**Issue 7 – Wednesday 11 March 2015**

**FROM GAYLE COLEMAN: PRINCIPAL**

**Student Successes**

Congratulations to our students who participated in the Wavell High School Problem Solving Challenge on Monday. Our Year 5 team came third place with 118 points and our Year 6 team was placed fourth. Well done and we are in training for 2016.

Congratulations to Mr Nick Marsh and the fantastic 4/3 students for their skits on inclusivity - it’s everybody’s business. There are some budding young public speakers, actors and dancers in the class.

Congratulations to Miss Sophie Barker and her delightful Year 2 students who reminded us of the importance of taking turns.

Congratulations to the winners of the Aquathon competition during H.P.E Week and to PD (Prep-Year 2) and 6/5 (Years 3-6) for winning the hoops competition. Many thanks to Mrs Graham and Mr Harris for organising these events for our students.

Congratulations to the following students for selection in District sporting teams:

- AFL team: Lachlan H, Lachlan Z, Jackson H and Gus D
- Hockey team: Lucy H and Charlotte J
- Rugby League: Moni S and Lachlan R.

**Learning Targets**

Last week we had the opportunity to host the Queensland Academies Partnership Schools (QAPS) first meeting for 2015 at Ascot State School. This consortium comprises a network of schools and cluster based initiatives that collaboratively offer programs that support exceptional learning outcomes for highly capable students. The chair of the committee is Kathy Mackey from the Queensland Academy of Science, Mathematics and Technology. Visit the Queensland Academies to find out more about their innovative programs - [http://qa.eq.edu.au/news-events/](http://qa.eq.edu.au/news-events/).

Ascot State School shared our Learning Target Program that caters for differentiation for all students. Learning targets are set to differentiate and personalise learning with students setting learning targets in Number, Reading, Writing, Spelling and Personal/Social skills. Students at Ascot State School develop learning targets within the overarching context of a particular unit and they relate directly to the learning outcomes teachers set for their unit or program. Personal/Social targets may relate to the class Habit of Mind and is personalised for each student. Targets are written as declarations of intent such as the examples below:

The feedback was very complementary as this is a growth area in schools and highlights the excellent work being undertaken in our classrooms. May I encourage you to ask your child what individual learning targets they have set for the remaining four weeks of Term 1. Many thanks to Angela Dawson and the teaching staff and students for sharing their learning targets.

**Dr Andrew Martin**

Thank you to Mrs Deanne Clark, our Student Success Coach, for coordinating the parent, student and staff presentations on student success and well-being by Dr Martin. Once again Dr Martin presented his motivation wheel and discussed the eleven factors that most assist or impede your child’s academic potential. Dr Martin also talked about Personal Best goals (PB) which aligns very well with our school target setting practices. He made a distinction between process PB goals and outcome PB goals and highlighted the importance of increasing the emphasis of personal excellence and reducing the focus on comparisons with others. His books, "How to Help your child fly through Life" and "How to Motivate your Child" are highly recommended.

Last week we also welcomed our new Special Education Teacher, Ms Patricia Arbuckle, to Ascot State School. Ms Arbuckle will be working collaboratively with classroom teachers, our Head of Special Education Services, Mrs Roxanne Smith, and our Special Education Team to ensure all
students with disabilities are being supported. Please pop in and welcome Ms Arbuckle to the school community.

Finally, I look forward to meeting parents tonight at the School Council welcome evening. I hope you can join us.

Regards

G Coleman

Gayle Coleman
Principal

BOUQUETS

A large bouquet to the following parents for organising the Sunday Family Picnic - Peter A, Kim H, Natalie McG, Claudia DeB and Michael S. Also to the Little Brothers staff who did a fantastic job of engaging our children in some fun activities. Thank you to Boydell Property Agents for sponsoring the event.

FROM YOUR P&C

For those parents new to Ascot, a decision was made in 2013 by the Ascot State School community and staff to become an Independent Public School (IPS). As an IPS school we have greater autonomy in decision making processes to enhance student learning. As an IPS, Ascot was required to form a school council.

At the end of 2014, the Ascot State School Council was formed with members including the Principal, P&C President, two elected staff, two elected parents plus two appointed community members. Current Members for 2015 are: Gayle Coleman, Principal; Sarah Comiskey, P&C President; Nick Marsh, Staff; Belinda Mason, Staff; Pat Gerry, Parent; Jono Perry, Parent; Michael Walsh, Community Member and Professor John Bell, Community Member

A few facts about the Ascot State School Council:

- The School Council approves, advises and monitors the strategic direction of the school.
- The School Council’s role is to support administration and staff to ensure the best learning outcomes for our students.
- All members of the School Council volunteer their time.
- The School Council does not employ or recruit staff.
- The School Council will meet six times annually to drive the strategic direction of the school.
- Every two years there will nominations sought for the election of two staff and two parent positions.

The School Council wants and values your input. We invite “traffic light” suggestions from all staff and parents. This correspondence will be tabled at each meeting. It can be anonymous. We want to hear what it is the school does well (green), what it can improve (orange) and what really needs attention (red). Just as the school community collaboratively decided to become an IPS, we need to work together to improve Ascot and ensure our children have bright futures with endless opportunities. Emails can be sent to schoolcouncil@ascotss.eq.edu.au

Or else, join us this evening at 7.30pm in the Staff Room to formally welcome Gayle Coleman and meet the School Council members.

Sarah Comiskey, P&C President

UPCOMING EVENTS

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FROM MRS HADDEN: MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARS 3-6

The Family Picnic day last Sunday was a lovely example of a strong school community who can work and play equally well together. Well done to the organisers for a great initiative.

The children of 4/3 shared some great skits at their assembly which was based on the week’s theme of Inclusive Behaviour. Wonderful to see the understanding children develop of how their own behaviour and attitude can impact positively or negatively on others. Building solid, caring citizens who respect other is a great achievement. Congratulations 4/3 – great job!

Cybersafety

Parents, it is essential that social media sites are regularly monitored to ensure your child’s safety and to check the online company they are keeping. Teachers are regularly talking to their students about correct online behaviour and safety but children do not access these sites from school. All social media sites have an age limit which I would encourage you to check. If you feel your child may be exposed to bullying or unsuitable conversations don’t allow them to remain on the sites.

Assembly

Next week our assembly will be presented by 3C and we look forward to another entertaining performance.
The awards for the week are based on “ICE,” an integral aspect of our School Behaviour Plan.

Middle school children learn that Ignore - Confront – Explain are the three strategies to use in situations where conflicts occur.

Ignore – the first strategy which can work well when dealing with a situation – this could work for a child in a one-off situation and at times can stop situations escalating.

Confront - often those annoying or teasing other children need to have the power removed by being told to stop in a firm manner.

Explain – other strategies have not been successful so the time has come to report and seek help and support.

Well done to the following children who respect their rights and the rights of others.

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Well done to the students who represented their school at the Wavell Problem Solving Challenge. The teams performed well and more importantly were impressive in the manner they conducted themselves. Great job!

Have an enjoyable week.

Sharyn Hadden, Deputy Principal

FROM MRS PROVOST-BOYLE: EARLY YEARS
PREP-YEAR 2

We’re now in Week 7 of a ten week term. Hasn’t it gone quickly.

I’ve noticed a number of children are feeling tired, particularly some of the Prep children. Children need a good night’s sleep and a decent breakfast to sustain their energy levels through the day. There is still so much leaning to engage in before the end of the term.

As always there’s a lot happening in the school:

Easter Hat Parade

Our Prep Easter Hat Parade and Grandparents Day will be held on Thursday 2 April from 11.45am-12.15pm followed by light lunch in the Covered Games Court. Please join us for this wonderful occasion.

Junior Assembly

Congratulations 2E and Miss Barker on a fabulous assembly!

Student of the Week
Prep-Year 2

Next week’s student of the week award is for “Making New Friends”. Congratulations to:

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Date | Wellbeing Focus | Class | Assembly Focus
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| Use your Self Control and be aware of choosing kind words with your teachers and friends | | |
23 March | Be Proactive Everyone is Special Acceptance of others says a lot about you! | 1D | Using the Hi 5
30 March | Be Proactive Show Respect for yourself and others. “Would it be right?” is a good question to ask yourself. | 2B | Following Directions

Have a wonderful week.

**Melissa Provost-Boyle, Deputy Principal**

**FROM ANGELA DAWSON**

Differentiation at Ascot State School

I regularly have parents ask me, “What does differentiation mean for my child at Ascot?” I explain that differentiated instruction in its simple form is centred on providing a variety of instructional methods and ways to meet the needs of a variety of learners.

Our teachers are aware that individual students have a variety of needs and as a result of this teachers proactively plan a variety of methods to enable students to express their learning. Planning with differentiation in mind supports the teacher to be prepared to meet the needs of every student, in every class, every day.

Carol Ann Tomlinson suggests that effective teachers are conscious of four elements. When using the differentiated approach in the classroom, teachers can offer different approaches to what students learn, how they learn it, how they demonstrate what they have learnt and where and when students learn and the support that they are given to do so. The following are the four areas of this model of differentiation:

- **Content** (what students learn)
- **Process** (how students learn)
- **Product** (how students demonstrate what they have learnt)
- **Environment** (the way the classroom works and feels).

**Why** do our teachers differentiate? We want all students to have maximum access to the curriculum and to grow in their learning in the best way possible. We want students to feel successful and valued and to encourage them in life-long learning.

**For Whom** do our teachers differentiate? The main groups that come to mind when differentiating the curriculum are usually the Gifted and Talented plus students with disabilities and learning needs. ALL students, however, can be presented with differentiated pathways in a classroom that caters for learning styles, interests and other needs.

**When** should our teachers differentiate? Differentiation occurs all of the time in every subject area but may be formal or informal.

**How** do our teachers differentiate for their students? A teacher can differentiate by varying their instructional technique, by providing differing methods for students to communicate their learning, by altering the difficulty of a task, by catering for different learning styles and by adapting or changing the curriculum.

Firstly, teachers need to know the curriculum intent: What are students expected to know/do? Secondly, teachers have to KNOW their students (pre-assessments, learning styles/ Multiple Intelligences checklists, previous years’ work folio, etc.). Thirdly, decide HOW they will vary the pathways through the subject. This might include eliminating already known elements, extending some elements due to it being new content or having students starting at different places in the unit of work.

**Ascot Thinkers’ Club**

We have been meeting for the last two weeks and have been having heaps of fun. If your child is in Years 3 or 4 they are more than welcome to come along to the Art Room on Thursdays at 1:15pm.

Have a great week.

**Angela Dawson, (DoL/Differentiation Teacher)**

**STUDENT SUCCESS AND MOTIVATION**

On Wednesday 4 March, Ascot State School welcomed Dr Andrew Martin, Professor of Educational Psychology at the University of New South Wales.

Over forty parents, our Years 5/6 students and the Ascot staff all had the wonderful opportunity to hear Dr Martin present on, *Motivation, Engagement, Learning and Personal Potential*. Andrew’s presentations were very rewarding and match Ascot’s core values and beliefs about schooling.

Dr Martin describes motivation as “students’ energy and drive to learn, work effectively and achieve and the thoughts and behaviours that reflect this”.

We know that motivated and engaged students achieve. But what does that mean and how can we ensure our students maintain their love of learning and improving?

Dr Martin’s research is critical for teachers, students and parents as it “drills down” Motivation into eleven parts/segments. Dr Martin refers to these segments as, “the good, the bad and the ugly” of motivation. Knowing the parts of motivation, helps our students maintain their motivation, regardless if they are in Prep or studying at university.

Self-belief is one of the “good” elements of Motivation. Andrew asked our students to focus on their self-belief by patting
themselves on the back for all daily success. Success that occurs every day includes:

- Having a go
- Improvement
- Effort
- New skills
- Learning
- Asking questions
- Participating.

Dr Martin explained to our students that “if you focus on the game, the scoreboard will take care of itself”. He explained, the same is true with school. Focusing on daily success and working forward with effort, attitude and strategy, will mean the marks too, will take care of themselves.

Andrew would be delighted if tonight, over dinner, you and your child recognised their success at school for the day. Highlight their bravery to keep trying, their performance, their confidence, their ability to answer and celebrate their day. Self-belief is a vital part of motivation.

For further information and to order Dr Martin’s books, please visit www.lifelongachievement.com

Kind regards

Deanne Clark, dclar70@eq.edu.au

P.E. NEWS

School Aquathon

Well done to all the students in Years 4 to 6 who participated in the school Aquathon last week. This was a fun participation event to celebrate H.P.E. Week and it was great to see so many students enthusiastically taking part. This is an event which requires effort from all participants and effort is to be celebrated, no matter what results are achieved. We also would like to celebrate excellence in this event by congratulating the following students:

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Thanks also go to Miss Blythman, Mrs Mathewson and Mrs Allen for volunteering to supervise the children as they ran up Massey Street. Without their assistance these events cannot be run.

City District Trials

Congratulations to Lachlan H, Lachlan Z, Jackson H and Gus D for their success in being selected in the City District AFL team. We also would like to congratulate Lucy H and Charlotte J for selection in the Hockey and Moni S and Lachlan R for selection in the Rugby League side. A great effort by all these students! We wish our Touch and Soccer players all the best for their trials this Friday.

Cross Country

Training sessions began this week before school and will continue until the end of Week 9 to help students prepare for the Cross Country. Training sessions are as follows:

- Mondays/Tuesdays at Morning Tea (11.00–11.20am) with Mr Harris
- Wednesday/Thursday mornings (8.10–8.30am) with Mrs Graham.

Class teachers will also endeavour to do some training with their classes, but it would also be a good idea for students to do some of their own training to help them prepare. Maybe it could be an activity that families enjoy together. Distances children will jog/run/walk are:

- Preps/Year 1 – 500m (2 laps of the oval)
- Year 2 – 750m (3 laps of the oval)

Year 3 – 6 students:

Children born 2006/2007 – 1km
Children born 2005 – 2km

Children born 2003/2004:

- 3km for those who want to be selected for the District trial
- 2km for those who are not trialling.

Year 4 Students

In field lessons we are working on developing throwing and catching skills with tennis balls. If children can practise this skill outside their 30 minute lesson, the improvement that can be made will be well worth the effort. I look forward to hearing about their efforts and seeing the improvement in their skill level.

Goal Shooting Competition

Well done to all those classes who competed in the Goal Shooting Competition. Our winner for the junior school (P–Year 2) was Prep D and our winner for the senior school (Years 3–6) was 6/5. Congratulations to these classes.

Sports Noticeboard

If you are a keen Rugby Union supporter there is a brochure on the sports noticeboard that details a Qld. Reds Group Booking Offer.

Premier Cricket are offering Easter cricket clinics. If you are interested, please check for details on the noticeboard.

Alayne Graham ( agrah27@eq.edu.au )
Mondays/Tuesdays/Wednesdays/Thursdays

Paul Harris ( pharr17@eq.edu.au )
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays
A superb Sunday!!

The Sunday Family Picnic was such a lovely gathering - fun in the fresh air, ball sports, Red Rover, skipping rope, tug of war, sack races - good old fashioned family interactions. Special thanks to Wally Boydell for his support and sponsorship. To the sub-committee behind the event - well done.

Tonight sees a School Council Meeting in the Staff Room from 7.00- to 7.30pm. At 7.30pm, there is the function to welcome our new Principal, Gayle Coleman, and introduce the School Council Members in the Staff Room. This function is a chance for parents to come along to meet and ask questions of Gayle.

Thank you for the lovely Monday assembly morning teas that we are enjoying. The families in this school are a joy to interact with. Your children just love seeing you in the audience when they are performing with their class. Win, win!

Have a great week.

Leanne Buckle, SCLO, 0403 576 688, leannebuckle11@gmail.com

FROM THE TUCKSHOP

Easter Meal Deal

The Easter Meal Deal is now on “flexischools”. Please place your order prior to 30 March to ensure your child does not miss out. The Easter Meal Deal will be the first Tuckshop experience for the Preps and this is why they have a different Menu from the Years 1-6 children - to ensure the experience is one they will enjoy - with an Easter Surprise for all children.

Kathryn, Yolanda and the Tuckshop Committee

UNIFORM SHOP

All girls from Years 1 to 7 are required to wear the winter uniform in Terms 2 and 3.

If you have a Year 1 girl you will require:

- Navy winter tunic
- White blouse
- Red belt
- Navy bike pants (as girls remove their tunic during PE lessons).

Boys' uniform does not alter.

All items are available in the Uniform Shop on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 8.15-9.30am or via "flexischools".

Extended Hours Term Two - first week only:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday and Friday 8.15-9.30am.

Week Two resumes normal trading Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 8.15-9.30am.

We look forward to assisting you.

Uniform Shop Committee

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

Tuckshop - Group 4 | Home Bake - Group 4
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Wednesday 18/3/15 | Wednesday 18/3/15
Mina J, Alison S, Bella B-H | Georgina S, Anna J, Michelle A
Thursday 19/3/15 | Thursday 19/3/15
Leta D, Margaret B | Julie C, Amanda H, Margaret B
Friday 20/3/15 | Friday 20/3/15
Bronwyn McL, Belinda W | Donna G, Loretta G

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BOOK CLUB

Please remember that Book Club orders are due in by tomorrow Thursday 12 March. We ask that you do not send cash to school. If you are ordering online, please make sure you select the correct class for your child.

Thank you for supporting Book Club.

Kim H, Book Club Co-Ordinator
ASCOT BIG DAY OUT

At the 2013 ABDO the raffles and auctions raised more than $40,000. This was mainly due to the generous donation of items by members of the greater school community and of course the fantastic class art projects.

Raffles

We would like to have a similar prize pool to 2013 where we had more than 50 prizes worth more than $10,000. Each person/organisation is credited (you can be anonymous) with supplying each prize on the website and on the day. The more prizes the better!

Auctions

Auction items are normally higher value items that are auctioned off on the big day. In the past items have included, memorabilia pieces, dinner with the Treasurer, family holidays, surf boards, boat charters and much more.

We would like to have the raffle & auction items solidified by the end of this term so please contact brad@bubhub.com.au with a short description of your item(s), value, web address (as appropriate) and a contact name and number. Please do not hesitate to contact Brad if you have any questions.

ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TO THE P&C TO USE ON SCHOOL PROJECTS

Brad L

WELCOME GROUP

Have you recently enrolled your child at our school and would like to meet other parents? You may be interested in joining our school’s Welcome Group. Our Welcome Group has been set up primarily as an opportunity for new parents to our school to meet other school families, although anyone who is interested in making new friends is welcome to attend!

Our Welcome Group catch-ups are on Wednesdays at White Jam Cafe in Hendra. Please get in touch with Peter if you have any questions.

Welcome Cuppa for English as an Additional Language Parents of Ascot State School – Thursday 26 March. Please RSVP to Natalie Rose nrose9@eq.edu.au.

Peter, Welcome Group Co-ordinator, welcome@ascotss.eq.edu.au

SWIM CLUB

Dear Swim Club Family,

The end of the season is drawing closer and closer. We only have one more Club Night to go. Club Championships are on Sunday 15 March and then on 20 March we have our Presentation Night - this will be the final Swim Club night for this season.

We are still looking for volunteers to join the Swim Club Committee for next season. This is now becoming URGENT. Please see below the positions that are still vacant.

PRESIDENTS - HAMISH C, ANTHONY F
VICE PRESIDENTS - URGENT POSITIONS VACANT X 2
SECRETARY - BRAD J
TREASURER - WILLIAM A
BBQ/CANTEEN - 2 X URGENT POSITIONS VACANT
ROSTERS - JODIE C
DATA - X 1 OR 2 (SHARED) URGENT POSITIONS VACANT

It is extremely important that these positions are filled by the end of this season. Swim Club cannot run effectively without all of these positions filled. Please, if you are interested in any of these roles come and see Cameron or myself at Swim Club on Friday night or call us on the below numbers.

Parents on roster this week:

All families should have already completed four rosters for the season. If you have not, please email Rose M on rose.04@me.com or phone 0417 707 995 and get your name down. There will be no Canteen or BBQ if these positions are not filled for Friday night.

A reminder that if your child nominated for Club Championships you WILL be rostered on for duties for this Sunday 15 March in two halves.

Please do not contact the Presidents with regards to the rosters.

Parents on roster this week - PLEASE REPORT TO THE PRESIDENTS’ DESK ON ARRIVAL.

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It was an extremely successful day. A total of $40,000 was raised. Thank you to everyone who contributed and made the event a huge success.
PLEASE REMEMBER THAT IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT YOU ARE ON TIME FOR YOUR ROSTER DUTIES AS THIS HELPS US RUN ON TIME.

Race order for this week will be:
- 12.5m Freestyle, 100m Butterfly
- 25m Freestyle, 50m Freestyle
- 25m Breaststroke, 50m Breaststroke
- 25m Backstroke, 50m Backstroke
- 25m Butterfly, 50m Butterfly.

We would like to thank our sponsors, Ray White Ascot & Dune Outdoor Luxuries, for their ongoing sponsorship of our Swim Club.

Cameron and I look forward to seeing you all on Friday night.

Kind Regards

Tracy Roberts and Cameron McLeod, Ascot Swim Club Presidents
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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Fancutt Tennis Centre will continue the tennis program at the school courts on Reeve Street on Mondays 3.00-3.30pm (Prep), 3.30-4.15pm (Beginners), 4.15-5.00pm (Players), Wednesdays 3.00-3.30pm (Prep), 3.30-4.15pm (Beginners), 4.15-5.00pm (Players), Junior rackets on special $30. Friendly Hot Shots Tournaments for trophies are on Saturdays 10am-12pm (Serving and Green Ball) during school term at Fancutts Lutwyche for children wishing to have friendly match play without the inconvenience of extra travelling to other centres. Super League fixtures are on Saturday afternoons and Sunday evenings for children and teenagers and Tuesday/ Wednesday nights for adults - a few vacancies. Adults social, fitness and music (Ladies) are on Monday evenings 6.30-7.30pm and Friday mornings 9-10am. Restrings – a 24 hour service or possible emergency restring while you wait. All enquiries please contact Fancutts on 38572922 in office hours or email admin@fancutts.com.au.

St Mark’s Anglican Church Free Family Fun Day 14 March 10am-2pm. (Corner Bonney Avenue and Bellevue Terrace, Clayfield.) Looking for a great day out? Come along to our exciting Family Fun Day. All activities and games are free, Jumping castle, market stalls, toddler play space, crafts and games, Zibber Zabber Show at 10.30am, Soccer workshop (11am-12.30pm), performances, fire engine visit (dependent on emergency availability), sample Bags, rectory sewing group, cent auction, dance workshop (1pm), sausage sizzle ($2.50), fairy floss ($3.00). Bring your friends. www.stmarksclayfield.org.

Coming up shortly in Surfers Paradise is our sixth annual Surfers Paradise Festival! It’s our favourite time of the year when we celebrate the fun-loving, care-free buzz of Surfers Paradise with loads of FREE family fun! This year’s Festival features food, art, music and entertainment in the precinct, with an action-packed program guaranteed to suit the whole family.

Returning to the Festival will be some our Festival favourites – The Australian Street Entertainment Championships, SIPFest Short Film Festival and the ever-popular Seafire Fireworks Challenge, plus a new addition - the Festival Pavilion. For more information visit our website http://www.surfersparadise.com/whats-on/free-events/surfers-paradise-festival