

11 October 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.

Thanks Mr Gagen

It is great to be back at Redbank and I would really like to thank Mr Gagen for so capably acting in my position during my leave. Mr Gagen had many wonderful things to say about our school and enjoyed his time at Redbank.

Information Postcards

Attached to this newsletter is a postcard that we have developed to share information regarding our school. Please take the time to read this postcard and appreciate how lucky we are to be a part of this great school community. Please note the Prep Information date on the front of the postcard if you have a child eligible for Prep next year.

Free Parenting Seminar

Want to see more of the behaviour you like and less of the behaviour you don't like? Come to the FREE PARENTING SEMINAR available for parents and carers of children up to 12 years old at Ipswich City Council Library.



The seminar will be presented by Professor Matt Sanders, world-renowned psychologist and author of the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program. Professor Sanders is frequently asked to comment on parenting issues and consult to governments in Australia and internationally. This is a rare chance to hear him speak and take audience questions.

The Power of Positive Parenting - Presented by Matt Sanders

Author of Triple P - Positive Parenting Program

Wednesday 1st November 2017, 7pm - 9pm

Ipswich City Council Library

Barry Jones Auditorium, 40 South Street, Ipswich



Student Free Day

Parents/Caregivers, please note that we have a Student Free Day on Monday 16 October; students are not required to attend school on this day. There will be no staff on site during this day.

Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to 3KG who were awarded the Attendance Trophy in Week 1 of this term with a 97% 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 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 1 and 2 is:** We are safe, responsible and respectful every day at school.

Safe: Everyone needs to feel safe; everyone follows the school rules

Responsible: I choose my own behaviour; we look after our school and equipment

Respectful: Use appropriate and polite language to everyone; I follow instructions given by adults.

***Redbank Raptors are safe, responsible and respectful learners every day at school.**

These students were selected to pick from the prize box for being excellent Redbank Raptor Role Models: Ellyanah, Ash, Jaime, Samantha, Divine, Vaiioleti, Zeppelin, Keely, Zane.

Did you know? ... that we have just finished our staff matrix for PBL.



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 17 October at 1:30pm. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Tuckshop: Volunteers are urgently needed at the moment. We are running very short on helpers and need workers to come and help urgently. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Tuckshop Convenor: The position of convenor is becoming vacant at the end of the year. If you are interested in the position, please send a letter of interest to the school office. This role is a volunteer position only, not a paid position.

Uniform Shop: Now open each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between 8.00 – 9.00am in the 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. Ron, our wonderful volunteer who is there every day, will be leaving us at the end of this year. We will need more volunteers to help with this program as well.

Debutante Ball: Friday 20 October: All students in Years 1 and 2 are invited to participate. Please advise if your child will be participating. 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.

Ticket order forms have been sent home, if you want to pre order your tickets. Tickets are also available at the door on the night. \$5 per adult or high school aged children and \$2 for primary aged children, the Debutantes do not have to pay for entry. Food items will be sold on the night, hamburgers, chicken burgers, sausage sizzle, drinks etc.

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. Jayda, Azariaus, Harrison, Laith, Bella, Sarai, Peti, Ezekiel, Lilly, Tau, Charlie, Ciara, Benjamin, Monica, Seu, Brianna, Eloise.

Congratulations everyone for the great work!

SCHOOL PHOTOS

All school photos have now been handed out to students, any enquiries or late orders, please contact MSP Photography on 3848 3946.

REMINDER: SWIMMING LESSONS FOR TERM 4

Our swimming program for 2017 commences this week on Thursday 12 October 2017. The physical education swimming program is **ONLY FOR STUDENTS IN CLASSES 2BC, 2/3LH AND 3KG**. Our program will run from Week 2 to Week 9 of Term 4. The last day of swimming will be Thursday 30 November.



The venue for swimming will be Goodna State School. The cost of swimming this year is \$35 per child to cover the entry to the pool and the bus costs. **THIS PAYMENT IS BASED ON A SEASON OF SWIMMING, PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BEFORE SWIMMING COMMENCES AND WE MUST HAVE A PERMISSION FORM. THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS AS WE CALCULATE THE COST BASED ON THE NUMBER OF**

CHILDREN IN THE PROGRAM. This price has been subsidised by the school to make the cost more affordable for parents.

Attendance Trophy



Each class wants to keep the attendance trophy so much that they take great delight in hiding it when it is time for Mr Pearen to collect it. Last week it was hidden in the sports shed by the very clever year 6TK's.

SCHOOL CAMP FOR YEAR 5 AND 6 STUDENTS

The school camp for the senior students is on Thursday 26 and Friday 27 October. Students will be going to Camp Goodenough, an outdoor adventure and education centre located in Carool in NSW. They will travel by bus to the venue. The payment is \$165 per child, this includes all activities, accommodation and meals as well as the bus travel. Some families have paid part payments; this is a final reminder that all payments must be completed by Thursday 12 October. A medication form (which you will need to fill out and return to school) and a list of 'what to bring' will be sent home shortly.

PREP END OF YEAR EXCURSION

On Thursday 26 October, our Prep JM class will be going on an excursion to Queens Park in Ipswich to see the animals and then on to River Heart Parklands in Ipswich for some water play. The cost is \$5 per child and a permission form is required. Most of the students in the class have returned both the payment and the form; however we are still waiting on several families to respond. Please do so urgently. Payment is required by Friday 20 October.

Prep Enrolments 2018

Do you have a child eligible to enrol for Prep for 2018?

They must be born between

1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013.

Prep Information Day will be held on

Wednesday 18 October.

We will offer 2 sessions, 2-3 pm OR 5-6 pm.

Contact the school office for any enquiries; if you are unable to come to the info day, enrolment packs will be available at the office shortly.

Prep orientation sessions for the new preps and parents/caregivers will be offered in November, dates and times to be advised. You are welcome to come to one session or all sessions. Sessions will be held in the Prep Building with Mrs Julie Mayers, come and see

what your child will experience when they start in 2018. We hope to see you there! This is a great opportunity for the teacher to get to know your child.

Basketball :After School Sport

Miss Gardner is currently running basketball sessions after school on Mondays from 3-4pm. Students have been given a timetable for what week to attend. **Your child must be picked up at 4pm.**

The boys participate in weeks 2, 4, 6 and 8 of term 4.

The girls participate in weeks 5, 7, 9 and 10 of term 4.

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 Gurus Club: Wednesday mornings from 7:30 – 8:25 am for Years 3 to 6. See Mrs MacPherson.

Glee Club: Each Wednesday at second break from 1:00 – 1:25pm in 2/3LH room. Students from Prep to 6 are able to attend.

Homework Help and the Reading Ranch: Every Tuesday morning from 8:00 – 8:25 am in the library. Please note the change of day!

Chess Champs Club: Every Thursday lunch time from 1:00 – 1:25 pm in the kitchen.

Dramarama: Invitation only. Held on Wednesday mornings from 7:30 - 8:25am.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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

Thursday 12 October	Swimming program begins from week 2 to week 9
Monday 16 October	Student Free Day: no school this day
Wed 18 October	Prep Information Day for 2018: 2-3 pm or 5-6 pm.
Friday 20 October	Debutante Ball for years 1 and 2
Thurs 26 and Fri 27 October	Year 5 and 6 camp: Urgent Reminder- All payments due by Thursday 12 October.
Thursday 26 October	Prep excursion to Ipswich
Thursday 7 December	Presentation Morning 9 am
Friday 8 December	Last day of term 4