16 September 2016

Principal’s Report

Welcome to Week 8 Term 3.

Every Student Succeeding- Today’s Effort Tomorrow’s Success
Reading, Writing & Attendance: 2016 Improvement Agenda
Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday with loved ones.
The 10 weeks of Term 4 will fly! Where has the year gone?

Green Award
Congratulations to staff and students at Woodford P-10 State School on the presentation of the Positive Behaviour for Learning Green Award.

For a school to be acknowledged for implementing the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) framework at the highest level to receive the ‘Green Award’, the school PBL leadership team and school community ‘gets’ PBL, and in addition, is able to demonstrate a capability to implement the systems, practices and data informed decision making of Tier 1 on the PBL continuum with high fidelity.

Athletic Champion
Congratulations to Zion Collins who has been very successful at the Regional Athletics Trials.
Zion is off to State Titles and will be participating in Javelin, Long Jump and Triple Jump. Dedication to his chosen sport has proven successful.

Josh Arnold
Woodford P-10 State School is getting very excited about the up and coming Josh Arnold music workshop. At the end of

his time with us Josh with support from students will have produced a great film clip about our school and community.

Activities Galore
Over the past couple of weeks Woodford students have been very busy attending so many fantastic activities.

High Tea- Years 2 and 2/3 entertained family and staff with a magnificent high tea. Under the guidance of their teachers the children did an amazing job hosting this event.

Snow White Ballet - Year 10 with many of the secondary teachers attended the Snow White Ballet production at Lyric Theatre. They took the opportunity to eat out at an Italian Restaurant on South Bank. This was a great opportunity for our students to try something very different. Have you been to the ballet? Thank you Mrs Schutt for organising this cultural experience.

Billy Moore Cup - Students had a wonderful day and were very competitive.

Debating - The Junior Debating Team had outstanding performance and participation at Mt Mee.

X-Factor - What an outstanding evening! Parents and families had every reason to be very proud of the way their loved ones performed at the X-Factor finals on Friday night. A special thank you to Ms Neumeier and Mrs Thirlwell for their hard work leading up to and on the finals night. Thank you also to all staff and our P & C for your commitment to making the evening a success. Great to see our signing choir back under the guidance of Mrs Isdale. We were also entertained by past student Kelsey Lynn and teacher Mrs Liz Baker.

Valley Championships - A wonderful day was had by all at the Valley Championships. The students love the opportunity to be involved in interschool sports. A lovely way to spend a day in the last week of school.

Great state. Great opportunity.
Basket Ball - Secondary Basket Ball organised by Mr Murray has been so successful in encouraging positive behaviour throughout the week.

Milo into Cricket- Students were busy honing their cricket skills with the support of a visiting cricket coach.

Rugby League Workshop - Students thoroughly enjoyed the Rugby League Workshop.

Reading is a skill we can enjoy for the rest of our lives

Summarising: A summary is a shortened version of a text that contains all the main points. Summarising is an important skill that helps us when we are researching, gathering and presenting information. Finding key words and phrases helps us to summarise the text.

"My summary is that cheetahs are the fastest land animals in the world and that their bodies have made adaptations to help them to go fast."

."...I think Sarah sounds really nervous about giving her speech to the whole school.

Attendance
Still sitting above 90%.

Pre Prep Program
The 2017 Prep transition program has begun. Pre Preps are welcome to visit with parents/carers on the following morning this term:-

Friday 16 September 9:00-10:00am outside play (hat, water and morning tea)

Term 4 dates include Friday October 14, 21, 28 and November 4 with a culminating Parent Information Morning on Friday 11 November.

Safe and Supportive School Environment
(PBL-Positive Behaviour for Learning)

- Being Respectful- we follow directions promptly and positively
- Being Resilient – We reflect on all experiences

P & C News

Tuckshop News: Beginning Term 4 tuckshop days will be on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The tuckshop will be open both lunch breaks. A reminder will be sent home on Tuesday 4 October.

The P & C have been very busy over the past couple of weeks running the Disco, providing food at the X-Factor and working to support the Gala Day.

Looking forward to purchasing the “Tried and True from Woodford State School to You” recipe book. It looks fabulous. Thank you Holly and Kate.

Cyber Safety

Are your children safe online? Cyber safety is our business.

Keep your kids safe online - Resources for being cyber safe

Keep your children safe online. Use our resources to help teach to be cyber safe

Cyber Smart Kids Quiz


1. Cached
2. Similar

Hi Guys, I'm Sam and I want to see how cyber smart you can be. It's really important to be safe when you are online and together we are going to learn how.

Celebrating 135 years of Schooling in Woodford

Woodford P-10 State School Primary sector will be 135 years old in 2017. The Secondary Department will turn 50 in the same year. We are planning a big celebration and you are invited to a Meet and Greet on Friday evening, 24 March 2017, followed by a day full of fun and activities on Saturday 25 March 2017. At this point we are looking to create a book of memoirs and are looking for past and present students to share some of their treasured memories and a photo or two.

Keep the messages coming. If you would like to participate in our Book of Memoirs, please send your page to us by email, hard copy through the office or post. Email address: anniversary@woodfordss.eq.edu.au

Ronnie

Secondary News

Curriculum Guides and Subject Selection

Due to an issue involving the printing of the covers of our curriculum guides, there has been a delay in these and the subject selection forms going out. We hope to have them corrected by early Term 4.

2017 Year 7 Enrolment Interviews

Students entering Year 7 in 2017 are required to have an enrolment interview as this ensures a smoother transitioning into the Junior Secondary phase of schooling. Even if your child already attends Woodford School, you will need to have

presenter name
an interview. Interviews will involve the student, parent and Mr Pendergast and should last no longer than 30 minutes.

Appointment for interview can be made by contacting the office.

**First Lego League Competition**

Some of our Year 8 Students began the initial stages of the the First Lego League Competition. These students will be the team captains for district competitions during Term 4. Students in Years 5 to 8 will be able to join these at the beginning of Term 4. See Mr Pendergast for more information.

**HRE Lessons**

During Term 4, our school-based health nurse, Alex, will be presenting HRE (Human relationship Education) lessons. Topics to be covered in these lessons are outlined below.

- **Year 7** – Changing Bodies and Sexuality & Gender
- **Year 8** – Contraception, Sexual Health & STIs
- **Year 9** – Consent, Contraception & STIs
- **Year 10** – Alcohol & Consent, Contraception & Unintended Pregnancy

These lessons will be presented to girls and boys separately.

Students should have received notes regarding these lessons and only need to return the slip if you do not wish for your child to take part in the lessons. Alternatively, please contact the office if you do not wish your child to take part.

**Snow White**

As part of the schools ongoing commitment to providing students with a broad range of experiences the Year 10s had the opportunity to attended France’s Ballet Preljocaj’s contemporary retelling of Snow White. The evening began at 4:30pm when the bus departed school, nearly leaving Mrs Lynn behind. With rather heavy traffic and a quick pit stop on the way to pick up a couple of hitchhikers (Ms Logan and Ms Smith) we arrived at South Bank a little behind schedule and a little stressed (Ms Schutt). The staff at Cucina by Toscanis soon put us at ease serving up a banquet of pizza, pasta, salads and completely decadent thickshakes. While not everyone got exactly what they ordered (Brock) the staff at the restaurant did an amazing job in a very short timeframe. Having satisfied our hunger we did a quick power walk to the Lyric Theatre at QPAC to enjoy the spectacle that is Ballet Preljocaj’s Snow White. While some struggled to stay awake after a big day at school (Mr Murray) all agreed it was an amazing show, unlike any they had seen before. ‘This lush, full-length story ballet by French choreographer, Angelin Preljocaj, features massive sets, the magnificent excess of Gustav Mahler’s symphonies performed by the Queensland Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Johannes Fritsch, and an all-star roster of French artists including set design by Thierry Leproust, and costumes by legendary Haute Couture designer Jean Paul Gaultier.’ If you are speaking to the students ask about the cat getting stuck under the curtain or the dwarfs’ abselling down the rock cliff!

Another quick pit stop on the way home at Maccas saw someone jump a hedge in their eagerness to get some dessert (Mr Woods) and with that another memorable evening came to a close. I would like to congratulate the fifteen Year 10 students who attended (Chelsea, Rachael, Jaidyn, Heath, Karla, Mitchell, Brock, Shana, Ellen, Christine, Jodie, Kasey, Jessica, Lewis and Jack) on their excellent behaviour. Ultimately it is the students’ enthusiasm and zest which makes these nights so much fun and this year was no exception.

**Billy Moore Shield**

Last Wednesday, Mr Wallace, Ms Michelle and I had the pleasure of taking a couple of tackle football teams to the Billy Moore Shield competition in Maroochydore. To say that the day was a success would be greatly understating the outcome. We all had a ball!! Well, maybe the students had more ball than us, but, it was amazing. Driven by outstanding coaching, awesome team encouragement and sheer guts, both of our teams came away winners. Our junior team was undefeated in all games, and the seniors won 3 out of 4, being beaten by one try in the third game of the day.

I know that I felt proud to stand alongside the boys throughout all of the games, and I’m certain both Mr Wallace and Ms Michelle felt the same. Thanks boys for a truly awesome day. See, the training does pay off.

**XFactor**

Friday night was X-Factor, it was a great evening with an awesome turn out from the community. The students did an outstanding job doing each of their acts and they supported each other beautifully. I would love to say they are all winners however on the evening there can be only one act from each age group.

**The winners for X-Factor 2016;**

- P-2; Amy Klein (singing)
- 3-6; Kayla Henry (dancing)
- 7-10; Xander, Ben and Tylissa (magic act)
Thank you again to all the amazing people who were able to help throughout the process of X-Factor; auditions, practising and the actual evening, including those brave and incredible people who were our intermission acts.

**Regional Athletics**

On Thursday 1 and Friday 2 September Sam Grice and Zion Collins represented our school at the Regional Athletics Trials. These trials were held at the Sippy Downs University.

Sam ran 3rd in his heat but unfortunately missed the final 8 – having qualified 9th fastest overall. Still an awesome effort Sam – Well Done!

Zion placed 1st in Javelin – throwing a personal best with 44.05 m. Zion also placed 3rd in the Triple Jump with a jump of 11.90m and 3rd in the Long Jump with a jump of 5.78m. Zion will now represent the Sunshine Coast Regional Team and will compete in all 3 events at the State Athletics Championships to be held in Brisbane in October.

This is an outstanding effort! Congratulations Zion and we wish you all the best at State’s.

**Year 9 – ITD**

The final debate for the year was held at Kilcoy State School last Wednesday. This was a formal, prepared debate where the students had a term to research and present their arguments.

Woodford’s Rebuttal Rhino’s were the negative team arguing against the topic, ‘The working week should be only four days long’. Although they were narrowly defeated, both Jada Keig and Savannah Sayers were awarded certificates acknowledging their efforts with the ‘Persuasive Point Scorer’ and ‘Most Improved’ respectively.

Our second team, ‘Sweet Dolphins’ were the affirmative team for the topic ‘The Olympics are a waste of money’. Both teams put together very convincing arguments and the judges were unable to call a clear winner. It was declared a tie. Congratulations to Priyah Kingston, Tiana Franz and Kaylia Sippel.
Cricket

Representative from Qld Cricket visited our school to promote and introduce cricket skills

Year 1 Excursion

On Friday 2 September, the year ones made the journey out to the Stanley River Environmental Education Centre. For many it was their first time on a bus, which was super exciting! During the course of the day, students took part in a ‘Bunyip Hunt’ of many activities which required them to use their five senses. The final activity, a picnic, was a favourite for many of the students. A wonderful day was had by all, and although the bunyip was not found, the hunt goes on as each of the students have developed skills to continue on their search.

Rugby League Workshop

Year 1 Celebrate Book Week

Our very talented Year 1 students illustrate and describe their character. Awesome work Year 1.

Year 2 High Tea

On Monday 5 September the 2A & 2/3C class hosted a high tea for our parents and invited guests. The high tea was the end product of the learning we had done this term.

In English & Science students learnt about reading, writing and following procedures which they then used to create recipes, and invitations.

In Technology they used publisher to create their name badges and power point to display their learning and to help with speeches on the day.

In Math they were learning about money, adding decimals, multiplication, mls, litres and fractions. The best part was students learnt that you can eat your maths for example ½ a strawberry, 1/10 of a banana and 1/8 of a slice of pineapple with a few mls of chocolate sauce makes a banana split.

In Art students used different design and painting techniques to print their t-shirts and make all the display items for the day.

Students reported that the best about learning this term was that no matter what subject they were doing it all related to one idea and that idea came together in the high tea and they were no longer saying when asked by their parents what have you learnt today or what did you do at school today and their answer being ……nothing or I don’t know. This was because this term the learning was fun and they were keen to keep their parents updated on their progress.

Positive Behaviour for Learning Award
QParent

Would you like to:
- check your child’s timetable on your phone, tablet or computer?
- access your child’s report cards online?
- pay school invoices online with a credit card?
- notify the school of your child’s absences and monitor attendance?
- engage more closely with your child’s school?

Visit qparents.qld.edu.au to find out more.

Middle School Awards

Early Years Awards

Woodford Swim Club

Prep Transitioning Program

Goal Post, Goalie, and Boy Playing Football

Parent Invitation

The Caboolture Early Years Centre is taking expressions of interest for a brand new program they are offering this month, The Seasons for Growth Parent Program: Supporting your child following the death of a loved one.

The 2.5 hour program provides an opportunity for you to reflect on the experience of bereavement from your child’s perspective and to explore ideas and strategies that might help you support your children through the loss and change they are experiencing.

Seasons for Growth Parent Program: Supporting your child following the death of someone they love is offered in one session and is for parents only.

Date, time and location are yet to be decided. The program is free of charge.

For more information or to express your interest taking part in the Seasons for Growth Parent Program, please contact Elizabeth on 5428 177 or by email at Elizabeth.oasten@joyc.ladygrove.qld.gov.au

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