is pictured here with his mother and younger brother, Lt. Adrian Broadbent and I. We congratulate Dallas and thank Corporal Dan Heslop who earlier this year gave us a special gift of a plaque and American flag which was given to him by the Blackhawk helicopter crew with whom he served in Afghanistan. This gift now lives in our school through the Mateship Award.

We also congratulate the graduating students on their senior school camp this past week and thank the school staff including, Melissa, Rhonda, Will, Aaron, Troy, Ben, Bronwyn, Brad for their support and care of the students over the past three days. The camp was a great success with all students doing: stand-up or sit or lie down paddle boarding, enjoying the surf and many other activities that all teenagers love to be involved in.
In the meantime all our students are working hard in their work across the curriculum with much data and assessment information being collected on their progress. Our teaching staff are currently involved in this assessment process and recording of data onto One School in preparation for end of semester reporting.

I look forward to seeing members of our school community at the graduation ceremony next Wednesday night.

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

Beth Devonshire - Principal

Deputy Principal

Hello again to our parents, carers and community members,

I wanted to take this chance to highlight the importance of regular school attendance.

**Why is regular attendance at school important?**

Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every day.

- They learn better
- They make friends
- They are happier
- They have a brighter future

**Why must I send my child to school?**

Under Queensland law, you must make sure your child of school age is enrolled and attends school all day, every school day unless they have an acceptable reason. Illness, doing work experience or competing in a school sporting event are acceptable reasons for being absent from school.

Principals decide if the reason given for a child’s absence is acceptable.

**Avoid keeping your child away from school for:**

- Birthdays, shopping, visiting family and friends, if they sleep in, looking after other children, minor check-ups or care such as haircuts.

**Being away from school for 1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much BUT…**

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|          | week        | year       |              |         |                                |
| 1 day a   | 40 days a   | 8 weeks a  | Over years   | 2.5     | Equal to finishing in year 10  |
| week      | year        | year       |              |         |                                |
| 2 days a  | 80 days a   | 16 weeks a | Over 5 years |         | Equal to finishing in year 7   |
| week      | year        | year       |              |         |                                |
| 3 days a  | 120 days a  | 24 weeks a | Nearly years | 8       | Equal to finishing in year 4   |
| week      | year        | year       |              |         |                                |

Brad Tavelardis - Deputy Principal

Catching up with Curriculum

The context of this semester’s English Unit was Short Stories. Students have viewed, read, listened to, and interacted with short stories. As part of their assessment students have developed characters and composed their own short story.

These have been created, published and displayed in many different forms.

This is just some of their amazing work!

Judy Clark - Head of Curriculum

P-2 Department News

P-2 staff and students are to be congratulated for the wonderful displays of student learning in readiness for the recent in-coming 2015 parent orientation days. The parents who visited J and M blocks were very impressed. I’d like to take this opportunity to thank Rene, Marnie and Gemma for providing the programs for the student induction days. These two visits support a smooth transition for next year for these new children to our Early Years Department.

Our Curriculum successes and celebrations this week are as follows:

- SCIENCE - P-2G are learning and understanding about Translucent, Transparent and Opaque.
- ENGLISH – All P-2A students have completed beautiful stories on Clicker6. They have had lots of fun using the puppets they made to help retell the stories. P-2H students are creating their own stories using familiar and unfamiliar topics.
• LITERACY – P-2E students have been completing some excellent creative texts and using their skills in recording the day’s events.

• HISTORY - P-2C students Tryin and Cassidy have been very engaged in creating a display of their families.

• FUNCTIONAL LIVING SKILLS CONTINUUM - P-2D students are making jam or vegemite sandwiches with lessening support and demonstrating great waiting for a turn. Well done everyone!

This term P-2 are involved in swimming programs. Our first group of students will complete their lessons on Wednesday 26 November and our remaining students will have their first lesson on Monday 24 November at St. Peter’s Aquatic Centre. P-2I and P-2B students are really enjoying swimming at the Aspley Hydrotherapy Pool. Thank you so much to the parents who have signed up as volunteers for these swimming programs. Your help is invaluable and very much appreciated! If there are any more parents who would like to help out please make contact with your class teacher. The next volunteer induction meeting will be at 10a.m, Friday 14 November.

Jewel Bauer - P-2 Department Leader

3-6 Department News

"It may be hard for an egg to turn into a bird. It would be a jolly sight harder for a bird to learn to fly while remaining an egg. We are like eggs at present. And you can cannot go on indefinitely being just an egg. We must be hatched or go bad." - C.S Lewis

Transition and change can be challenging but it is inevitable in order for growth to occur. I think we all agree that growth is something we desire for our children. To assist with preparing children for change we recently had a fantastic morning welcoming the year 2 students into our year 3 classrooms. There will be another transition morning happening over the coming weeks. If you have a student moving from year 2 into year 3 or year 6 into year 7 we invite you to talk with us about what the new year will hold so that the the more information you have and we have the better prepared your child will be.

The holidays are also fast approaching and I'm already preparing a list of things to do with my young one. To help I have discovered a great Facebook page called "Brisbane Kids". This page and website regularly put up free "to do" activities for parents and kids that are located all over Brisbane. There is also a great list of parks and what they have to offer listed on this site. Well worth checking out as you plan holidays.

Amanda Turnbull - 3-6 Department Leader

Well its week 6 already. Time flies when you’re having fun and learning lots. Students are busily finishing off their term projects and assessment pieces ready for reports. It’s so rewarding to see the progress that the students have made.

Students from 3-6 Department have also been participating in an AFL program every Thursday afternoon. People from AFL Queensland come in a run a 30 minute clinic teaching the students skills such as how to pass, kick and catch an AFL football. Thank you to the 7-9 Department for letting some of our 3-6 students join in.
Last Friday was the school disco, it was brilliant to see all the students of 3-6 letting their hair down and having some fun after all their hard work this year. Thank you to the parents/carers who attended the disco with their child.

Next week we are looking forward to meeting our new students coming to our school in 2015. Students will work, meet and greet students and teachers currently working in the 3-6 Department. We are very excited about meeting our new class mates.

We look forward to the next few weeks as we work towards the end of the year. It’s been an action filled year and we all look forward to a relaxing and safe summer holidays in 4 weeks.

Trina Chandler  - 3-6 Department

HPE Department News (Health & Physical Education)

HPE – Our school being active and adventurous!

Swimming and AFL continues to be keeping many classes busy. Another new addition are 9 scooters and knee/elbow/wrist guards that were purchased with Federal Government “Active After-Schools Communities” funding. Students Kyle and Chris helped evaluate the scooters suitable for the school and Joey, Dan, Andrew, Tony and Zac helped put them together. Students are showing great skill and balance in completing the different drills and activities set out for them.

Chris, Kyle and Ben evaluating which scooters to buy.

The boys that assembled the scooters!

Thanks fellas!

Tourell in full safety gear.

Chris and Peter riding the scooter course near the back oval.

Noosa Special Triathlon, Noosa Breakfast 5km Fun Run and Camp Success!
Our 24 student Duke of Edinburgh Program Triathlon Team went on a 3 day camp to Noosa to prepare for and participate in the Noosa Special Triathlon. We looked amazing in our Triathlon Team shirts, very kindly sponsored by Ace Buses. Thank you Ace Buses for your generosity and support on the day!

Based in the Noosa Hinterland, the group prepared by swimming in the pool and dancing up a storm at a joint Halloween themed disco with Maryborough Special School. The next day, they rode between 3km and 10km at Mudjimba Beach, before swimming again in the ocean. The Team joined in the Noosa Tri Festival activities by watching the fireworks and dancing on Noosa’s main beach on Friday night.

Up at 4.30am on Saturday morning, the group met their buddies at the Noosa River and achieved wonderful personal bests in completing the 50m swim, 3km cycle and 500m run. As they crossed the finish line, they were awarded their medals by celebrity sportsmen Ky Hurst (Ironman), Ben Hannant (Cowboys) and Steve Monaghetti (Marathon). With 24 students, 24 buddies and staff and family support, Caboolture Special had around 70 people enjoying the fun morning and welling with enormous pride in the achievements of our students. Most special for me, was seeing the students’ own pride in finishing a triathlon, enjoying the process and impressing the broader community with their ability to shown determination and achieve great things!

This year, four young men also set a goal to challenge themselves further by competing in the Noosa Breakfast 5km Fun Run to support breast cancer research and support fundraising. The boys trained hard and really enjoyed being part of a community event that tested their stamina. With a race plan in hand, they ran down Hastings St Noosa and then back along Noosa Main Beach, before finishing in a park. They were told that they were leading the way for our school for others to follow in the future. In their P&C sponsored “representative school team” shirts, they represented our school well and even got a shout out from the event announcers!

Our students are awesome and never cease to amaze! They are a source of immense pride!

Our community is also awesome with their support! They too are a source of great pride!

Our staff, both on camp and at school, are tireless! Thank you team! (A special thanks to Kaye for the amazing food on camp!)

A special thank you to the families of our staff, who also make great efforts to support our camps by manning the fort at home.
Music Department News

P-2 CONCERT 2014

With the end of year approaching it's time to enjoy our final concert for the year and this time it is our wonderful P-2 department who will be taking the stage to entertain us all.

The theme for this concert is “Imagine”. Each act will present a scene from their collective imaginations. Costumes, props, dancing, songs and frocks will all add to the visual spectacle.

Our talented P-2 students have all been working hard to learn their parts and this concert promises to be not just the cutest but also the most dazzling concert of the year, so come along and enjoy the show!

Andrew Keppie - Music Department
When: Thursday 4 December

Time: 6pm

Where: School Hall

Taste on Torrens will be open for light refreshments from 5pm

Student Services News

STRATEGIES FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION WITH CHILDREN

* Play and work together with your child * Let them know they are special and loved * Encourage, praise (be descriptive about what it is they are doing or saying that this is appropriate), reward your child (the best rewards cost no money – quality time, going to the park, reading a book together etc) * Give clear, simple truthful information in words the young person can understand and simply share your own thoughts and feelings when appropriate * Tell your child it is okay to feel sad, angry or cry. Tell them they are entitled to their feelings but are responsible for what they say and do *

HOW TO ENHANCE SELF-ESTEEM

* Believe you are an ok person * Like yourself and make the most of your good points * Join in with others * Be willing to have a go at something new – if nothing changes, nothing changes * Set yourself short term goals *

Nicole Coady - Student Services Department Leader

Tuckshop News

EXCITING NEWS FROM THE TUCKSHOP

You can now order and pay for your Tuckshop through Flexischools! Paying for school lunches is now safer and hassle free.

You can use your computer or iPhone for this safe & secure, cash free, hassle free system.

All you have to do is register online at flexischools.com.au to get started.

A new menu has been sent home with updated items & prices.

If you have any questions or would like help to register online please don’t hesitate to contact the school Business Services Manager or Kaye from the Tuckshop.

Student Awards

P-2A  Ant

P-2B  Akarsha
School Captain Awards

Trina, Nicole R, Sharon P, Marie-Jo

Morayfield Lioness Club Awards

Coen, Aryton

Community News

Asperger Services Australia

*ASD support group meetings are held once a month at the University of the Sunshine Coast.*

**DATE:** 01-12-14

**TIME:** 6.00pm - 7.30pm

*For enquiries please call USC Psychology Clinic on (07) 5459 4514*

Bribie Island Family Fun Day

You're invited to join us playing beach sports and enjoying a sausage sizzle at Woorim Beach, Bribie Island.

Avegates recognises that families are very busy these days, and often find little time to meet new friends and support networks.
With this in mind, we would like to invite you and your family to this fun day at Bribie Island where we can chat, learn more, make new friends and have heaps of fun!

What: Avegates Family Fun Day

Date: 6th December 2014

Time: 10am

Where: Woorim Beach Park, Bribie Island

RSVP: 1st December 2014. Please let us know for BBQ lunch purposes.

Nick Martin 0428 877 504

Kelli Morris 0498 847 099 or email scsocialsupport@multicap.org.au

Sensory Santa

Sensory Santa is for families with special needs, bookings only so no lines or queues. No background music, before Shopping Centre's trading hours and an understanding Photographer and Santa.

*Book now or you may miss out as there are only limited places.*

**Westfield Chermside** Sunday 9 November 8am - 10am to book contact Chanelle 0422 416 509

**Westfield Strathpine** Sunday 16 November 9am - 9.45am to book contact 3817 9601

**Morayfield Shopping Centre** Sunday 14 December 9am - 11am to book contact Chanelle

0422416 509

P&C News

P&C Meeting – 6.00pm 9 December 2014

**P&C – Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop is open Wednesdays 9 – 10 am. Uniform order forms are available on the school website.

A reminder to all students that Tuesdays are School Banking Day.

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.

**Christmas Hamper Raffle**

The end of year is almost here and we will be holding our final raffle for the year. A book of 5 Christmas Raffle tickets will be sent home early next week. They will be $1 each and the raffle will be drawn during intermission at...
the P-2 Concert on the 4 December. Tickets will be available for sale on the night with P&C members outside the hall from 4.30pm.

To help make this as successful as possible and raise as much for our students as we can we would like to ask for donations of non perishable products that can be put into hampers. Tins, toys, books, Christmas decoration, toiletries, store gift vouchers anything you and your family would like to win in a raffle would be wonderful. We would ask that anything you can donate be sent into the school before Wednesday 26 November to allow the members of the P&C time to sort them into beautiful hampers for the raffle and that all tickets be returned to the school sold or unsold by Monday 1 December.

Volunteering Opportunities

As you can see both of these events will need a fair bit of volunteer hours and the more hands we have the less everyone needs to do. If you are available to help with the book sale during the times or would like to help with the raffle on the night Thursday 4 December or the Wednesday 3 December in the morning to sort out the tickets we would appreciate your help. Please contact Debbie on 0438543626.

School News

*Transport forms are coming home to every student in the school across Term 4. Please look out for these and return them ASAP to ensure your student receives their School Transport.*

**BOOK FAIR**

**BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE**

Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school with a *Buy One Get One Free!* This special event offers a great opportunity for you to receive a second book of equal or lesser value *FREE.*

**Date:** Monday 17, Wednesday 19, Friday 21 November

**Time:** 9.30am - 1.00pm

**Where:** Resource Centre

Dates To Remember

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Sensory Movie Day
November

“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 16th 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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