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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It's hard to believe we are half way through the term. Students are well underway with their term three units and we are all eagerly awaiting our Book Week dress-up day next Monday 21 August. The theme this year is *Escape to Everywhere*. The leadership team look forward to sharing some stories with our Ascot children in the school library during Book Week. For further information click on this link:

<https://cbca.org.au/cbca-childrens-book-week>

School Vision and Focus

Each semester, schools report on student achievement in the aspects of an achievement standard that have been taught and assessed during the reporting period. This year we have reviewed our reporting format including the overall written report cards, the parent-teacher interviews and the celebrations of learning. In Week 9 of this term we will be conducting our parent-teacher interviews in the hall for Prep to Year 6 with the exception of 2A, 2C, 5B and 6A.

Teachers make on-balance judgments about the quality of student work in the assessment folio, that is, how well the student has met those elements of the achievement standard that have been taught and assessed during the reporting period. Teachers provide timely and ongoing feedback that enables each student to monitor their own learning and develop achievable learning goals. Our school reporting processes are clear and transparent for parents, so that you understand:

- the learning expectations for the student
- the student's achievement against expected standards
- how well the student is engaging with the expected learning

- how the student may be able to improve.

We have scheduled Parent-Teacher Interviews with your child's teacher regarding their progress this year. These meetings enable meaningful discussion between teachers and parents to assist in the development of the child socially, emotionally and academically. Please note the change in interview format as **all interviews will be conducted in the hall NOT in classrooms**. Please click on the link below from Monday 21 August to access our online booking system:

School and Community Partnerships

Thank you to those families who have completed the annual school opinion survey. The survey remains open until 25 August 2017. All families were sent a unique code to access the survey online and we value your feedback and support so please complete the survey if you have not done so already.

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, reminders on Assembly each Monday and on the school Facebook page.

Have a great week.

Regards

Gayle Coleman, Principal

PREP IN 2018

We are currently accepting enrolments for the 2018 school year. Enrolment packages can be collected from our office. On receipt of a completed enrolment form we then book a Prep interview for you and your child. These interviews enable us to

collect any additional information about your child that is not contained in the written documentation.

Transition days for the 2018 Preps are on Wednesday November 1 or Wednesday November 2 from 9.30- 10.45am. At this time students will transition to their classrooms with their teachers for the 2018 school year. Any additional information can be obtained by contacting the Early Years Deputy Principal Roxanne Smith on rsmit310@eq.edu.au.

Roxanne Smith, (Prep-Year 2)

BOUQUETS

To our wonderful relief teachers who support our students when teachers are absent from our school through illness or approved leave. We enjoy working with you.



UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 6	EVENTS
Tuesday 15/8/17	EKKA Meal Deal (not 2C, 2D or 2E) 2C, 2D & 2E Newstead House Excursion ICAS Mathematics Competition Prep 2018 Enrolment Interviews
Wednesday 16/8/17	Royal Queensland Show Public Holiday
Thursday 17/8/17	8.15-9.30am: Uniform Shop 2C, 2D & 2E EKKA Meal Deal
Friday 18/8/17	Prep Disco Prep 2018 Enrolment interviews
WEEK 7	EVENTS BOOK WEEK
Monday 21/8/17	8.15-9.30am: Uniform Shop 9.00am: Years 3-6 Assembly 10.30am: Prep-Year 2 Assembly (Hosts PC & PD) Book Week Dress Up Day and Parade
Tuesday 22/8/17	
Wednesday 23/8/17	8.15-9.30am: Uniform Shop 9.00am: Student Banking Year 5 UQ Project

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 21 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. This is not a fundraiser.

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

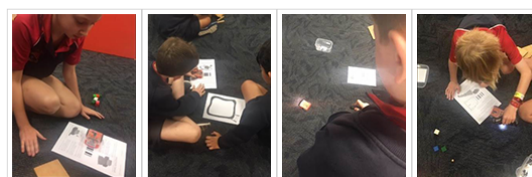
Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge finishes on 25 August. Students need to have their forms returned to their own class teacher by this date. Congratulations to those classes who have 100% participation.



<http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge/booklist.html>

STEAM NEWS



Year 5 have been introduced this week to our new Edison Robots. Edisons are designed to provide users with an opportunity to experiment and have fun,



while challenging their knowledge, innovativeness and imagination. Students can use the program 'Edware or Edblocks' and use block coding to program their Edison robot. This week, students experimented with the pre loaded bar codes to complete a range of challenges. Edison has infrared LED and light sensors to detect sound and movement. In our lessons we discovered how to program Edison through clapping, how to avoid obstacles, to follow a torch light and to follow lines on a race track. Students worked collaboratively to solve problems and had a whole lot of fun!

Recently we had the DET Cybersafety team out to talk to our students and parents about the importance of being safe online and how to maintain a positive digital footprint. To help protect your children at home, it was recommended to install some level of internet filtering. It was strongly suggested that parental supervision when children are online is the key. It is important to set clear rules for where your child uses devices within your home, what sites and online activities they can access and who they are connecting with online.

For further reading, please refer to:

<https://www.staysmartonline.gov.au/>

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/>

The below brochure was given to parents at the discussion evening. Please pop in to the library if you would like a copy – we have a few spares. It contains some very handy family reading.



Kristine Atkins, eLearning Manager

PAYMENT PROCESS CHANGE

Commencing this week, we will be progressively changing student details to enable invoices to be emailed out to families.

Prep & Year 5 will be the first year levels being changed so from this week onwards any invoices for Prep and Year 5 students will be emailed. Each year level will be notified via Facebook and the Digest when their accounts are enabled to receive emailed invoices.

If you have received a note requesting payment and haven't received your invoice please check your Junk Mail Box in case your system has placed it there.

Please use BPOINT as it is the Department's and school's preferred Payment option. Click the link below for details.

Donna Fredrickson, Business Manager

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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

PA	Connor McN	3A	Amelie B
PB	Oliver H	3B	Sebastian M
PC	Hudson B	3C	Harrison C
PD	Dalia A	3D	Eloise D
PE	Amira L	3E	Hugo M
1A	Sienna J	4A	Ava F
1B	Charlotte C	4B	Eloise C
1C	Millie H	4C	Sophie S
1D	Rayan Y	4D	Tom H
1E	Cash C	5/4	Erem M
1F	William W	5A	Shuri T
2A	Alex D	5B	Madeline P
2B	Emily J	5C	Nikolas V
2C	Celeste G	6A	Angus S
2D	Vivienne L	6B	Oliver D
2E	George H	6C	Beth S

GOLDEN TICKET AWARDS

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

Marx E (PA)	Anika D (3A)
Evie P (PB)	Talia B (3E)
Lucy H (1A)	Harrison E (3E)
George D (2B)	Aiden W (3E)

MUSIC NEWS

Ms Doucet, our Brass and Percussion Teacher, continues her leave for the next two weeks. She is replaced by Mr Lanham who will conduct the Senior Band and Brass Ensemble Rehearsals.

Some of our musicians will perform at our Big Day Out on Saturday, 9 September. The choirs will perform 3.30-4.00pm. The Brass and Woodwind Ensembles 3.00-3.30pm and there is a possibility the String Ensemble will perform as negotiations for a time are underway. The children will not wear their school uniform. They may wear modest casual clothes, e.g. jeans, long shorts, skirts and Tee shirts, etc. A note will be sent home with details.

Junior Band continues on Friday mornings at 7.45am conducted by our Year 3 Woodwind teacher, Ms Dykes. If your child cannot attend a band rehearsal, please email or write a note to Ms Dykes. This is a policy we uphold for all our band and ensemble rehearsals. The children are preparing for their performance in Term 4 and all beginner brass, woodwind and percussion musicians are expected to attend as was agreed when they commenced learning at the beginning of the year.

My Fair Lady rehearsal this Friday will be the girl's chorus at 1.15pm in the Music Room.

If you have any questions please contact the Music Department.

- Debbie Daley, ddale3@eq.edu.au**
- Kylie Moorhouse, kmoor31@eq.edu.au**
- Mark Boughen, mboug8@eq.edu.au**
- Connie Lien, clien1@eq.edu.au**
- Lois Pagano, lpag0@eq.edu.au**
- Christy Dykes, cadykes@me.com**

P.E. NEWS

City District AFL

Congratulations to Annaka M on her selection in the City District Girls AFL Team and we wish her all the best at the Met North Carnival.

Met North Athletics

We wish all our competitors the very best as they compete at UQ next Tuesday 22 August and Wednesday 23 August.

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

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:

AFL	Mouthguards required	Zillmere
T20 Cricket		Norths Cricket, Shaw Road
Touch	Boys and girls at separate venues	Norths Hockey, Shaw Road/ Brothers Stafford

Baseball		Hendra All Stars
Flipperball		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.

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

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

The Prep Disco, proudly supported by Amanda Butler of Butler & Co Estate Agents, is on this Friday 18 August and the Year 4/5 Disco is 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. Orders have now closed. 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 3		Home Bake - Group 3	
Monday 21/8/17	Angela B, Emily T	Monday 21/8/17	Deborah P, Michelle F, Kylie L
Tuesday 22/8/17	Catherine K, Alice I	Tuesday 22/8/17	Michelle McL, Brielle K
Wednesday 23/8/17	Renee B, Fiona McK	Wednesday 23/8/17	Nicole A, Jemma C
Thursday 24/8/17	Lisa C, Olivia G	Thursday 24/8/17	Madeleine L, Lorelle C
Friday 25/8/17	Natasha J, Tonja F, Dina C	Friday 25/8/17	Natalie MacG, Brooke G, Vicki D

FROM THE 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.

Would you like to be one of our new uniform shop volunteers once a month 8.15am to 9.30am?

If you are interest in supporting the school and volunteering, please contact Jacqui in the Uniform Shop by popping in to the shop, emailing uniformshop@ascotss.eq.edu.au or phoning 3862 2476 during our opening hours.

We would love for you to join our wonderful team!

Uniform Shop Hours

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 8.15-9.30am

Phone: 3862 2476

Email: uniformshop@ascotss.eq.edu.au

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

We look forward to assisting you.

The Uniform Shop Team

UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

Uniform Shop - Group 4	
Monday 21/8/17	Loren J
Wednesday 23/8/17	Tash J
Thursday 24/8/17	Alice I

ASCOT BIG DAY OUT: 9 SEPTEMBER 2017

Click the link below for details of the Ascot Big Day out on Saturday 9 September or collect a flyer from the Office.

WANTED: CHOCOLATES FOR ABDO LOB-A-CHOC

WEEK 7 - 21-25 AUGUST

Click the link below for details of the Ascot Big Day out on Saturday 9 September or collect a flyer from the Office.

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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.

SWIM CLUB

Register on Flexischools

Thanks to those families who have registered for Ascot Swim Club. We have over 100 swimmers already. Don't delay your registration as it's a great value sporting activity at only \$130 per family. This price includes a welcome bag filled with goodies by our generous sponsors and a Club T-shirt.

Action Photography

This year we will have a sports photographer come along one night in October to take action shots of the swimmers. Please tick the photography consent boxes at time of registration to

ensure you will be able to access our password locked gallery of images.

Swim Club Captains

We are going to appoint Club Captains this season. Nomination forms will be emailed out at the end of Term 3 for our interested senior swimmers to complete.

The Ascot Cup will be held at our school this season so our captains will have a part to play on this day. Captains will also need to be willing to lend a hand on Club nights, supporting our juniors, helping with numbering arms, etc.

Parent Rosters

Swim Club is a volunteer based sub-committee of the P&C. The Club simply can't run without our members who kindly volunteer on Club nights. This season the rosters will be filled in alphabetical order. Each family will have an equal amount of duties to fulfil per term. This seems to be the fairest and easiest solution and we thank you all in advance for your co-operation.

Canteen Convenor

We are desperately seeking a Mum/Dad/Grandparent/Friend (or two) to run the canteen. Our previous convenors will be able to show you the ropes if you wish or you can put your own spin on it. The Swim Club Canteen/Bar has been a great little fundraiser for our school for generations. It would be a huge shame if it couldn't go ahead this season. Don't forget you will have volunteers to serve the counter - your role involves ordering, setting up, and lock up. Job share is welcome.

Members

New members welcome. Have a chat to one of us and we'll find a role that fits!

Presidents	Charles E, Jodie C
Treasury	Will A
Secretary	Brad J
Grants	Anna J
Rosters	Ange B
Data Entry	Juliet S, Nathan P
Starter	Charles E
Reserve Starter	?
Canteen Convenor	?
Design	Jacqui C
Other contributors	Margo B, Tracy R

Swim Club Partners

Major Sponsor - Ray White Ascot

Minor Sponsors - Dune, 1300smoke alarms, Ascot Green.

If you or your business would like to donate goods or services for raffles and prizes or can help us with discounted/donated produce for our BBQ/Canteen supply we'd love to hear from you.

Join our list of sponsors of goods and services:

Amanda Bloxsom Photography
Events Cinemas Toombul

VICI
Hamilton Hotel

Ascot Swim Club - swimclub@ascotss.eq.edu.a

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; 6.00pm for Juniors, 7.00pm for Seniors (over 13 years old). Mums and Dads can join in and enjoy a sport with the kids! Please contact Dai Sempai Hamish James on 0439717483 for any further details.

All Stars Baseball: Be a star this summer. Come and try Baseball. Are you looking for a fun and dynamic sport to keep the kids active this summer? All stars Baseball Club, located at 116 Gerler Road, Hendra, would like to invite girls and boys of all ages and skill levels to come and try baseball. Come and try our great game in August and find your new summer sport. Sunday 20 August 2-4pm and Sunday 27 August 2-4pm. www.allstarsbaseball.com.au

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.