

2 August 2017

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

### Our Purpose

At Redbank State School we will deliver a clear and focussed curriculum to improve student learning outcomes with clear expectations of academic performance and student behaviour.

### School hours

First bell – 8:30am

School starts – 8:45am

School finishes – 2:45pm

When children arrive at school they are required to sit quietly on the seats under B Block.

### Principal Morning Tea

As part of our Raptor Rewards points, students who have earned and saved up 100 points can purchase a morning tea with the Principal. On Monday it was my great pleasure to host a Morning Tea for 18 of these students. I would like to thank the ladies from the tuckshop, Mrs Midgley, Mrs Bell, Mrs Patterson and Mrs Fouracre for providing the morning tea. Thanks to the P&C Association also for their support and for purchasing gifts for the students. Thanks to Mrs Orton for her coordination of this event. I am looking forward to being able to host many more of these morning teas in the future.



### NAIDOC Day

Last Thursday our students were involved in a range of activities to celebrate the Aboriginal and Islander culture. This was a fantastic day and special thanks to our staff who organised this day, especially Miss Gardner for her coordination. I received many positive comments from the students about the activities they were involved in. Thanks also to the entire staff for their efforts on the day and those families who joined us for lunch on the day.

### School Opinion Survey

Later this week, all families will receive an individual login to respond to our annual school opinion survey. I would encourage all families to take this opportunity to respond before the 25<sup>th</sup> of August, as this provides us with valuable information. The survey collects information from parents/caregivers, staff and students. If you do not have access to a computer or Internet, please contact me to organise a time to access the school computer lab.

### Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to 4AW who were awarded the Attendance Trophy in Week 2 of this term with a 93% attendance rate and 2/3LH who were awarded the Attendance Trophy in Week 3 of this term with a 93% attendance rate.

### Absences

All student absences that are 'unexplained' will be followed up by a phone call to parents/caregivers on the day. Please contact the school to notify us of the reason your child is absent **every** day that they are absent. You can also send a note with a sibling, email the school on [absent@redbankss.eq.edu.au](mailto:absent@redbankss.eq.edu.au) or call on 3381 4111. Parents/caregivers will be contacted each morning regarding any unexplained absences to check that your child is safe. It is important that children are at school every day and it's not okay to be late!

Cheers,  
Craig Pearen  
Principal



Strive is our oral vocabulary program. Each week the teachers select special words from the class work. They teach the meaning in a clear and focused lesson with follow up lessons during the week. When the class has completed the word they go onto the STRIVE wall.



## Redbank Raptors

Each room in our school has a set of posters to remind the students of our behaviour expectations.

The students will be learning about being safe, responsible and respectful by choosing their behaviour. **The behaviour lesson that the students have been focussing on for weeks 3 and 4 is:** Be respectful to adults. Being respectful means, that we have regard for the feelings, wishes or rights of others. We act in a way that shows you care about others' feelings and wellbeing. Showing respect for others includes things like, no name calling, treating people with courtesy, caring enough about yourself that you don't do things that can hurt you, always following staff instructions immediately. It is important to dress, speak and act in a way that shows you care about what is right and safe.

**\*Redbank Raptors are safe, responsible and respectful learners when we are respectful to adults.**

**These students were selected to pick from the prize box for being excellent Redbank Raptor Role Models:** Maddison, Emanuel, Jett, Mia, Lailanni, Baylin, Maddison, Jayson, Rohith, Alexander. Ezra, Jaime, Mia, Azalea, Tyler, Azariaus, India, Benjamin.

**Did you know?** ... students can save 100 points to have a morning tea with the Principal.



## P & C NEWS

President- Michelle Bell  
 Vice President- Clem Knight  
 Secretary- Ann Fouracre  
 Assistant Secretary- Angela Perry  
 Treasurer- Jodie Patterson  
 Tuckshop Convenor- Mandy Midgley

**The next meeting for the P & C will be held on Tuesday 15 August at 1:30pm. Everyone is most welcome to attend.**

**Tuckshop:** Volunteers are always welcome.

**Uniform Shop:** Now open each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between 8.00 – 9.00am in the Resource Centre kitchen.

**Munch 'N Crunch Program:** Help is always needed, pop into the kitchen and help cut up the fruit and vegetables each morning from about 8.00am – 9.00am.

**Cupcake Day:** As part of fundraising to support the Debutante Ball, we are having a cupcake day on Tuesday 8 August. For \$5.00 your child will get a cupcake of their choice (vanilla, chocolate or blueberry), ½ a meat (chicken or ham) and salad sandwich and a cup of warm milo. To order, fill out a form that went home earlier in the week and return it with full payment to the office by this Friday 4 August. More forms are available at the office.



**Deb Ball: Friday 20 October:** All students in Years 1 and 2 are invited to participate. See the office for a form. We have 6 white dresses for sale and some second hand dresses for hire. There may also be some items of clothing for the boys, check in at the tuckshop.

**Pyjama Day:** Wear your pyjamas to school on Friday 11 August. Wake up ready for school, have your breakfast and come along in your pyjamas! Bring a gold coin donation. This is a P & C fundraiser going towards our continued support of the much sought after Raptorbration prize of 'Morning Tea with the Principal'. *All students must still wear appropriate school footwear on this day for safety.*



**Father's Day Raffle:** We are holding a multi-draw raffle for Father's Day. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. Tickets are \$1.00 each and are attached to this newsletter. All tickets and money are due back to the office by Thursday morning on 31 August, ready for the draw. Thank you for your support.

### RECENT PARADE AWARDS

Our school parade is held every Friday afternoon at 2.00pm. Parents/Caregivers are most welcome to attend. These students received an award on parade recently. Kayden, Jett, Gen, Mia, Mara-Jade, Ruby, Kareena, Keiala, Chloe, Katlyn, Esmay, Xander, Tyreece, Manaia, Keely, India, Jemma, Doyle, Laith, Lee, Deborah, Ezekiel, Destiny-Rose, Palepa, Maddison, Kody, Ruby.

Congratulations everyone for the great work!

*Continue reading for the Premier's Reading Challenge and return your signed forms to the library counter.*



## YEAR 2/3LH NEWS

Class 2/3LH innovated a Poem called 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. We wrote our own stanzas, using our imaginations to decide upon the items to go into the box. We tried to use alliteration, and in some cases rhyme, although the original poem did not include a rhyming pattern. We hope you enjoy our version of this poem.

### The Magic Box

I will put in the box  
Our golden attendance trophy,  
A dragon that can fly only at night,  
And lava from deep in the earth.

I will put in the box  
A dragon's creepy eye,  
A pirate's golden tooth,  
And a delicious Wonka Bar.

I will put in the box  
A WWE red robot,  
A big bad bug that bothers me,  
And a deadly drowsy dragon.

I will put in the box  
Three wishes,  
A pink fox,  
And a pretty sparkly scarf.

I will put in the box  
A big boxing bull,  
A shrieking shy sheep,  
And a flying fat fox.

I will put in the box  
A fantastic flower from Aunty Flora,  
A map from the magnificent marshmallow land,  
And a hero horse from the heroic highway.

I will put in the box  
A pink pig from a farm on a cold night,  
A fish from the sea,  
And a big black rug.

### DENTAL TREATMENT VAN

The dental van has been taken away for refurbishment, it will return in a couple of weeks. If you require dental assistance in the meantime, please contact the dental service on 1300 763 246 to arrange an appointment.



## OUR CLUBS

Each week the students can participate in a number of clubs.

Our clubs include:

**Breakfast Club:** Each morning: 8.00 – 8.20 am. Students must be finished at Breakfast Club by 8.20, so that they are ready for the first bell at 8.30.

**Gardening Club:** Wednesday mornings from 7.30 – 8.25 am for years 3 to 6. See Mrs Mac.

**Glee Club:** Each Wednesday at second break from 1.00 - 1.30pm in 2/3LH room. Students from Prep to 6 are able to attend.

**Homework Help and the Reading Ranch:** Every Thursday morning from 8.00 - 8.25 am in the library.

**Chess Champs Club:** Every lunch time from 1 to 1:30 pm in the kitchen.



### FREE Children's Bicycle Safety Sessions

At The Handmade Expo

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

At The Ipswich Road Safety Expo Stand

Bring your bicycle and helmet along so you can join in and ride the fun obstacle course.

**Safety first**, our Trainers will talk about helmet safety, the ABC of bike

maintenance and then you ride the obstacle course.

These sessions are free although bookings are essential. Other activities include face painting, children's activities and giveaways!

9.00am – 9.45am [Childrens Safety Session 1](#)

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/childrens-safety-session-for-road-safety-week-session-1-tickets-36136846280?aff=es2>

10.00am – 10.45am [Childrens Safety Session 2](#)

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/childrens-safety-session-for-road-safety-week-session-2-tickets-36137071955?aff=es2>

The Handmade Expo Saturday 19 August 2017 @ the Ipswich Turf Club, Brisbane Road, Bundamba

### Robotronica 2017: Free robotics and technology spectacular.

**One day only, Sunday 20 August 9am to 4pm.**

Find out from US world-leading roboticist about sneaky robots that trick you. What are the moral and ethical implications? Meet social robot, Pepper. Be the first to program a robot at Code-A-Bot. The Cube's latest screen project based around a fictional recycling facility run entirely by robots.

Visit [www.robotronica.qut.edu.au/about/](http://www.robotronica.qut.edu.au/about/) for more information.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Our calendar will be updated in each newsletter to let you know of upcoming events.

Tuesday 8 August	Cupcake Day \$5 per student if ordering
Friday 11 August	Pyjama Day – wear your pyjamas to school for a gold coin donation
21 – 25 August	Book Week
Friday 25 August	Premier's Reading Challenge ends
Friday 25 August	Grandparents Open Day
Thursday 31 August	Father's Day Raffle tickets due back and raffle drawn
Sunday 3 September	Father's Day
Friday 20 October	Debutante Ball for years 1 and 2