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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back from Canberra to our weary students and teachers. A huge thank you to Ms Belinda Couper, Ms Ngaire Miller, Ms Carmel Flemming, Ms Kristine Atkins, Ms Sharon Herman and Ms Melissa Allen for escorting our students and spending time away from their own families. I look forward to hearing from the students this week and invite parents to the Canberra Assembly next Monday at 9am in the hall.

Our thoughts are with Ms Rachael Doucet whose father passed away last week. Please welcome her replacement Senior Band and Instrumental Teacher, Mr Allan Lanham, who is a very experienced teacher and is looking forward to continuing the great program of learning developed by Ms Doucet.

Sadly, Ms Cappler is still unable to return to school following a motor vehicle accident in the July holidays. This week we welcome Ms Julie Chapman to the 2C class and Julie will continue until Fallon's return. We also farewell Ms Lisa Macpherson at the end of this week as she takes leave and returns in term four. Ms Carolyn Schuler will be joining our Year 5 team so please make her welcome.

### School Vision and Focus

Congratulations to all of our Ascot students in Years 3 and 5 and the dedicated professionals who educate them at our school. This week we received our school and individual NAPLAN results and the results speak for themselves. Whilst our whole school focus remains on Reading these results clearly show the explicit links between reading and writing with our school bucking the national and state trend of a decline in Writing performance. The percentage of students performing in the upper two bands is impressive and I am extremely delighted with the performance of our Ascot students.

Below is a brief preliminary summary from our initial perusal. Please note a more detailed NAPLAN report will be shared with parents later this term. Parents received individual student reports this week.

YEAR 3 NAPLAN RESULTS

Results	Reading			Writing			Spelling			Grammar Punctuation &			Numeracy		
	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS
Ascot	470.4	59.1	98.2	442.7	67.3	99.1	454.4	69.1	99.1	503.3	85.5	100	445.5	54.5	99.1
Qld	425.2	48.7	95.6	402.3	37.2	95.5	408.7	42.4	93.7	437	55	95.2	402.1	36	95.7
Aust	431.3	51.5	95	413.6	44.7	95.5	416.2	45.5	93.5	439.3	55.7	94.3	409.4	39.6	95.5

YEAR 5 NAPLAN RESULTS

Results	Reading			Writing			Spelling			Grammar Punctuation &			Numeracy		
	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS	Mean	U2B	NMS
Ascot	533.7	47.3	95.6	499.5	29.7	98.9	516.9	39.6	97.8	530.5	50.5	96.7	523.4	45.1	100
Qld	502.7	35.3	94.5	461.4	12.6	89.6	496.5	31.6	94.2	496	32.9	92.5	490.4	25.7	96
Aust	505.6	36.9	94	472.5	15.9	91.7	500.9	34.2	93.8	499.3	34.3	92.3	493.8	27.8	95.4

Mean – the average score  
U2B – students achieving in the top two bands for each year level  
NMS – percentage of students performing at or above the National Minimum Standard

### School and Community Partnerships

The annual suite of *School Opinion Surveys* are being conducted until 25 August 2017. All families, school staff and a random sample of students will be invited to participate.

Access details for the *Parent/Caregiver Survey* were sent home with students last week. This is an online survey and parents must follow the instructions on the School Opinion Survey Parent/Caregiver Survey 2017 form to complete. Parents/caregivers are welcome to complete their survey online at the school and school computers will be available on Friday mornings in the Computer Lab from 8.15-9.00am until Friday 25 August 2017.

Thank you to those families who have already completed the survey.

You may also request translations of the survey. Enquiries may be directed to administration on telephone 07 3326 9333 or email [admin@ascotss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@ascotss.eq.edu.au).

Our preparations are in full swing for the Big Day Out on Saturday 9 September. Please ensure you stay tuned to the countdown to the Big Day Out with emails from your Class Parent Rep and reminders on Assembly each Monday.

Have a great week.

Regards



**Gayle Coleman, Principal**

## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL: PREP - YEAR 2

Prep interviews start this week for the 2018 school year. Any family wishing to enrol their child may collect and enrolment pack from the office, return it ASAP and book an enrolment interview. We do these as early as possible so that on Prep Transition days (Wednesday November 1 and Thursday November 2) students are able to meet their actual class teachers and teacher aides for 2018.

**Roxanne Smith, (Prep-Year 2)**

## BOUQUETS

To all of our Ascot State School teachers, including all support staff and teacher aides, for the exceptional work they do every day to support student growth.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 5	EVENTS
Wednesday 9/8/17	8.15-9.30am: Uniform Shop 9.00am: Student Banking Prep 2018 Enrolment Interviews 7.30pm: P&C Meeting (Staff Room)
Thursday 10/8/17	8.15-9.30am: Uniform Shop
Friday 11/8/17	Year 2 ICAS Maths Competition
WEEK 6	
Monday 14/8/17	8.15-9.30am: Uniform Shop 9.00am: Years 3-6 Canberra Assembly 10.30am: Prep-Year 2 Assembly Prep 2018 Enrolment Interviews
Tuesday 15/8/17	ICAS Maths Competition 2C, 2D & 2E Newstead House Excursion EKKA Meal Deal Prep 2018 Enrolment Interviews

WEEK 5	EVENTS
Wednesday 16/8/17	Royal Queensland Show Public Holiday

## PAYMENT PROCESS CHANGE – INCURSIONS, EXCURSIONS & CAMPS

The school will no longer issue Term Accounts. Instead, events will be invoiced individually.

As the school is required to pay for events in advance, it is necessary to enforce a cut off date for payments. **NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

The Department of Education & Training is moving towards a cash free payment platform. Schools are being encouraged to promote the use of BPoint for payments and schools will no longer be able to either receive nor store credit card details directly. If parents contact the school to pay outstanding accounts over the phone our office staff will redirect them to the BPoint facility for payment to be made. Parents who have not registered for QParents will be asked to register shortly and this app enables parents to view their school accounts and to pay multiple invoices in one payment. **WATCH THIS SPACE!**

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who received an Award at Assembly on Monday:

PA	Charles T	3A	Florence M
PB	Emiliana A	3B	Olivia B
PC	Jack S	3C	Tyson L
PD	Finnley B	3D	Thomas Z
PE	Hayden W	3E	Ella H
1A		4A	Jake S
1B	Lachlan E	4B	Michael D
1C	Alyssa E	4C	Amy M
1D	Henry B	4D	Cooper H
1E	Johnathan Z	5/4	Pascal K
1F	Holly F	5A	Isabella C
2A	Fenton S	5B	Remy S
2B	Teniola I	5C	Spencer W
2C	Ivy J	6A	
2D	Jack McG	6B	
2E	Georgina C	6C	Hope J

## GOLDEN TICKET AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were great citizens in the playground and acknowledged on assembly:

Ashley J - PA	Aurora L – 3D
Zara P - PC	Oscar O'H – 3E
Milla O'B - IC	Oliver H – 4B
Bella-Rose C-C – 2A	Lewis W – 4B

## BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS



Book Week will be celebrated at Ascot State School from Monday 21 to Friday 25 August. Classes have already commenced reading the shortlisted Book of the Year Awards - Early Childhood category. When completed, classes will vote for their favourite book to determine Ascot's winner. We wonder if the judges of this year's Book Week prizes will agree with us. We also have a display in the library of a selection of books nominated for Picture Book of the Year and Book of the Year for Young Readers.

We will open our Book Week Celebrations with a dress up day on Monday 21st August. Students are invited to come dressed as their favourite book, character or author. We will hold our normal P-2 and 3-6 assemblies, where students will be able to show off their costumes to the rest of the school.

For alternative dress up ideas, the theme for this year is 'Escape to Everywhere'. The theme is about how books allow us to escape this world and go into places where you can experience other cultures, countries and times both real and imaginary. Reading can help some people escape and live for a few hours as another character.

*"Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are."*

**Mason Cooley**

**Kristine Atkins, eLearning Manager**

## MUSIC NEWS

Our Brass and Percussion Teacher, Ms Doucet is on leave for the next 3 weeks. Her replacement is Mr Lanham who will be conducting the Senior Band, Brass Ensemble rehearsals and taking her group lessons on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

The Junior Band Rehearsals are continuing with Mss Dykes on Friday mornings in the MUSIC ROOM at 7.45am. It is wonderful to see our beginner instrumentalists improving their musicianship skills each week.

The My Fair Lady Mini Musical Rehearsals are conducted each Friday lunch time at 1.15pm in the Music Room. Auditions for solo parts will commence soon on Tuesdays at 1.15pm. This Friday is the boy's chorus rehearsal.

If you have any questions please contact the Music Department.

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## P.E. NEWS

### District Athletics

Ryan C, Pedro H, Ethan M, Oliver P, Hunta T, Isla F, Isabella H, Jemima M, Ruby H, Emma S and Grace T will be attending the Metropolitan North Athletics Carnival at UQ on August 22 and 23. Completed forms must be returned to Mr Harris or Ms Graham by next Wednesday August 9 as we have to deliver them to the Carnival Convenor by August 11.

### Summer Gala Days Term 4 – October 7, 13 & 20

Children in Years 4–6 will soon be choosing their sport for the summer Gala Days. Children will nominate two preferences and every endeavour will be made to allocate them to one of those sports. Team nominations for each sport are constrained by teacher numbers and bus capacity. Once children have nominated and then been assigned a sport, buses are ordered and sports rolls are created so no changes will be made. Please talk to your child about their choices before they nominate. Sports and venues are listed below:

<b>AFL</b>	Mouthguards required	Zillmere
<b>T20 Cricket</b>		Norths Cricket, Shaw Road
<b>Touch</b>	Boys and girls at separate venues	Norths Hockey, Shaw Road/ Brothers Stafford
<b>Baseball</b>		Hendra All Stars
<b>Flipperball</b>		Various school pools

Children will be given permission forms to complete in the next few weeks detailing cost and other information. Children will not be allowed to attend unless payment is made by the due date, which will fall before Gala Days commence.

## City District Cricket Trials

Any 12 year old boys (born 2005) who play cricket for a club and/or possess very good cricket skills and would like to trial on August 25 (8.30am–12.00pm) at Victoria Park, Kelvin Grove, need to come and see Mr Harris/Ms Graham straight away to nominate.

**Alayne Graham, Prep-Year 2, Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs,**  
**agrah27@eq.edu.au**

**Paul Harris, Years 3-6, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri,**  
**pharr17@eq.edu.au**

## REMINDER: P&C MEETING TONIGHT

WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST AT 7.30PM IN  
STAFF ROOM

## FRIENDS OF MUSIC

Thank you to our Music Teacher, Ms Connie Lien, Friends of Music parents and the students who kindly volunteered to make the Year 1 Disco a huge success.

The Prep Disco, proudly supported by Amanda Butler of Butler & Co Estate Agents, is on next Friday 18 August and the Year 4/5 Disco on 25 August. Please refer to flyers for more details.

If you are interested in becoming next year's FoM Convenor please join us at the next disco to learn the ropes.

Our Discos make up some of the social highlights of the year which the children really look forward to. Friends of Music events help raise valuable funds that support the excellent and highly regarded music program offered at Ascot State School.

To find out more about volunteering or becoming next year's FoM Convenor, please email FOM@ascotss.eq.edu.au.

**Nathalie S, FoM Convenor**

## PREP DISCO: FRIDAY 18 AUGUST

Click the link below for details of the Prep Disco on Friday 18 August or collect a flyer from the Office.

## YEARS 4 & 5 DISCO: FRIDAY 25 AUGUST

Click the link below for details of the Years 4 & 5 Disco on Friday 25 August or collect a flyer from the Office.

## FROM THE TUCKSHOP

### Ekka Meal Deal Class 2C, 2D & 2E

Tuckshop has been advised that Class 2C, 2D & 2E will be absent from the school for the Ekka Meal Deal. If you would like your child to have this Meal Deal, please order as normal and we will provide to those classes only on Thursday 17 August. If

you wish to cancel your order please ring Flexischools on 1300 361 769.

## EKKA Meal Deal

The Tuckshop will be having their EKKA Meal Deal on Tuesday 15 August. Order via Flexischools by Friday 11 August. Due to the sheer volume of orders, this will be the only lunch available on the day. Breakfast and morning tea can be ordered as normal.

## Woolworths Earn and Learn

From 26 July to 19 September Woolworths is running their Earn and Learn Program. For every \$10.00 spent at Woolworths you will receive a sticker place this on the sticker sheets provided at Woolworths. Fill it up and return the full sticker sheet to the Tuckshop. At the end of the program we will receive learning resource for the school.

**Katherine, Yolanda & the Tuckshop Committee**

## TUCKSHOP ROSTERS

Tuckshop - Group 2		Home Bake - Group 2	
Monday 14/7/17	May S, Paola B	Monday 14/7/17	Steph P, May S
Tuesday 15/7/17	Louise A, Melanie B	Tuesday 15/7/17	Jodie R, Karen L
Wednesday 16/7/17	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	Wednesday 16/7/17	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
Thursday 17/7/17	Marie J, Kerry D, Shellie L	Thursday 17/7/17	Anna Q, Bianca F, Fiona B
Friday 18/7/17	Catherine S-A, Carol B	Friday 18/7/17	Leta D, Joleen H, Natasha S

## UNIFORM SHOP

### Do you need a new school or sports bag!



This waterproof sports bag fits a cricket bat, netball or soccer ball and is available at the Uniform Shop for \$52.00. With a separate waterproof pocket, it is perfect to separate any wet items from your school books or dry clothing.

### Second hand uniforms

The Uniform Shop currently has a good range of second hand uniforms for boys and girls. Come in and have a look as the stock range constantly changes. Please note - second hand items are not available for phone or Flexischools orders.

## Uniform Shop Hours

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 8.15-9.30am

**Phone:** 3862 2476

**Email:** [uniformshop@ascotss.eq.edu.au](mailto:uniformshop@ascotss.eq.edu.au)

<http://www.flexischools.com.au>

We look forward to assisting you.

### **The Uniform Shop Team**

## SWIM CLUB

Registrations are now open via Flexischools. Swimming will commence Friday 6 October (the first week in Term 4). Please see our flyer attached for more info.

**Charles & Jodie Ascot Swim Club,**  
[swimclub@ascotss.eq.edu.au](mailto:swimclub@ascotss.eq.edu.au)

## UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

Group 3	
Monday 14/8/17	Paula S
Wednesday 16/8/17	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
Thursday 17/8/17	Leigh B

## PRELOVED ON PRINGLE

### VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

**We need volunteers at the Ascot Big Day Out. Year 3 parents, please sign up on the sheets provided in the class rooms.**

Click the link below or collect a flyer from the Office.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**National Karate Academies** are extremely proud of the partnership with Ascot State School and we look forward to continuing to grow together. If you are interested in joining National Karate Academies, your first lesson is always free. Come and join us on Monday nights. If you or any member of your family or friends would like to experience a practical self-defence class, please join us at St. Margaret's Philip Harris Sports Centre, Lapraik Street, Ascot 6pm for Juniors and 7pm for Seniors (over 13 years). Mums and Dads can join in and enjoy a sport with the kids! Please contact Dai Sempai Hamish James on 0439 717 483 for further details.

**Rookies2Reds at Ascot State School** on Thursday afternoons 17/8-14/9. Coaching sessions tailored to your age group. Little Legends (5-7 years), Junior Champs (8-9 years)

and Future Stars (10-11 years). 3.10-4.10pm on oval. Cost \$60.00 includes Family pass to a St. George Queensland Reds home game of your choice, 10% off Reds merchandise (excludes sale items), St. George Rookies2reds pack. Begin your journey from Rookie2Red today. Register online at [Rookies2reds.com.au](http://Rookies2reds.com.au) or call 1300 753 733. Follow us on Instagram: @rookies2reds.2017.

**Brothers Touch Association Girls Touch Football Season 2** Registrations now open commencing 25/8-24 November. \$120 per player. 2017 season 2 age groups U10 – Born 2007-2008, U12, born 2005-2006, U14+ Mums – 2004. Max 12 players (6 players on field at one time). Teams will need to supply own manager and referee. Register today at [www.brothersrugby.com](http://www.brothersrugby.com).