

# Ascot State School

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## THE Digest

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## FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Welcome back to Term 2 for a wonderful term of learning at Ascot State School. I would like to give a warm welcome to those new students and families who are commencing this term.

We welcome Ms Sue Bickmore to Prep B. Sadly for PB and 2B, Mrs Rachel Pinnock and Ms Nicola Veasey had to resign for health reasons. Mrs Donna Gurren, who has been at Ascot State School for several years, will be continuing on Year 2B until we can find a suitable replacement teacher.

Mrs Jacki Stafford, our Teacher-Librarian, has also been seconded to a Regional position for Term 2. We welcome Mrs Carmel Fleming from Kenmore South State School to the school commencing next Wednesday 20 April till the end of term. Mrs Fleming will be working Wednesday to Friday in the Library. We also welcome new teacher aides this term and look forward to all their work on class. Please stop in and make all our new staff welcome.

Thank you to all the parents for ensuring our girls were ready to begin Term 2 in their winter uniform. Our Year 1 students looked delightful wearing their new uniforms for the first time.

Over the next two weeks you will all have the opportunity to have discussions with your child's teacher regarding their progress in Term 1. Thank you for your time as we celebrate Term 1 successes. Please note that parent-teacher interviews for Prep B and 2B will be postponed till later in the term due to the changes in classroom teachers. Mrs Sue Hanslow on 1E is also on sick leave this week so any parent teacher interviews this week will be rescheduled. I apologise for these changes.

## School Vision and Focus

Once again we have lots of exciting learning happening in our classrooms as we enact our vision, "*Happy students learning together to grow and succeed*". Our whole school focus is on each child's learning progress in Reading. Some of the actions you will see across the school include:

- The ongoing monitoring of individual student progress in Reading using Fountas and Pinnell benchmarking.
- The implementation of a consistent approach to home reading in the lower school.
- The implementation of a whole-school reading program with a focus this term on guided reading.
- The explicit teaching of Reading based on our Reading Framework.
- The allocation and training of teacher aides to support Guided Reading lessons.
- The commencement of our Parent Partnership Series held fortnightly on Friday mornings.

## School and Community Partnerships

This Friday we commence our first Parent Partnership Series of talks/lectures for the Ascot School Community. These sessions will be held fortnightly on Friday mornings from 9.00am in the staff room. Morning tea will be provided and parents are not required to RSVP. Please join us this Friday 15 April for our first session. See below for further information.

Thank you to the Ascot State School P&C for the lovely new desks and chairs that we are trialling in the Prep C classroom. They look so bright, colourful and, best of all, you can write on some of them. Check out the photos attached – the children love them. Thank you!

**Great state. Great opportunity.**





Our Ascot State School ANZAC Day Ceremony will be held on Friday 22 April from 9.15 on the oval. Parents and community members are invited to join us for the ceremony followed by morning tea in the covered games court. Children/families are invited to make or bring a wreath or flowers to lay during the service.

## Learning Enhancement at Ascot State School

At Ascot State School all children will have opportunities in learning enhancement programs. The following programs will be enjoyed by students at Ascot State School this term:

- Wavell State High School problem solving challenge
- Queensland Academies online modules
- Kelvin Grove State High School High Achievers program
- QUT “The Cube” Lego Robotics Workshop
- ICAS key learning area achievement tests.

We greatly value the support we receive from these agencies in creating opportunities for our students.

## School photographs

Advanced Life will again be providing the school photograph service for Ascot State School this year. Wednesday, 27 April and Thursday 28 April are the two days of photographs with a timetable of year levels out soon.

## Parent Partnership Series: Home Readers for Prep Parents

Parent Partnership Information Session: Friday 15 April,  
9.00-10.00am.  
Ready Prep Go! “Home Readers for Learning Success”  
(Staff Room)

In Term 2, our Prep students will bring home a Home Reader Book each evening for celebrating reading and learning with you, their parents. Home Reading is a lovely ten minutes where you can share and delight in reading with your Preppie.

We look forward to welcoming Prep parents to hear all the tips and tricks that will ensure a year of Home Reading success and how to best support your child’s learning at this information session designed specifically for Prep parents.

Families play an important role in how well students do in school and we look forward to sharing with you in partnership, the wonderful journey of reading.

We look forward to welcoming you.

**Rochelle Burton, Head of Curriculum**  
**Amie Neil, Support Teacher Literacy and Numeracy**

## Class Assembly Roster Term 2

The following classes will host an assembly in Term 2. We invite all parents to mark your calendars now and come along

to share in your child’s excitement as their class ‘hosts’ the assembly for the week.

The Senior Assembly, Years 3-6, is held in the hall at 9.00am, followed by a morning tea for the host class and their parents/grandparents at 9.30am.

The Junior Assembly, Years P-2, is held in the hall at 10.30am, followed by a host class morning tea at 11.00am. We look forward to welcoming you.

Term 2	Wellbeing Focus	Junior Assembly Years P-2 Host class	Senior Assembly Years 3-6 Host class
Week 2 18/ 04/16	I choose my actions. Choose wisely and have an amazing day!	No class	5A
Week 6 16/ 05/16	I choose my attitudes and mood. Choose wisely and have an amazing day!	1D	6C
Week 8 30/ 08/16	I set priorities and follow my plans. I follow my teachers’ morning routine and prepare for the day.	PD	4C
Week 9 06/ 06/16	I spend time on things that are important to me. Family and sports are important, just like school.	1C	4B
Week 10 13/ 06/16	If you want to feel good – do good. It takes great strength to be sensible.	Music	Music
Week 11 20/ 06/16	I pack my courage in my schoolbag every day. I will ask questions in class to understand my schoolwork.	2D	5B

## Upcoming Assembly Awards - Monday 18 April 2016

*“It’s not the will to win that matters ... everyone has that.  
It’s the will to prepare to win that matters.”*

**Paul “Bear” Bryant**

Congratulations to the following students for receiving the “Having a Go” award next week. Students who Have a Go at school are preparing to learn and try their best. The blue Play Is The Way cards tells us that the braver you are, the more you learn. Most things don’t happen because of who we are but because of what we did or did not do. Well done students for having a go and participating to progress. We truly value this at Ascot!

## BOUQUETS

Special bouquets to the Prep teachers and teacher aides for the amazing Easter Hat Parade. I thank all parents for bringing along your family members as our lovely Prep children displayed their creative Easter hats.

## FROM YOUR P&C

I hope you all refreshed after the holidays, as the P&C has lots of exciting activities planned for Term 2.

- The Michael Calder Memorial Golf Day and Lunch at Nudgee Golf Course on 19 May is a great day for dads and mums too. With the way the competition is run, no golfing experience is required!
- Art Week runs from 23-26 May and Ray White Ascot’s sponsorship & Anuska and FoVAD’s dedication, it will ensure it is the best year yet! This year’s theme is “*Heros & Villians moving through Time*”.
- Year Level Lunches for Years 2, 3 & 4 at Ruggers are on 29 April, 20 May and 10 June respectively. You can [book your lunch ticket on-line now](http://www.flexischools.com.au) at [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) .
- We also have Discos - Year 3 on 13 May and the 5/6 Disco on 27 May.
- Music on Sunday is on the 12 June and again, thank you to another long term supporter of the school, Amanda Butler from McGrath Real Estate.
- And with Mother’s Day on 8 May, we have our Mothers’ Day Stall on Friday 6 May.
- The biggest night of fun this term will be Saturday the 4 June – this is our Trivia Night. This is a night of fun and laughter for parents and staff and will be held at the function room down at Brothers Rugby. Tickets will be available soon, so keep an eye out, but for now, get your table of ten together – a great way to “friend raise” within your class. There are not only great prizes up for grabs, but the honour of being crowned the Trivia Champs for 2016!
- We also have P&C meetings on 20 April, 18 May and 15 June.

If you have any questions in relation to any of these events, or would like to offer your support, please email me at [pandcpresident@ascotss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandcpresident@ascotss.eq.edu.au) .

**Sarah Comiskey, P&C President**

Class	Week 2 - Term 2: Having a Go		
Prep A	Sophia B, Oliver H	4A	Sienna R, Samantha L
Prep B	Hamish C, Zahli C	4B	Lily D, Eliza M
Prep C	Lola L, Simon G-A	4C	Elsie J, Dre T
Prep D	Isabella R, Tyler M	4D	Portia C, Parham S-R
Prep E	Mark R, Jonathan Z	4E	Max B, Olivia G
1A	Gus C, Dante V	5A	Nina S, Harmony T
1B	Taiga M, Lily F	5B	Zara P, Zoe C
1C	Alex S, Emily J	5C	Christian P, Ava H
1D	Violet B, Josh G	6/5	Annabel L, Lachlan Z, Mitch M
1E	Flyn B, Bella C	6A	Kevin B, Konlawat S
2A	Preet T, Chae M-Y	6B	Bailey T, Jemma L
2B	Tia F, Saige S	6C	Dexta B, Luciano R
2C	Elspeth D, Sam N		
2D	Hudson C, Leo M		
2E	Sophia A, Lachlan B		
3A	Olivia S-S, Alexander C		
3B	Ciara P-B, Harry L		
3C	Jordan C, Lachlan O		
3D	Ryen B, Keiran L		
3E	Katie D, Poppy H		

Regards

*G. Coleman*

**Gayle Coleman, Scott Matthews, Monique Russell, Roxanne Smith, Rochelle Burton, Deanne Clark**

## P&C MEETING NEXT WEEK: WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL AT 7.30PM (STAFF ROOM C BLOCK)

### Agenda:

Welcome  
Minutes of Previous Meeting  
Matters arising from the Minutes  
Correspondence  
Matters arising from the Correspondence  
Principal's Report  
Treasurer's Report  
Subcommittee Reports  
General Business  
New Memberships.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Monday 11/4/ 16-Friday 22/4/16 inclusive</b>	Parent Teacher Interviews
<b>Thursday 14/4/16</b>	8.15-9.30am Uniform Shop
<b>Friday 15/4/16</b>	8.15-9.30am Uniform Shop 9.00am: Parents as Partners Session "Ready Prep Go"
<b>Monday 18/4/16</b>	8.15-9.30am Uniform Shop 9.00am: Years 3-6 Senior Assembly (5A) 10.30am: P-Year 2 Junior Assembly (No host class) Wavell State High Problem Solving Challenge (selected students)
<b>Tuesday 19/4/16</b>	Prep A & B to Trevena Glen Farm 9.15am: FoVAD Meeting (Staff Room) Mindstorms The Cube (selected students)
<b>Wednesday 20/4/16</b>	8.15-9.30am Uniform Shop 9.00am Student Banking Prep D & E to Trevena Glen Farm

## DIGITAL CAREERS BEBRAS COMPUTATIONAL THINKING CHALLENGE:

Late in term 1 some students participated in the Digital Careers Australia Bebras computational thinking challenge. This eLearning event was conducted electronically and students could opt to work individually or in a problem solving team.

Certificates will be presented to the students below for their participation and results:

Participation	Merit	Credit	Distinction	High Distinction
Alastair 4D	Campbell 6 of 6/5	Angus 5B	Alex 4D	Finlay 4D
Alessandra 5A	Madeline 4E	Annabel 6 of 6/5	Louis 4D	
Alexia 5C	Maggie 4D	Bridie 5 of 6/5	Molly 6 of 6/5	
Ava 5C	Nikolas 4B	Charlie 6 of 6/5	Oliver 4D	
Ben 6 of 6/5	Rhiley 5 of 6/5	Emma 5B	Thomas 4D	
Ben 4E	Robert 5C	Emmerson 5 of 6/5		
Bridget 6 of 6/5	Sophie 5 of 6/5	Ewan 4B		
Carmen 4B		Grayson 4B		
Christian 5C		Jack 4B		
Ed 4E		Jackson 4B		
Eloise 4B		Jillian 5C		
Genevieve 4B		Kim 5C		
Georgina 5 of 6/5		Lachlan 6 of 6/5		
Jack 4B		Lily 5C		
Jemima 4B		Lucy 4B		
Kai 4E		Pascal 4B		
Keira 5 of 6/5		Rahul 5A		
Kobe 4D		Sam 4D		
Lachlan 4D		Sam 4B		
Lachlan 5 of 6/5		Shane 5A		
Lachlan 5C		Sophie 5C		
Lily 4B		Taylor 5A		
Lily 5 of 6/5		Zoe 5 of 6/5		
Lucy 4D				
Matthew 4B				
Megan 5B				
Olivia 4E				
Riley 4E				
Rudy 5 of 6/5				
Ryan 5B				
Samuel 4E				
Stephanie 4B				
Tana 6 of 6/5				
Thomas 5C				
Zara 4B				

**Monique Russell, Co-Ordinator**

## MUSIC NEWS

Please mark these music dates in your diary for Term 2:

School Anzac Service	Senior Band/ Senior Choir/Boy's Don't Sing Choir	Friday 22 April at 9.00am
"The Sound of Music" at QPAC	Senior Students	Wednesday 27 April at 1.30pm
Senior Band Workshop at Ascot		Wednesday 4 May at 9.00am
Year 3 Disco		Friday 13 May 6.00-7.30pm
Year 5/6 Disco		Friday 27 May 6.00-8.00pm
Instrumental Fanfare at Kedron SHS	Senior Band	Monday 16 May
Treble Voices Festival at Chandler	Senior Choir/Boy's Don't Sing Choir	Sunday 29 May
Northside Junior String Camp		Tuesday 7 June/8 June at Stafford SS and Thursday 9 June at Old Museum Concert Hall with concert at 1.30pm
Beginner Band Blitz Workshop	Old Museum	Tuesday 7 June
Music On Sunday	All Bands, Choirs, Ensembles and an item from Prep children	Sunday 12 June 3.00pm
Music Assembly	Senior Band and Choirs	Monday 13 June

Please remember if you wish to contact the Music Department phone the school and ask to be put through to Music or email Margaret Howard [mhowa12@eq.edu.au](mailto:mhowa12@eq.edu.au) , Debbie Daley [ddale3@eq.edu.au](mailto:ddale3@eq.edu.au) or simply visit us at the Music Department.

**Margaret Howard, Debbie Daley**

## P.E. NEWS

Welcome back to Term 2 and we hope you enjoyed a relaxing break.

### Thank you to Brothers Rugby Union

We would really like to thank Brothers and in particular, Michael Spork, for being so accommodating with the running of the Cross Country. Having such a great venue and Michael to assist with organisational matters helped to make this event so successful.

### District Cross Country

The selected five Ascot boys/girls runners in the 9/10/11/12 age groups will compete at District Cross Country at Brisbane Grammar Fields Northgate on Tuesday 3 May. All runners received their necessary documentation before the Easter holidays and should return documentation by Tuesday 26 April via the office. School training will occur each day from 11.00-11.20am (Monday-Friday) in preparation for this event. It is extremely important that those children selected as a team member continue to train. We have to honour last year's team who won the City District Competition. Can Ascot win two years in a row and stop the trophy returning to Wilston? In the immortal words of Bob the Builder (almost) – "Can we do it? Yes we can!"

### Term 2 City District Trials

Sports trials coming up this term are set down for the following dates but please be reminded these dates sometimes change. If you are skilled in these sports please let Mrs Graham/Mr Harris know of your interest to trial:

Tennis	Thursday 21 April
Rugby Union	Friday 6 May
Girls Softball	Thursday 16 June
Met North Golf	Monday 16 May

Please see me if you are interested in developing softball skills and attending the softball trial. If there is interest I will hold some skill development sessions with interested students.

### City District/Met North Sporting Representatives

Students who have been selected in City District or Met North sporting teams in Term 1 who haven't received their awards yet will be recognised on assembly in Week 2 and parents are welcome to come and watch the presentations.

### Perceptual Motor Program (Prep/Year 1)

The perceptual motor program will start in Week 3 and continue until Week 8. For the motor program students are split into groups to rotate around different activities. To ensure students get the most out of each activity, are safe and stay on task, it is preferable to have adult supervision. This could include parents, grandparents or another trusted adult. If possible it would be great to have 3 adults at each lesson. Year 1 PMP will be on Wednesdays and Prep PMP will be on Thursdays. Times for

each class are detailed below. If you are able to assist can you please fill in the parent roster at your child's classroom:

WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY	
11.30am–12.00pm	1D	10.00–10.30am	Prep E
12.00–12.30pm	1C	10.30–11.00am	Prep B
12.30–1.00pm	1E	11.30am–12.00pm	Prep C
1.50–2.20pm	1B	12.00–12.30pm	Prep D
2.20–2.50pm	1A	12.30–1.00pm	Prep A

**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**

## MOTHER'S DAY STALL: FRIDAY 6 MAY



Mother's Day is fast approaching. This year our much loved stall will be held Friday 6 May in the School Hall from 8.30am–Morning Tea. All of the gifts are \$10.00 each and there will be loads of beautiful gifts on offer. It is always a delight watching the children choose something special. There will be enough gifts for children to purchase not only for Mum but any other special person in their life they wish to celebrate.

All classes will be allotted a time and they will be escorted to the stall by their teacher. If at all possible, it is helpful and faster to manage if the children can bring the correct money in a named envelope.

If you are interested in assisting with the stall, whether for the whole time or part of the time, please contact Kylie on [kylie@locationone.com.au](mailto:kylie@locationone.com.au).

## WELCOME GROUP

Have you recently enrolled your child at our school? Have you recently moved into the local area? Are you interested in meeting other school parents and families? 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; everyone is welcome!

Our Welcome Group will meet twice this term on Wednesday 27 April and Wednesday 8 June at White Jam Cafe, Hendra.

Our coffee catch ups are a great opportunity to chat to other parents and to share information about local family services (medical, kinder and child care) and children's activities (music, sport, etc.).

We hope that you can join us.

**Nicola, Welcome Group Co-Ordinator,**  
**welcome@ascotss.eq.edu.au**

## Notification from Flexischools effective from Saturday 16 April 2016!

Hi everyone!

Flexischools have informed us that for the first time in four years they are changing the way they charge for items and in some cases are increasing those charges.

Firstly before we go on, let's realise and understand that Flexischools is the only licensed whole of campus cashless system in Australia and therefore offers us, as parents, an easy and safe way of ordering without needing to send money to school with our children or taking time out of our day to attend the Uniform Shop or the Tuckshop.

Two parent related account fees will be changed.

### 1. Top Up Fee Changes

The Credit Card and PayPal Top Up surcharge is changing from a 29 cents and 35 cents surcharge respectively to a 15 cent PLUS 1% surcharge for across the board.

NOTE: Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) will remain free of charge!

### 2. Service/Order Fee Changes

The standard Order fee on food orders will increase 4 cents nationally from 25 cents to 29 cents per order.

A Parents Unlimited package is on offer from Flexischools which is an annual per student fee that replaces the order fee.

Should any of you have any queries or concerns in relation to these increases or changes please contact Sarah Comiskey our dedicated P&C President directly at [pandcpresident@ascotss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandcpresident@ascotss.eq.edu.au).

## FROM THE TUCKSHOP

Welcome back to Term 2.

### Birthday Ice Cream/Zingers

Ice Creams/Zingers are available via the Flexischools system for your child's birthday. Order online, inform the Teacher and the icecreams will be in place in the boxes at Lunch. If you require them before this please inform Kathryn/Yolanda at the Tuckshop on 3326 9326.

### Australia Biggest Morning Tea

Our annual Biggest Morning Tea will be held on the Games Court on Wednesday 18 May from 9.00-10.30am. As part of this fundraiser we ask the School Community to donate items to be used in our raffle and our Home Bakers to cook up

a storm. If you can provide an item for our raffle or would like to cook something for the day, please email Kathryn at [tuckshop@ascotss.eq.edu.au](mailto:tuckshop@ascotss.eq.edu.au). This is a very worthy cause that unfortunately touches most of us during our life.

## Tuckshop Menu

Please watch out for some exciting new additions to the Tuckshop Menu this Term.

We look forward to a productive Term 2 and if you have any queries or questions about Tuckshop that you are not sure of please drop us an email.

## Forgotten Lunches

During Term 1 we had several children on a daily basis coming up to Tuckshop and asking for more food to eat. Whilst the Tuckshop's policy is to never let any child go hungry, we must ask parents to check with their children to see if they have received a note from Tuckshop. We will endeavour to email parents to let them know their child owes money to Tuckshop this term.

Your continued support is always appreciated.

**Kathryn, Yolanda and the Tuckshop Committee**

## TUCKSHOP ROSTERS

Tuckshop - Group 1		Home Bake - Group 1	
<b>Monday 18/4/16</b>	Miranda, Kath G	<b>Monday 18/4/16</b>	Andrea Y, Julianne D, Ceri McD
<b>Tuesday 19/4/16</b>	Kim H, Carleen W	<b>Tuesday 19/4/16</b>	Louise A, Leanne N, Russell C
<b>Wednesday 20/4/16</b>	Alison L, Amanda B	<b>Wednesday 20/4/16</b>	Julia R, Alison S, Priyanka
<b>Thursday 21/4/16</b>	Natasha J, Emma-Jane V	<b>Thursday 21/4/16</b>	Kristin H, Louise K, Melissa V, Bushra M
<b>Friday 22/4/16</b>	Kristin H, Danielle B, Cindy J	<b>Friday 22/4/16</b>	Angela B, Kate H

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR UNIFORM SHOP TEAM

Welcome back. Term 2 sees our children move into the winter uniform.

- All girls from Years 1 to 6 are required to wear the winter uniform in terms 2 & 3.
- If you have a Year 1 girl you will require:  
Navy winter tunic  
White blouse  
Red belt.  
Navy bike pants or sports shorts (as girls remove their tunic during PE lessons)
- Year 6 girls will require a school tie.

Boys' uniform does not alter.

Despite deliveries over the holiday break we are still awaiting supply of the belts, socks and boys shirts. Please accept our apologies for this delay. Back orders will be filled once stock arrives, which our suppliers assure us will be later this week.

Extended Hours: Term Two Week 1 only: Thursday and Friday 8.15- 9.30am.

Week 2 resumes with normal trading hours:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 8.15-9.30am

We look forward to assisting you!

**Your Uniform Shop Team**

## UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

Group 2	
<b>Monday 18/4/16</b>	Rachelle L
<b>Wednesday 20/4/16</b>	Karen K
<b>Thursday 21/4/16</b>	Shelley W

## QUEENSLAND ACADEMIES CREATIVE INDUSTRIES OPEN DAY

Queensland Academies Creative Industries Campus  
School As Usual Open Day: Wednesday 27 April, 1.00-3.00pm  
Book into a tour with our Principal and learn more at [www.qa.eq.edu.au](http://www.qa.eq.edu.au).

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## WAVELL STATE HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAY INFORMATION AFTERNOON

Sunday 15 May 2016

2:00pm – 4:30pm

Assembly Hall, Telopia Avenue, Wavell Heights

Organised Guided Tours of the School; an Address by the Principal; opportunities to meet Teachers and Students and Afternoon Tea.

Parents and Students of any year level are most welcome to attend.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**St Agatha's Parish Sacramental Program 2016** (for all children in Year 3 and above). Please note important change to timetable. Under new Archdiocesan Policy, the Sacraments will be celebrated over a three year period with Confirmation in Year 3, First Holy Communion in Year 4 and Reconciliation in Year 5. You need to enrol in 2016 for all 3 Sacraments. Parent Information Evening: 3 May at 7.00pm or 4 May at 7.00pm in APAC, St Agatha's School. N.B. Parents need only attend 1 of these sessions. Rite of Enrolment: 7/8 May at any of the masses. Mass times are Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 7.00am, 9.00am and 5.30pm. For further information call Jane Cameron at the Parish office on 3262 2859 or go onto our website [www.clayfieldparish.org.au](http://www.clayfieldparish.org.au).

**Fancutts Tennis:** Regardless of who has been coaching at Ascot or at tennis centres in the area, the best tennis players at Ascot School have continually and consistently over the years been those coached by Fancutts. Our pupils have an incredible record of making the school teams, winning school championships at schools such as Boys & Girls Grammar and St. Joseph's Gregory Terrace. Our Ascot pupils have also won Australian Titles like Adam Carey and some have obtained scholarships to US College Tennis arranged by Fancutts. Super League fixtures at Gregory Terrace and Hot Shots Tournaments at Reeve Street are available. Coaching Term Two 11 April-24 June 2016 (11 weeks). Times: (Kindy/Preps) Mondays, Wednesdays 3.00-3.30pm; (Beginners Grades 1-4) Mondays, Wednesdays 3.30-4.15pm; (Players) Mondays and Wednesdays 4.15-5.00pm. Cost: \$165 Monday 25 April, 2 May (public holidays) 9 weeks; \$185 Wednesdays (11 weeks). Increased fees are due to higher cost of court hire \$16.00 hour. Players who learnt in Term 1 have first option in Term 2 if fees are paid. Discount of \$5.00 applicable if fees paid by Tuesday 12 April. Please contact Fancutts to confirm your lesson time 3857 2922 or coach Daniel Roggero 0433 624 775.

Wet weather lessons cancelled by Fancutts can be made up or receive a credit next term. Unfortunately it is not possible to make up casual absentee lessons or refund the cost. Racquet offer: a new student signing on for these tennis lessons is entitled to receive a Babolat/Head junior racquet valued \$40 at the discounted price of \$30.00 (Inc. GST). We offer free expert advice on selecting the right weight, balance and grip. Friendly Hot Shots Tournaments for a trophy are on public holidays in Term 2. To give valuable match play/tournament to our pupils, friendly Tennis Australia Hot Shots matches are to be held at Reeve Street, Ascot on the Public Holidays Monday 25 April (Anzac Day) from 12.30-3.00pm, Monday 2nd May from 12.30-3.00pm for Beginner and Players). Fee: \$18 to help cover the cost of courts, balls, supervision and administration. Please notify your coach or Fancutts if you wish to play. There will be trophies for the winners. Every new player will receive a Tennis Australia t-shirt and every player receives a McDonald's

voucher and/or prizes. Parents are most welcome. We look forward to a pleasant day of tennis held in our beautiful garden setting. Hot Shots Tournaments for trophies are being held at Fancutts Tennis Centre, Lutwyche for children wishing to have friendly match play without the inconvenience of extra travelling to other centres. Beginner/Player is held on Saturdays during school terms from 10.00am (serving) to 11.30am. Trophies and prizes. Super League fixture teams are being formed for next season for Saturday afternoons 2.00-5.30pm and Sunday evenings 4.00-6.30pm. Next season play starts 16 July. If you wish to play contact Sandra and register for next season as Gregory Terrace have only 4 courts and have to accept the players who are first to nominate and pay their registration fee of \$105 for TQ/TB & FJTC which includes insurance and includes T-Shirt. Tennis coaching is not on Monday public holidays at schools during 2nd term.

**Go Sports:** Time to play and learn a new game or just improve skills. Join us for all the fun at Go Sports. Go Netball commencing 26 April, 6 weeks for \$105.00 on Tuesdays 3.10-3.45pm for Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 on school netball court. Go Soccer commencing 26 April, 6 weeks for \$105.00 on Tuesdays 7.50-8.35am for Prep, Years 1, 2 and 3 on school oval. All Preppies will be escorted to school by the coach after the class. To register go to [www.gosports.com.au](http://www.gosports.com.au), click register on line or SMS child's name, school, sport and mobile number to 0417 614 509. Payment: click on register online and select "Pay online now" or Pay coach at first class by cash or cheque made payable to Go Sports Pty. Ltd. Bad weather days: please see website under Latest News or check weather by 7.05am – class will be made up at the end of course, if cancelled.

**Alliance Francaise** French classes at Ascot: \$230 per term (up to 10% discount for members before 11 April). Classes start on Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 April 2016 over 8 weeks. 4-6 year olds: Mondays 7.30-8.45am; 7 to 11 year olds – Basic 1\*: Tuesdays 7.30-8.45am. \*Les Loustics 1 exercise book (\$26.00) is required. It will cover 6 terms. Enrol now at [www.afbrisbane.com](http://www.afbrisbane.com), phone 3844 4460, email [info@afbrisbane.com](mailto:info@afbrisbane.com).

**Chess Program for Ascot State School:** lessons cater for all ages and abilities. Coaching days and times: Mondays 7.40-8.40am in Staff Room; Thursdays 3.10-4.10pm in Arts/Staff Room. Please collect your children promptly at the end of the lesson or late fees may apply. Cost per term is \$93.00 per student for Term 2 (for one session each week). Start dates for Term 2 – Monday 11 April – 20 June; Thursday 14 April-23 June. To register and pay for your child/ren please go to our secure web site [www.gardinerchess.com.au](http://www.gardinerchess.com.au) and click on the "Parent" icon. You then need to create a new account and follow the instructions. If you already have an account, please login using your user name and password. Once your dashboard comes up click on student coaching, new enrolment, then select the new term, add to cart and check out. For further information please contact (07) 5522 7221.

**NAB AFL Auskick** is running at your school now! Where: Ascot State School. When: Friday 6 May (First Session). Length: 7 weeks. Cost: \$75.00. For more information visit [aflauskick.com.au](http://aflauskick.com.au).

**Aussie Hoops is back at Ascot State School:** Enrol your child now to learn the game of Basketball with trained coaches. Kids will learn the skills and the rules in a fun and safe environment. Program runs for 6 weeks straight after school. Join Now! What: Aussie Hoops Basketball, Where: Ascot SS undercover play area, Who: Boys and Girls from Grade 3 and Up, When: Thursdays 3.15pm–4.15pm, Starts: May 12 (runs for 6 weeks), Cost: \$75.00. All participants receive a basketball, singlet, and backpack. To register go to [www.brisbane.basketball.net.au](http://www.brisbane.basketball.net.au) and click on the Aussie Hoops tab. For more information call Lucian on 0419 724 392

Want to play netball? **The Gap Netball Club** has vacancies for 8 to 10 year old players (born 2006 to 2008) for the 2016 season. Netball is the most popular team sport in Australia and The Gap Netball Club is the biggest in Queensland. Teams train on weekday afternoons and evenings at Hilder Road State School and play at Downey Park on Saturdays from April to August. Contact Registrar Ian MacColl at

[registrar@thegapnetball.org](mailto:registrar@thegapnetball.org) or on 0438 115 382 for further information.

Brisbane Times **City2South Fun Runs:** I run for excitement. I run for adventure. I run for ? Brisbane 5 June - 5 km and 14 km Fun Runs. For more information go to [city2south.com.au](http://city2south.com.au).

**School Golf:** We are coming to Ascot State School on Tuesday 19 April from 3.15-4.00pm for a free trial session. For information on the program and to enrol visit [www.firstswing.com.au](http://www.firstswing.com.au) or call 0432 740 073.