5 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

Happiness: What we have done for ourselves dies with us. What we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal. Albert Pine

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

Inferring: Inferring is being able to ‘read between the lines’, when the author implies something but doesn’t exactly state it. You need to use the clues in the text and pictures as well as your own prior knowledge to help you understand. “Sarah’s mouth was dry and she had a big knot in her stomach. She wished today was already over.” . . . I think Sarah sounds really nervous about giving her speech to the whole school.

Book Week/Fair

What a fabulous week we have had celebrating Book Week and Book Fair!! Dress up on Thursday was amazing so many book characters and so many participants from Prep to Year 10 along with an outstanding response from staff. Congratulations to all and special thankyou to Ms Foster and Mrs McGregor. So many staff are supporting behind the scenes. Book Fair was also wonderful. Thankyou to all our supporters and special thankyou to Ms Margaret and all the staff and parents who have supported her throughout the week. Morning tea was enjoyed by all who attended and yes I went to snavel a cupcake!!!!

Attendance

Still sitting above 90%. End of term is always hard for children and families. Little ones are usually tired by this time of the term and our older students will be focusing on all the assessment tasks they will have due over the next two weeks. My suggestion is take one day at a time and find a reason to smile and before you know it holidays will be here.

QUT Visit for Science Week

QUT entertained our students and staff with an incredible Street Science Show for Science Week last Thursday. Lots of fun and laughter with some very thought provoking activities were enjoyed by all.

Buffaway Luncheon

Thankyou to Mrs Just and her Home Ec students for the wonderful buffet lunch on Wednesday this week. The food was amazing. Staff at Woodford P-10 State School are extremely spoilt.

Year 7 ITD Projects

Year 7 are very proud of the photo frames they have completed in their Industrial Technology and Design Subject with Mr Woods. They were proud to come to the office to share their innovative work.
Regional Athletics

Good luck to Zion and Sam at the Regional Athletics

Pre-Prep Program

It is that time of the year again where our Pre-Prep students will be spending some time transitioning into the 2017 Prep environment. Pre-Preps are welcome to visit with parents/carers on the following mornings this term:

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

Dates for term 4 will be made available at the school office, local day care facilities and posted on notice board outside the ANZ Bank. Please contact us if you need further information.

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

- **Being Respectful:** We speak kindly and politely to each other
- **Being Resilient:** We are open to critical feedback

From the wisdom of my grandmother who always said “if you cannot say something nice to someone don’t say anything at all.” She also said that if you going looking for faults in people you will always find them as none of us are perfect.

P & C News

All who attended Trivia Night will agree they had a wonderful evening. Thank you so very much to our P & C and all the incredible sponsors and prize givers within our community and beyond. No one went home disappointed. I must say I was a little disappointed I was unable to bribe the markers!!!!

Cyber Safety

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

Keep your kids safe online - Resources for being cyber safe
http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/

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

*Ronnie.*

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**Year 10 Home Ec Buffaway**

Teachers were recently treated to a buffet lunch prepared and served up by our talented Year 10 Home Ec students under the guidance of Mrs Just. Numerous entrees, mains and delicious desserts were on offer for all to enjoy. Thanks Mrs Just and the Home Ec class.

**First Lego League Competition**

Some of our Year 8 Students began the initial stages of 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.

**Curriculum Guides and Subject Selection Forms**

Each family with a student in high school in 2017 will receive a curriculum guide during week 9. Students in Year 8 and 9 will also receive their subject selection forms. Remember – the subject selection process is based on a first-in, first-served basis, meaning students who return their selection forms early, will have the best chance of being placed in the subject of their choice.

**Book Week and Book Fair**

It is clear that if behaviour and academics are linked, each affects the other; effective pedagogy can improve the behavioural climate of the school; the behaviour climate, supported by PBL, can allow the pedagogy to be more effective. The presentation of the School Excellent Award – Positive Behaviour for Learning Green award will be presented at Parade on Tuesday 6 September.
2017 Year 7 Enrolment Interviews

2017 Year 7 Enrolment Interviews are available from Thursday, August 18 until Thursday, September 15

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

Appointment for an interview can be made by contacting the office.

Year 6 Graduation Polo Shirts

Year 6 students have the opportunity to purchase a Graduation Shirt for 2016. Cost of the shirts will be $15.00. Order forms have been sent home and need to be returned to the office by Wednesday 14 September.

New Vegetable Garden – Thanks Wamuran Timbers

A big thankyou to Wamuran Timbers for kindly donating sleepers for our new vegetable garden.

Valley Championships Football and Netball

The Valley Championship League Tag/Netball Carnival will be held on Thursday 15 September. Netball will be played at our multi purpose courts with football being held at the Stanley River Football grounds. A bus will transport football students to and from the football grounds. A canteen will be operating at both the school and football grounds for your convenience. Good luck to all our teams.

Billy Moore Cup

Selected students will be travelling to Maroochydore Rugby League Football Club on Wednesday 7 September to compete in the Billy Moore Cup. Bus will depart at 8.00 am sharp.

QUT Visit – Science Week

X Factor Finals

Trivia Night

Trivia Night Fun. A great night was had by all. A profit of approximately $3500 was achieved and this will go towards air-conditioning some of the high school classrooms. The support from businesses in our community was amazing - we had an amazing range of raffle prizes We plan to hold another Trivia Night in 2017. Thank you to everyone for your support to make this night a wonderful success.

Year 6 Music Talent
Middle School Awards

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