

19 July 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.

Student Attendance

Absences affect the chances your child has of being successful as an adult. One or two days absent a week in primary school doesn't seem much but...

Missing...	Equals ...	Which is ...	Over 13 years of schooling you child is missing...	If this happens you child may <u>only</u> reach ...
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years of schooling	Year 11 standard
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2.5 years of schooling	Year 10 standard
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Nearly 5 years of schooling	Year 7 standard
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of schooling	Year 4 standard

EVERY DAY COUNTS and we need to see you child at school each and every day!

Being late for school every day also impacts on learning ...

- 30 minutes late each day = 2 ½ hours each week = missing half a day of school and learning each week.
- Missing ½ day of learning each week = missing 4 weeks of learning per year.
- Missing 4 weeks each year = missing ½ year of schooling over 13 years.

Please think carefully before letting your child stay at home.

Staff Changes

We would like to welcome two new staff members to our school this term. Miss Schulz has joined us to replace Mrs Mansfield on the Year 4/5 class and Mr Cowin is replacing Miss Crane on 2BC on Mondays and Tuesdays. I'm sure that these staff members will enjoy working with our school community as much as we do.

Athletics Carnivals

The weather was finally kind to us and allowed us to conduct our Athletics Carnivals. I must acknowledge how impressed I was with the level of participation and spirit the students showed at these carnivals. Special thanks must go to Miss Crane for her organisation of the carnivals and the P&C association for their support of these days. At the end of the two days the winning house for 2017 was Bindaree.

Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to 2BC who were awarded the Attendance Trophy in Week 10 of last term with a 96% attendance rate and 6TK who were awarded the Attendance Trophy in Week 1 of this term with a 96% 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:** Safe, Responsible and Respectful every day at school, in the classrooms and in the playgrounds.

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

I choose my own behaviour; we all look after our school and our equipment; we use appropriate and polite language to everyone; I follow instructions given by adults. It is important to be safe, responsible and respectful at all times for the good order and management of the school and the safety of others.

***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: Kayley, Elijah, Lillian, Samantha, Koby, Thomas, Lucas, Doyle, Rohith, Ayen, Azaria, Rua, Steph, Azalea, Mariah, Maddison, Victor, Prinze.

Did you know? ... that students earn Cool Claw points to spend at our Raptor Merchandise Shop.

Please ask your child what they have purchased lately!

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 a week late, next Tuesday 25 July 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.

Crazy Sock Day held last Tuesday: Thank you for your support. We raised \$74.00. All funds raised go towards the P & C's continued support of our great Raptorbration prizes including the special morning with the Principal. Tuckshop meal vouchers were awarded to two students with the most outstanding socks,



congratulations Jared and Mia. Two students from each class also won ice block vouchers, well done Salina, Jacob, Kareena, Ezra, Isabella, Jasper, Sienna, Riley, Laila, Kielin, Gabriella, Clay, Ezekiel, Paige, Kyarah, Journey, Oceanna and Jordan.



Deb Ball - we are still looking for any family members to help our Deb ball planning group put together an awesome evening for our Year 1 & 2 children. Thanks to those that have said they could help so far but if anyone else can help we would appreciate. The ball will be held in the Redbank 'School of Arts' Hall in Brisbane Road Redbank and we would love to have some help with setting up the hall and assisting in the kitchen. If you would like to be involved please contact Angela Perry 0407165620. Our next planning meeting is Monday 24 July at 2pm, hope to see you then.

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. Mark, Doyle, Darian, Lynora, Harrison, Ash, Katie, Jennabelle, Seu, Steph, Laila, Caitlin, Isabella, Mahonri, Kayley, Gabriella, Darra, Tyreece.

Congratulations everyone for the great work!

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

Haiku Poems from Year 2/3LH

Haiku poems originated in Japan. They were traditionally about nature or the seasons and are three lines in length. In English they have a non-rhyming syllabic pattern with the first and last lines containing five syllables and the middle line with seven syllables. Class 2/3LH wrote some Haiku poems on a variety of themes. Some are like riddles. We hope that you enjoy reading them.

I can growl real loud.
I am brown with a black nose.
I like eating fish.
Kielin Long

They are good and bad.
They are cute, cuddly and soft.
They have wet noses.
Epe Tuioti

I eat light green plants.
I live in the deep jungle.
I am black and white.
Laila Robertson

Buddy is my dog.
She likes to play ev'ryday.
She loves sausages.
Emma-Jane Cameron

It is a good club.
It's a rugby union team.
It is under eights.
Mahonri Tuilagi

On the holidays,
I went to the swimming pool.
We had a great day!
Kalapani F-A

Simba is my cat.
Simba loves eating his food.
He likes to chase mice.
Gen Masalu

Princess is my dog.
Princess likes to eat dog food.
Princess likes to play.
Stephanie Perry

DENTAL TREATMENT VAN

The dental van is being 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.



4/5HM NEWS

What a creative group!

Children in year 4/5HM were given five items-a piece of plastic; a matchstick; a piece of wool; a paddle pop stick; and a straw for their activity. The creative items made were amazing. The range was incredible! They included lasers, animal cages, necklaces, masks etc. Great thinking!



Central District Athletics Carnival

Several of our students have been participating in the Central District Carnival held in Ipswich over the last 2 days. We had great participation and several students will now go on to the next level to compete.

FAREWELL

I'd like to say a big thank you to all Parents and Students who wished me well for my Long Service Leave and Retirement in the last week of term. I really appreciated your well wishes. Hope to see you around and to catch up on what your children are achieving.

Regards
Heather Mansfield

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 1 to 6.

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.

The Smith Family is a national charity helping young Australians in need to get the most out of their education, so they can create better futures for themselves.

The Smith Family's Ipswich office has moved locations and are now based at:

Shop 2, 58 East Street, Ipswich, 4305

Our postal address is still: **GPO Box 3, Booval Fair, 4304**

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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

Monday 24 July	Deb Ball meeting 2pm
Tuesday 25 July	P & C Meeting 1:30 pm
Thursday 27 July	Naidoc Day
21 – 25 August	Book Week
Friday 25 August	Premier's Reading Challenge ends
Friday 25 August	Grandparents Open Day