

6 March 2019

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.

Let's 'stand together' against bullying and violence!

Our school is proud to say 'Bullying. No Way!' On Friday 15 March we will stand united with schools across Australia for the 2019 National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence.

Taking a stand together will deliver a powerful message that bullying and violence is never okay.

We strongly encourage parents and caregivers to have open and honest conversations with their children about bullying in all forms.

To get the discussion started with helpful information and tips visit the [Bullying. No Way! website \(www.bullyingnoway.gov.au\)](http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au).

Cross Country

A reminder to our families that our school Cross Country will be held on Thursday 21st March at 9am.

School Attendance

Our School Attendance Target is 96%. Our current Attendance is 93%.

Did you know? Research shows that higher student attendance at school generally means higher student achievement.

Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life:

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

Under Queensland Law, you must make sure your child of school age is enrolled and attends school all day, every day, unless they have an acceptable reason. Avoid keeping your child away from school for: birthdays, shopping, visiting family and friends or if they sleep in.

If your family holiday is during school time, let us know in advance so that we can talk about arrangements for your child. They may be eligible for an exemption for this period.

Do I need to let the school know if my child has been away from school? Yes, you must let us know the reason why your child is absent from school on the morning of their absence. Reasons for being absent from school can include: illness, representing the school (or district/region/state) in a choir or sporting team, extreme weather events, Sorry Business, dental appointments, religious observances, funerals and legal matters.

We are trying really hard at the moment to improve our student attendance. You may hear your child talk about the 'attendance trophy'. This is an award that is presented to the class with the highest attendance rate each week. The students are really excited about it! Each newsletter includes the winners of this trophy.

Our focus is on the child as an individual and setting a goal of coming to school each and every day. If you are having trouble getting your child to school, please contact either your child's teacher, Mrs Orton or myself so that we can help you.

Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to 6KG who were awarded the Attendance Trophy in Week 4 with a 98% attendance rate and 1KT who were awarded the trophy in Week 5 with a 97% attendance rate.

The clues about solidification from 6KG led Mr Pearen to the freezer to find the trophy.



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 (remember to give a reason) 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 5 and 6 is:** We are safe when we walk on sealed surfaces.

- This means we walk at a calm pace between different areas of the school.
- We keep to the left hand side of paths and stairs.
- We are aware of people and buildings around us.

***Redbank Raptors are safe, responsible and respectful learners when we walk on sealed surfaces.**

These students were selected to pick from the prize box for being excellent Redbank Raptor Role Models: Tuane, Elena, Myra, Eabha, Mia, Azalea, Clay, Starr, Laila, Ruby, Ellyanah, Azaria, Lilli, Jackson, Sienna, Darcy.



P & C NEWS

Vice-President- Clem Knight

Jnr Vice-President- Edward Ploger

Secretary- Angela Perry

Assistant Secretary- Virginia Sileli

Treasurer- Katherine Earl

School Uniforms: Our uniforms are available from the 'LOWES' store in Redbank Plaza (1 day only sale of 20% off on Thursday 14 March) however school bucket hats are sold for \$10 each at the office.

Munch 'N' Crunch Volunteers are always welcome in the mornings from around 8:30 am in the kitchen of the Resource Centre. Come and help us cut up the fruit and vegetables.

Italian Meal Deal on Monday 18 March: Spaghetti Bolognese, garlic bread and a popper for \$5 per meal. Orders and payment must be at the office by Friday 15 March.

School Disco Friday 22 March: All students are invited to attend from 5:30 to 8:30pm. Note to come home soon.

Easter Raffle: We are asking for donations for the upcoming Easter raffle, please drop off any items at the office. We appreciate your support!

Easter Stall 3, 4 & 5 April: We will also hold an Easter Stall for students to buy a gift for a loved one. Gifts are usually under \$10, come along on Wed 3, Thurs 4 & Fri 5 April to purchase a gift from 8-8:30am each day. If anyone is able to help out on the stall, please register your interest at the office, thanks.

Annual General Meeting Notice: The AGM for the P&C will be held on Thursday 21 March at 1:45pm. All positions will be declared vacant and nominations will then be called for

all the positions. You may self-nominate or be nominated by another. We urgently need your help to support our P&C Association. Are you interested in taking a position within the committee? Please come along to our meetings and talk with the principal. Everyone is most welcome to attend. *We need your support!*

Library News

Library borrowing days are:

Monday - PrepJM

Tuesday – 2LH, 6KG and 5/6KS

Thursday – 4TK

Friday – 1KT, 3AW, 4/5KB

Please make sure your child has a library bag and remembers to return their library books each week. We want to make sure that we get on top of any overdue books early this year!

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.

Savanah, Lilah, Jeremy, Leon, Shontaya, Ellyanah, Angel, Ash, Kalapani, Ashley, Kaylah, Tony, Cathy, Zeppelin, Aroha, Isaac, Ula, Alleluia, Soufiane, Flynn, Myra, Kayley, Eabha, Selina, Georgie, Sebastian, Palepa, Eli, Zion, Steph, Lilli, Jackson, Tau, Ashton, Letylha, Xavier.

NO EARLY ARRIVALS AT SCHOOL

Students are expected to arrive at school no earlier than 8am. There is no supervision before this time. The only exceptions to this, are when students are participating in our clubs such as Gardening Gurus or Savvy Scientists.

Crazy Hat Parade

Parents and caregivers are invited to attend the crazy hat parade being held on Friday 5 April at 9am. Don't worry; all hats are made at school!



BASKETBALL: After School Sport

Miss Gardner is currently running BASKETBALL sessions after school on **Mondays** from 3-4pm.

- **These sessions will end on Monday 25 March. Your child must be picked up promptly at 4pm.**

CROSS COUNTRY

Our school cross country will be held on Thursday 21 March starting at 9.00am, weather permitting. All students from Prep to Year 6 participate. Students are grouped together and compete by the year they were born. We encourage our students and staff to wear house colours on the day, Kallaroo is green and Bindaree is red. Check with the teacher if you do not know what house your child is in. Students will practice for the course during a P.E. lesson and any practice that you do at home would be great! Parents/Caregivers are most welcome to attend for the morning; the event should finish by 1pm.

OUR CLUBS

Each week the students can participate in a number of clubs. These clubs generally run from Week 2 to Week 9 of each term. Our clubs include:

Breakfast Club: Each morning: 8:00 – 8:20am. Students must be finished at Breakfast Club by 8:20, so that they are ready for the first bell at 8:30.

Gardening Gurus: Wednesday mornings from 7:30 – 8:25am.

Glee Club: to be advised.

Reading Ranch: Every Tuesday morning from 8:00 – 8:25am in the library. Parents/Caregivers can come in and read to their children as well.

Savvy Scientists: Invitation only: 7:30 – 8:25am Thursdays in the computer lab.

Lethal Learners - Homework: Week 2 to Week 9 each term from 3:30 pm on Thursdays.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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

Friday 15 March	'Bullying. No Way!' Day
Thursday 21 March	Inter House Cross Country 9am start: Prep-6
Thursday 21 March	Annual General Meeting for the P&C 1:45pm
Monday 1 April	Pancake Restaurant \$5 each
3 & 4 April	Easter Stall plus a raffle
Friday 5 April	Crazy Hat Parade 9am and last day of term 1
Tuesday 23 April	First day of term 2
Thursday 25 April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Friday 26 April	'Central Comets' Cross Country in Ipswich
Thursday 2 May	SENIOR Inter House Athletics Carnival
Monday 6 May	Labour Day public holiday
Thursday 9 May	JUNIOR Inter House Athletics Carnival
13, 14 & 15 May	NAPLAN TESTING
Friday 17 May	Ipswich Show Public Holiday
22 & 23 May	'Central Comets' Track & Field in Ipswich

Riverview State School Community Hub

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Courses, programs, groups and fun, see Sonya.

Coffee and Chat Monday to Friday 8:30-9:00

RIVERVIEW STATE SCHOOL

Riverview State School Logo

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mini Mob Indigenous Play Group 8:30-10:15	Certificate Courses With a trainer Child minding is provided 9:00-2:00	Pre Prep Program Join us if you have a child attending Prep in 2020 8:30-10:30	Sewing Group Machines & Fabric provided 8:30-12:00	Little Joeys playgroup Come and join us in our play group for some stories songs and craft 8:45-10:15
English Classes Free English lessons. Child Minding provided 8:30-10:30	 Hi, I'm Sonya your Community Hub Leader. I'm available Monday to Friday 8:30-3:00. Phone 38166111	Beginners Sewing Group Come along and learn a new skill or practice the skills you already have. Machines, Fabric and guidance provided 12:00-2:30	Community Hub Team Meeting 12:00-3:00 Community Hubs are funded by the Australian Government in partnership with the Scantlon Foundation, DET and local schools	Child Health Nurse Every second week 8:30-11:00
Community Craft Free craft activities which changing regularly 1:30-2:30			Certificate Courses With a trainer and child minding provided 11:00-2:00	

Every Family



Parents Stay Positive!



Want to see more of the behaviour you like and less of the behaviour you don't like?

Join a Free Triple P Positive Parenting Seminar

Seminars available for parents and carers of children up to 12 years old.

How it works: Three 90-minute seminars. Do one, two or all three.

- When:**
- The Power of Positive Parenting Tuesday 5th March 2019 - 1:30pm to 3pm
 - Raising Confident, Competent Children Tuesday 12th March 2019 - 1:30pm to 3pm
 - Raising Resilient Children Tuesday 19th March 2019 - 1:30pm to 3pm

Where: Collingwood Park State School Burrell Street, Collingwood Park, QLD 4304

Child-minding available. Refreshments provided.

Book at www.triplep-parenting.net

For more information call 0438 937 350 or email lena.krause@uq.edu.au



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