Hello parents, carers and friends,

Welcome to the final term of school for 2014.

Already this term has begun with further professional development for our school staff.

The teacher aides in our school are continuing to attend fortnightly sessions whereby visiting advisory teaching staff members are discussing with them the characteristics of students with specific disabilities and strategies for working with these groups. This week the school had a visit from the Advisory Visiting Teacher for Autistic Spectrum Disorder.

This focussed on the difficulties that students may be experiencing in language / communication and movement.

Our teacher aides are particularly focussing this week on using strategies which incorporate:

- Their use of language
- Movement opportunities for students
- The use of visual cues
- The use of rewards

Careful use of structure to inform students ahead of time what is going to happen in their class.

At the same time, our teachers are continuing their focus on making Learning Goals very clear for students by displaying these in their classrooms and discussing these with students each day. A further focus of this work for this term, particularly, is that of giving feedback to students.

The following information may be useful for you:
Over this term we aim to improve the ways in which we give feedback to our students on how they are going in their learning goals. We can do this in a variety of ways: using digital technology to show students video or audio snapshots of their work, giving rewards or verbal feedback.

We all like to hear how we are going in our work or in developing a new skill and this is very important for our students so that they can celebrate their successes and move on to new goals.

Please do ask your child “What are you learning to do at school?” and then also ask “How are you going with that?” By asking these questions we are assisting our children to reflect on their learning and recall what they

![Image](image1.png)

What is effective feedback?

Effective feedback provides:
- **information** about what happened or was done
- an **evaluation** of how well or otherwise the action or task was performed
- **guidance** as to how performance can be improved

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

Beth Devonshire - Principal

**Deputy Principal**

It is wonderful to return to Caboolture Special School following my long service leave at the end of Term 3.

During my leave, I travelled with my family and I have returned feeling very grateful for our relaxed and tolerant lifestyle and community.

One thing that has hit home for me is the importance of respect for each individual’s situation, perspective and experiences and I was reminded constantly of our School Wide Positive Behaviour approach focusing on respect for learning, self and others.

As you would be aware, the entire school community has worked together to develop a matrix of behavioural expectations based on these 3 overarching statements. Our school staff have taken this one step further and we have developed a staff matrix that outlines statements for the ways in which we as Caboolture Special School staff members will conduct ourselves in our daily work and interactions.

The matrix guides the way that we, as a school staff, have decided we want to conduct ourselves within our teaching roles, in our meetings and group settings and in our interactions with our colleagues, our students and our parent community. These statements highlight the standards that we set for ourselves and demonstrate the regard we hold for ourselves as professionals of the highest standing.

![Matrix](matrix.png)
Bronwyn Paxton - Deputy Principal

Catching up with Curriculum

Welcome back to a very exciting Term 4. I hope you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday.

This term:

- In English students continue their work on developing characters and creating short stories.
- In History the focus is around myself, family and community important events.
- In science students are exploring and engaging in Physical sciences.

Judy Clark - Head of Curriculum

7-9 Department News

Welcome back to our final term of the school year. We look forward to a busy term filled with many exciting learning opportunities. Below I have pictured Kay’s 7-9 Literacy Group sharing a reading session with students from P-2 G. Students gain equally as much from each other sharing this time and really look forward to it.

We are very proud of our students being great role models to our younger students.

Natasha Reeve – 7-9 Department Leader

Transition Department News
At My Desk: With Jake, Tilly, Ashleigh and Friends

Jake loved joining his classmates for the Post School Options elective when Aaron and I took the group to Scarborough Park. It was really heart-warming to see the absolute joy on Jake’s face as he climbed the trees, enjoyed a BBQ lunch with his friends and mingled with the public.

Tilly and Ash were very excited to pat their new furry friend and didn’t want him to leave. Ashleigh was ‘over the moon’ with excitement as he relaxed in the sun and exclaimed that ‘this was the best day ever!’ Meanwhile, he wanted to fill up the camera with selfies!!

Tired and with full tummies and great memories, most of the students had a snooze on the way back to school except for Jesse, who continued to tell Aaron how much he appreciated the wonderful day – was that 15 times or did I lose count?

You can look forward to choosing electives and shaping your future destinations when you have reached the Senior Phase of Learning!

Colleen Griggs - Transition Department Leader

VTE Department News (Vocational Training Education)

During Term 3 Georgia successfully completed her work placement on East Coast Apprenticeships Star Program at the Burpengary Branch. She was learning new skills whilst in our office.

Georgia is congratulated for her enthusiasm, commitment and reliability as a participant of the Star Program and is commended for a job well done.
Resource Department News

New Resources

We are constantly building on our resource bank of books and hands on materials for the resource centre. Some of our newest items are a range of BIG BOOKS to aid student communication and oral language.

We have also added to our range of indigenous resources and currently have half of the range of Sharing our Stories an excellent resource packed with the stories from our communities about their lives and their stories. These are also BIG BOOKS.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have had some great help from staff to cover the books in our library, but we always need more help. If you have an hour or two, please come down into the Resource Centre to help us cover more books. Kerri is here to help you on Mondays to Thursday. Every little bit helps us and the students to access these marvellous resources.

Inger Altermatt - Resource Department

Guidance News

Guidance Matters

Are you being bullied?

Join our ‘SAY NO TO BULLYING’ group

You will learn skills to manage a bully and feel good about you!
WHO: Anyone aged 12-17

WHAT: Weekly for 5 weeks

WHEN: Wednesday afternoons 4-5pm: start date TBA

WHERE: Headspace Nundah

COST: FREE (with a current GP referral)

Is your son or daughter turning 16 this year?

If they are, then they are eligible to apply for the Disability Support Pension. To assist with this process, the school is able to provide information that you can take to Centrelink appointments.

If you would like the school to provide this information, please contact me by phoning the school, or by dropping in. Please contact me with your request before your child turns 16, it usually takes a few weeks to gather all necessary information.

Disability Services Queensland

Have you contacted Disability Services Queensland to see what services you and your child are able to access?

Phone 1800 177 120 or www.communities.qld.gov.au/disability

Melissa Thiess - Guidance Officer

(Available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday)

Community News

Asperger Services Australia

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

DATE: 13-10-14, 03-11-14, 01-12-14

TIME: 6.00pm - 7.30pm

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

Student Awards

7-9A Sam, Rhys, Andrew, Jamie, Corey
7-9B Peter, Sophie'e, Daria, Ben
7-9C Zac, Joey
7-9D Patricia, Chloe, Phoebe
7-9E Zac, Robbie
7-9F Connor, Dallas, Alan, Mitchell, Mitch, Jordan
7-9G Bradley, Zane, Michael
7-9H Jade, Peter, Chris
7-9I Krissy, Jason
7-9J Zac
TR-A Harry, David, Travis, Antony, Aaron
TR-B Eric, Simone, Chris, Jordan, Kayla, Ty, Chelsea, Taylor
TR-D Ollie, Patricia
TR-E Ashley, Dylan
TR-G Lei, Lyndsay, Rebecca, Georgia, Taliathia, Jade

WOODY POINT FUN RUN PLACE GETTERS
7-9D Phoebe
7-9G Zane
7-9H Chris
TR-D Jakhobi, Ryan
TR-E Steven
TR-G Lyndsay

SPORTS MEDALS
7-9A Sam C
7-9B Sam L, Peter
7-9C Ali
7-9G Cee Jay
7-9J Aaron, Adam

PREMIER READING CHALLENGE
7-9E Tourell
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 Business Services Manager or Kaye from the Tuckshop.

P&C News

P&C Meeting – 6.00pm 14 October 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.

**Dates To Remember**

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Transport forms are coming home to every student in the school across Term 3 & 4. Please look out for these and return them ASAP to ensure your student receives their School Transport.

"THE HAPPINESS CYCLE"

Get Your Ride On

Giving you an opportunity to earn yourself a brand new bike!

Attend the event at the Moreton Bay Morayfield Sports & Event Centre on 22 October 2014

REGISTER AT: www.happinesscycle.com.au

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Caboolture My Time

Date:        TO BE ADVISED
Session: TO BE ADVISED
Time: 9.30am - 12.30am
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

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Sensory Movie Day

sensormoveday@hotmail.com

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<td>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.</td>
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| November | “Planes Fire & Rescue” |

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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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