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I am safe, I am respectful, I am a learner.

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P&C MEETINGS

Congratulations to our new committee for 2018:

- Juliane Whipps – President
- Rhonda Burton – Vice President
- Laetitia Herrod – Treasurer
- Phylcia Murray – Secretary

These ladies have some great ideas and are looking forward to the year ahead, however they will need assistance.

We are always keen for parents or community members to be involved in our P&C events. The P&C support our school in relation to our buses, school supplies and up keep of our school grounds. To be able to fundraise and support our school we need helpers.

Our next P&C meeting is on Monday 30th April at 3:30pm – come along and be a part of our school P&C.

COLOUR RUN

We are hosting a school “Colour Run” in place of our school Fun Run. The students will be able to fundraise for a prize similar to the Fun Run but the event will be a lot more fun. They run through an obstacle course and are covered with varying coloured powder. We will be holding this event on Friday 18th May starting at 4:30pm so that families can come along and have a great afternoon of fun. Please make sure you help your child to fundraise using the attached form. They will need to have some clothes that are able to be covered in colour – white clothes work well if they want to keep them. This is P&C organised event, come along and support our school and have a laugh at all the crazy coloured students.

THANK YOU

A personal thank you to our amazing staff who worked to keep the school running whilst I was on leave. Also a huge thank you to Sharryn Westbrook for taking over the Principal position. Japan was amazing and I was very lucky to be able to visit.



CLASS QUESTIONS

We are always happy to share information with you about your child's development and their areas for improvement. Please contact the school for an appointment to talk about your child with your class teacher. Student success has always been linked to the involvement of parents in schooling. Find out how you can help your child have success!!

Remember, DAILY ATTENDANCE is the key to success.

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Daily Attendance

Our attendance is a key issue and we need the support of parents to ensure students are attending **EVERY DAY**. Parents will be notified on the **SAME DAY** of an absence in 2017 or **you can ring, email or send a note if your child is absent.**

Attendance		Unexplained No. of days
Prep	91.57%	7
Year 1	93.81%	7
Year 2	92.86%	8
Year 3	92.65%	3
Year 4	98.41%	0
Year 5	82.14%	14
Year 6	92.06%	1

If your child is in Year 5 and they have any unexplained absences they are contributing to this very low attendance rate!!! This needs to be fixed – every day is an important one for learning.

We currently have 91.5% attendance for our entire school, this is low for this time in the school year – we should be aiming to be at or above 95% every year. We need to ensure students are attending EVERY DAY.

Let's work together to make this a reality!!

We need to maintain this focus for 2017 – **attendance enables your child to have learning success!!**

PRODUCE STALL

Keep those donations for our produce stall coming, they help our small school to offer other activities to our students that wouldn't be available without these generous donations.

A very big thank you to the families who support our fruit stall, our small school would not be able to offer the programs we do without this valuable support.



DATE CLAIMERS

Date	Event
Thurs 29th March	LAST DAY TERM 1
Mon 16th April	STUDENT FREE DAY
Tues 17th April	FIRST DAY TERM 2
Thurs 19th April	SSS Cross Country @ MRUSS 10am start
Fri 20th April	CRAZY HAIR DAY Gold Coin Donation – come with your craziest hair!!!
Wed 9th May	Mother's Day Stall Come and buy a gift for mum – no more than \$5 each
TBA	District Touch Football Carnival
TBA	Pie Drive – P&C Fundraiser

BULLYING NO WAY DAY

The students were very involved in our Bullying No Way Day recently. It was great to see so many students support such a great cause. We remind students every day to be careful with their actions and their words – this day was a great way to show them that this is supported across our Nation.

Thank you to the staff and students who organised and sold the wrist bands – these are allowed to be worn every day if students would like.



Mrs P in cool clothes!!

SPECIAL VIRTUE AWARDS

Each week we focus on a different virtue, this is shared during our weekly parade and then the information is displayed on our display board in the eating area. Students try to focus on the particular virtue for the week. We present certificates to a few students who have shown the virtue without being reminded throughout that week. Ask your child every Friday what the virtue of the week is and try to encourage them to practice at home too.

Remember to use these every day!!!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

No reasons recorded.

Week 8:

Keenan Beeron
Mackenzie Corporal

Week 9:

Keenan Beeron
Nicholas Muriata
Ezekias Toohey
Clinton Murray



STAY SAFE ON THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:

**SEE YOU ALL HERE ON TUESDAY 17TH
APRIL**

Newsletter Information

Don't forget you can view this newsletter via our school website or if you download the QSchools app for your smart phones you can keep up to date with any new items that are uploaded to the website. **If you download the QSchools app it will send you notifications of updates to the website and you can add any of these to your calendar in your phone.**

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Website:

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