Principal's Message

Hello parents, carers and friends,

Thank you to those parents and carers who have already responded to the School Opinion Survey

The department’s State Schools Division seeks to obtain the opinions of parents/caregivers, students and school staff about important aspects of schooling. The survey is designed to help schools identify what they do well and what they can improve. This survey is still open and closes on 03 August 2014.

Please return your letter to school so a log in and password can be given to you to complete the survey.

This year the School Opinion Survey is only available on line. In September, the preliminary school results will be released in OneSchool. In November, the final school results will be released in OneSchool. The information from the School Opinion Survey is used in the School Annual Report to demonstrate progress across various aspects of schooling. I thank you for your participation in this very valuable survey.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

Over the past semester our school staff have been involved in moving forward in the SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT program. This program
focusses on the students who are coming to school each day and displaying positive behaviours towards their learning, interactions with others and themselves. The three school expectations are:

**RESPECT FOR SELF**

**RESPECT FOR OTHERS**

**RESPECT FOR LEARNING**

School Sports Days

Our school Sports Days are quickly approaching and our students have been practising for the events.

I have been fortunate this past week to have practised a little running with the Transition students. They are keen to improve their times over distances and are improving their fitness levels. Some of these students are training for the Sunshine Coast Marathon on 31 August. Compass Inc. (a post school program provider) has organized a 2km Fun Run within the Marathon events and we already have students keen to participate. This event, our school sports Days on 12 and 14 August, the Fun Run at Woody Point on 12 September and the training for the Noosa Triathlon are all excellent examples of how our students participate in community events. I commend all students on their training efforts and look forward to joining them and their families in these events.

We welcome all families to come along and see the ever increasing abilities of our students in the community.

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

Beth Devonshire

Deputy Principal's Parent Patch

**SWPBS 4:1 Interactions**

In School Wide Positive Behaviour Support, the focus is on positive interactions. At Caboolture Special School, the staff are working hard to implement the 4:1 strategy. This means that for every negative statement or correction given, teachers should follow this up with 4 positive interactions or praise for 4 students who are doing the right thing.

For example if the teacher needs to correct a child who is running around the classroom, they would then acknowledge 4 students who are walking safely or following one of the other classroom rules. Also across the day, we need to make
sure that students are receiving 4 positive interactions for every 1 correction of their behavior.

Research shows that this is the perfect ratio of interactions to build strong relationships and self-esteem in young people. This is also applicable to family situations. It is an interesting process to keep a tally of your interactions with your child to see if you are hitting the 4:1 ratio and take note if this makes a difference to your family relationships, behaviours and parent stress levels.

Bronwyn Paxton - Deputy Principal

Catching up with Curriculum

Our students are again participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. What a great way to celebrate reading!

*The Premier’s Reading Challenge aims to improve literacy and encourage children to read widely for pleasure and learning. Reading plays an important part in students lives during their school years and beyond. It allows children to actively engage their imagination and opens up a world of educational opportunities.*

Since 2006 the Premier’s Reading Challenge has aimed to improve literacy and encourage children to engage in reading for learning and pleasure.

Judy Clark - A/Head of Curriculum

7-9 Department News

Department 7-9 students who are members of Natalie and Lydia’s Reading Group have been enjoying the opportunity of Learning Outside of School. Every Monday morning the class go by school bus to the Caboolture Library. The students of the class Nat, Chris, Joey, Ali, Dan and Kyle all look forward to the outing and having access to a whole range of different resources. When asked what his favourite part of going to the library was Nat replied, “I like how there is so much information in there on all sorts of things about real life”.

There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book. —Frank Serafini

Natasha Reeve - 7-9 Department

Transition Department News

At My Desk: With Lei and Simone

Lei: My First Day at the Day Care Centre

“I worked in the Nursery for the children who are 6 months-2 years’ old. It was way better than school!

I liked making the babies and little kids smile. One baby kept calling me ‘mum’.

I liked playing with the playdough and singing nursery rhymes with the kids.

The ladies were nice to work with.

I am looking forward to working with the junior kindy kids or preschool kids next week.”

Simone: My First Day at the Day Care Centre

“I worked with the Junior kindy kids who are 2-3 years’ old.

It was awesome. I made a new best friend!

I liked it better than working in hospitality. But I still like hospitality.

I am looking forward to going back next Wednesday.

I had fun walking the kids through the obstacle course in the playground.

How great do these girls look and how proud are we of their first day of work experience! Many thanks to the marvellous efforts of Peter, Katrina, Melissa and Sharen who worked together to make this happen.
Vocational Technical Education News

Vocational Technical Education VTE Program

Thinking of things to do? Why not Volunteer? There are many places where you can volunteer. Members of the Caboolture Radio Club volunteer to resource our students at our school. On Saturday 30 and Sunday 31 August members of this club are volunteering their time to resource the 2014 Maleny Trail Bike Ride at Conondale.

If you are interested in what to do when you are not at school think about helping others or volunteering. The Caboolture Historical Village is a great place to visit and volunteer. There are also many others.

Regards,

Peter Allen - VTE Co-ordinator

Resource Department News

iPad Apps for student Communication

During Term Two, we were able to purchase 20 licences for the communication app ‘Proloquo2Go’. This was made possible through funding provided to promote the development of literacy skills in our students under the Great Results Guaranteed Program. The resource centre is in charge of providing both the apps and the school iPads to facilitate the development of communication skills in our school in consultation with speech therapists.

A number of our students already had the app on personal iPads, but others have not had this opportunity. The teachers are developing skills to enhance student communication skills using the program and to develop student communication and literacy skills particularly in non verbal students.
This has opened a whole new world of opportunity to look into the minds of students who, for one reason or another could not use their voices to communication. Along with this has come the understanding that while we may wish for all our students to speak with their voices, it can sometimes inhibit the development of other communications skills which are just as valid.

Two of our students showed me their developing communications skills and even their unique sense of humour. Thank you Cath and Helen for sharing your students with me.

Inger Altermatt - Resource Department Leader

News From Our Guidance Officer

Guidance Matters

Are you looking for support for your student who is aged 12 years and older? If you are, you may like to contact headspace, at Redcliffe.

headspace are part of the National Youth Mental Health Foundation and they help young people through tough times.

headspace Redcliffe offers support in four key areas:

- Mental health
- Physical/Sexual health
- Alcohol and other drug services
- Education and employment services

headspace do this by providing free access to private practitioners, including psychologists, occupational therapists, social workers and even their very own General Practitioner!

headspace are open from 9.00am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday and young people can refer themselves by either walking in, phoning or emailing us. They can also ask family, a friend, a teacher, doctor, or someone close to them to make the referral on their behalf.

Contact Us: Phone 3897 1897

or email headspace.redcliffe@openminds.org.au

or see their website headspace.org.au

Autism Queensland – Have you had a chance to look at Autism Queensland’s website? Recently I looked at their website and found that they offer an impressive
range of support options for both the child and their families. Phone 3273 0000 to speak with someone who can provide a comprehensive range of specialised services and support for children and adults with ASD and their families.

PH: 3273 0000

www.autismqld.com.au

Melissa Theiss - Guidance Officer

(Available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday)

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.

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

A flyer has been sent home with your child for further information.

An updated “Taste on Torrens” tuckshop menu was sent home last with new items and prices. This new price list took effect from Wednesday 30 July 2014.

Student Awards

7-9E   Tourell
7-9G   Reika, Kyle, Michael
7-9I   Craig, Kristina
7-9J   Zac, Jackson
TRB    Ty
TRD    James, Jahkobi, Kalique
TRE    Steven, Dylan, Dallas, Steven, Jesse
TRF    Angus
TRG    Georgia, Lyndsay, Jade, Lei, Rebecca
Principal Awards
Daria, Jake C, Lei

School Captain Awards
Carolyn De Silva, Rhonda Fletcher, Brad Tavelardis

P&C News

P&C Meeting – 6.00pm 12 August 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.

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Bunnings 17th August - We still need two more helpers in the afternoon from about 11am onwards (until about 3pm and then clean up).

Masters 24th August: We have two people happy to help for the afternoon shift so I only need two or three more to assist with the morning shift on this date.

Please contact Louise Catton on email lcmcatton@gmail.com

Thanking you all in advance.

Vicki Long - P&C Secretary

Dates To Remember

Ekka Show Day 11 August
Sports Day 12 & 14 August
Caboolture Special School Newsletter

Book Parade 15 August
Art Show 28 August
Bike-A-Thon 6 September
Woody Point Fun Run 12 September
School Concert 3-6 18 September
Warehouse Shopping Tour - P&C Fundraiser 18 October

Caboolture My Time

Date: Tuesday 12 August 2014
Session: Pampering & Photo Shoot Time: 9.30am - 1.30am
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

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 17th August

September

“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 14th September

October

“Tinkerbell The Pirate fairy”

Zarina, a smart and ambitious dust-keeper fairy who’s captivated by Blue Pixie Dust and its end 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 b of pirates led by a cabin boy named James, who’ll soon be known as Captain Hook himself.

2pm Sunday 26th October

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 Rang 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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Help your teen reach their career goals!

Get involved with our School Work Experience and Employment Training program (SWEET) for students with disability or learning support needs.

Through SWEET, students can:

• Prepare for getting a job after school
• Learn vital pre-employment skills
• Gain work experience

Want more info? Contact us today!

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