

20 February 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.

Student Leaders

Over the last two weeks, our Year 6 students have had the opportunity to demonstrate the depth of their leadership skills and convince their peers and staff that they will uphold our 3 values of **Safe, Responsible** and **Respectful**.

I would like to congratulate the following students in their leadership positions for 2019:

School Captains: Sipiki T and Starr T

School Vice-Captains: Kaitlyn N and Onosai F

Sipiki, Starr, Kaitlyn and Onosai will represent our school at important events and lead our weekly Parade.

I would like to congratulate the following students who have been elected into House Captain positions for 2019:

Bindaree Captains: Natika R and Cathy F

Kallarroo Captains: Aroha K and Sypress L

Student Leaders Badge Presentation

There will be a special parade on Monday 4 March at 9:00am for the presentation of badges to our Student Leaders.

Collecting students early on Friday afternoons

Please note that unless it is an emergency, parents/caregivers will not be able to collect their children early from school on a Friday afternoon until the conclusion of parade. Our parades start at 2:00pm each Friday and as all classes are at parade, their classrooms are locked and they will be unable to enter them to collect anything they need to take home until the conclusion of parade.

In the event of an emergency, parents/caregivers will need to advise the Principal who will arrange for your child to leave early.

Staff Carpark

We have noticed that some parents/caregivers are using the staff carpark to drop off and pick up students or walk through to the school each day. It is important that students are not in the car park when staff members are driving in and out.

Parents/Caregivers are able to drop off along Brisbane Road for the students to walk to and from school. There is ample parking in Law Street and a cul-de-sac for parents/caregivers to drop off students. We appreciate your help in keeping our students safe.

Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to 6KG who were awarded the Attendance Trophy in Week 2 with a 96% attendance rate and again in Week 3 with a 98% attendance rate.



The trophy was found in the 'Prep Bakery' and Year 6KG hid the trophy with the senior shirts.



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 3 and 4 is: Follow instructions and directions immediately.



***Redbank Raptors are safe, responsible and respectful learners when we follow instructions and directions immediately.**

These students were selected to pick from the prize box for being excellent Redbank Raptor Role Models: Lexi-Jane, Noah, Phoebe, Ruby, Harrison, Molimoli, Selina, Isabella, Ariana, Ava, Divine, Eloise, Lucas, Baylin, Natika.

P & C NEWS

Vice-President- Clem Knight

Jnr Vice-President- Edward Ploger

Secretary- Angela Perry

Assistant Secretary- Virginia Sileli

Treasurer- Katherine Earl

Tuckshop Convenor: Vacant

No Tuckshop Available: Anyone looking to take on a volunteer convenor role in 2019? Please let the office know.

School Uniforms: Our uniforms are available from the **LOWES store in Redbank Plaza;** however **bucket hats** are sold for \$10 each at the school 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.

P&C Meetings: The next P&C general meeting is on Thursday 21 February at 1:45pm in the kitchen, all welcome.

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

The theme that we currently have in the library is 'Under the Sea'. Students are able to make a paper plate fish, an octopus or a bookmark. They can colour in some sea posters or play in the sensory sea tray. More activities coming soon! There are many displays of books with our sea theme. We have underwater scenes on the windows which have sea grass and a school of fish. We have a giant purple octopus hovering over the circulation desk, a window of sea creatures and some amazing facts about seahorses. The students are enjoying playing inside the library with these activities during lunchtime, which also gets them out of the heat! All classes have done a great job in colouring in the individual borrower cards that we use for the students to borrow. Some of the entries are amazing; some children have really spent the time to make their card look great. Mrs Mayers will pick the best 2 from each class to receive a surprise from our prize box.



Library borrowing has commenced and the class borrowing days are:

Monday - PrepJM

Tuesday – 6KG and 5/6KS

Wednesday – 2LH

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!

'Reading is to the mind, what exercise is to the body'.

PARKING AROUND OUR SCHOOL

We remind parents/caregivers to be vigilant when parking around our school. Please consider the safety of our students and always be on the lookout for students entering or leaving the grounds. Under no circumstances are students to be dropped off, picked up or walked through the staff carpark.



**This is a No Pedestrian Zone.
Keep our children safe.**

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. Prashanga, Noah, Ezra, Jiraiya, Scarlett, Kaylah, Laila, Taitoa, Mizpah, Lucas, Isaac, Thomas, Aaron, Sierra-Grace, Bentley, Elyshianah, Jeremy, Hayden, Alexander, Cooper, Emanuel, Molimoli, Stephanie, Kielin, Jammillea-Rose, Mahonri, Xander, Sienna, Zion, Onosai, Taitoa, Maddison, Natika, Darcy.

BASKETBALL: After School Sport

Miss Gardner is currently running BASKETBALL sessions after school **on Mondays** from 3-4pm. Forms were sent home recently to students in years 4 to 6. **Limited places were available and all sessions are now fully booked.**

- **These sessions will end on Monday 25 March. Your child must be picked up promptly at 4pm.**
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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 3-3:30 pm on Thursdays.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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

Thursday 21 February	P&C Meeting 1:45pm
Thursday 21 March	Annual General Meeting for the P&C 1:45pm
Friday 5 April	Last day of term 1
Tuesday 23 April	First day of term 2
Thursday 25 April	Anzac Day public holiday
Monday 6 May	Labour Day public holiday



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