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# THE Digest

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## FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Welcome to Week 8 and thank you to both 2C and 3A for the caring messages at Assemblies this week on Being Kind. This connects very well with our Golden Rule of “treat others as you would like to be treated”. At Ascot State School one of our expectations is being respectful and we model this every day for our students. What does this look like? All children are respectful of others’ beliefs, traditions and ideas; all students feel valued and a part of the Ascot school community; all children use kind words when talking to others and do not use put-downs, nasty words or spread rumours. Every day we are all working towards being kind and respectful to others.

### Learning Enhancement at Ascot State School

Today and tomorrow we look forward to watching our students do their personal best at our School Cross Country events. In the event it is raining we will advise parents via Class Parent Reps and Facebook of any changes.

- Wednesday 16 March – Prep to Year 2 – on the school oval
- Thursday 17 March – Years 3 to 6 – at Brothers. Please see the H/PE note re further information.

I look forward to hearing from our students at the Honour’s Music Camp this week.

### School and Community Partnerships

I look forward to seeing parents here next week to share your child’s progress this term. Please note our Celebration of Learning times are:

<b>Monday:</b>	Year 1: 2:30 – 3:00pm
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Year 2: 8:50 – 9:15am
	Year 6: 8:30 – 9:00am
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Year 5: 8:30 – 9:00am
	Year 3: 8:30 – 9:00am
	Year 4: 2:00 – 2:30pm
<b>Thursday:</b>	Prep: 8:30 – 9:00

Remember to sign up for your Parent Teacher Interview. We have scheduled Parent-Teacher Interviews so you can meet with your child’s teacher. These meetings enable meaningful discussion between teacher and parent to assist in the development of the child socially, emotionally and academically.

**Interviews have been scheduled in Week 1 and Week 2 of Term 2, from Monday 11 April to Friday 22 April, 2016.**

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**The online booking system is open from 9.00am Monday 21 March to 3.00pm Friday 1 April.**

### Bullying - No Way!

A reminder that *The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence* will be held this Friday 18 March. As a school, we will be participating in this day and students are encouraged to wear orange to show their support. Students wearing orange are asked to bring a gold coin donation and all funds raised will go to Kids Helpline. All students will participate in a Say No to Bullying awareness raising activity in their classrooms.

As 3A demonstrated during their assembly performance on Monday, let’s all *Show a Little Kindness!*

**Great state. Great opportunity.**



## ICAS 2016

The registrations for the 2016 ICAS tests will close this Friday. Please ensure any further registration forms (Years 3-6 students only) are returned to the office by 3.00pm. Please see Mr Matthews if you have any questions regarding ICAS.

### Parent Information Session “Mindset and Motivation for Learning Success” Friday 18 March 2.00-2.45pm – PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE – Staff Room

Motivation is a battery pack of skills, from passion to perseverance to self-control. A little-known fact about motivation is that it can be taught and parents play a pivotal role. Come along and enjoy an inspiring information session that will outline motivation and mindset and provide you with the tips, strategies and latest research to help your child grow and flourish. This information session is for all parents, regardless of your child’s grade at school.

This Parent Information Session will include information from the Parent Mindset Session last year, but also provide lots of new and important considerations for parents.

I look forward to welcoming you. Please RSVP to [dclar70@eq.edu.au](mailto:dclar70@eq.edu.au). Deanne Clark, HOC Personalised Learning

### Award Recipients – Junior and Senior Assembly

The awards this week are for “Demonstrating Respect”.

Respect is an important way of being kind and good to other people. Respect means thinking how somebody else feels and treating another person the same way you’d like to be treated yourself. Demonstrating Respect reflects our Play Is The Way, Golden Rule!

There are lots of ways to demonstrate respect at school. The students this week, remember to say “please” and “thank you”; value and appreciate differences; lend a helping hand; behave appropriately with teachers and friends and follow the school rules. Congratulations girls and boys!

Class	Demonstrating Respect
1A	Fletcher T, Matisse L
1B	Ava D, Alex D
1C	Isabella S-A, Zachary V
1D	Emily N-S, Sebastian W
1E	Fraser S, Lily McC
2A	Aidan W, Tanveer B
2B	Malia Lep, Charlie F
2C	Lauren J, Ambre K
2D	Adithya S, Maddison A-C
2E	Phoebe N, Harper C
3A	Gemma N, Bardia N

Class	Demonstrating Respect
3B	Shanae S, Oliver H
3C	Michael D, Miles D
3D	Olivia P, Stephen W
3E	Gabriella S, Roan McN
4A	Liliana H, Ethan L
4B	Stephanie C, Grayson C
4C	Mishca B, Sam G
4D	Ines M, Sam E
4E	Ben D, Emerson P
5A	Jack M, Tayla N
5B	Annaka M, Claudia H
5C	Seyeon K, Mavis Miranda
6/5	Molly R, Keira T
6A	Liam M, Maya P
6B	Alexander Macp, Bonnie R
6C	Toby E, Adiva A

Regards



**Gayle Coleman, Principal**

## BOUQUETS

Special thanks to the Year 6 teachers for all the coordination of our 2016 Leadership Program and for joining our students at the Leadership Day on Monday.

## INFORMATION ABOUT PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS & BOOKING AN INTERVIEW TIME

### Online Parent-Teacher Interview Booking System:

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Session times are in 15 minute blocks. To give teachers time to prepare for each interview, bookings will close at 3.00pm Friday 1 April and remain closed throughout the interview weeks.

Changes and cancellations must be made prior to the close date.

Later changes can only be made through direct contact with the class teacher via email as the booking system will remain closed.

Please direct any questions to your class teacher.

**Leanne Paxton**

## P.E. NEWS

### City District Trials

Great work all those students who trialled last Friday for the City District Netball and Rugby League teams. Congratulations to Lachlan Z, Ryan C and Charlie B who were selected in the U11 Rugby League and Lachlan R who made it into the U12 side. We wish these boys good luck when they compete at the Met North event. Also we wish good fortune to all the children attending the Touch and Soccer trials this Friday. These are the last trials for Term 1. Term 2 trials will be advertised in the first newsletter after the holidays.

### Cross Country

#### Junior Wednesday 16 March/Senior Thursday 17 March

Hopefully the Junior Cross Country proceeded successfully today with fair weather.

Tomorrow for the Senior Cross Country children need to come to the event dressed in house shirts, shorts and sandals, with hats, sunscreen, required medication and water bottles. A first aid officer will be present at the Senior Cross Country. Years 3–6 students will also require some morning tea. Half the children at a time will be transported down to Brothers, **starting at 8:30 with the Year 5 and 6 students.** Please remember we do need some parent helpers down at Brothers to put up house tents at 7.30am.

The Carnival will proceed if just light showers, but if there is heavy rain a decision will be made early on Thursday and will be posted on the Facebook page. Class Parent Representatives will also be informed as quickly as possible.

#### Years 3–6 Cross Country Approximate Program Times (Marshalling)

9.10am	Boys Born 2004
9.20am	Girls Born 2004
9.30am	Boys Born 2005
9.45am	Girls Born 2005
10.10am	Boys Born 2006

10.25am	Girls Born 2006
10.45am	Boys Born 2007
11.00am	Girls Born 2007
11.15am	Boys Born 2008
11.30am	Girls Born 2008

### Prep Children – Locomotor Skill Development

This term Prep students have been involved with lots of different movement activities and I have been assessing their locomotor skill development, including their ability to skip, gallop, hop, jump, leap and run. If you notice your child having difficulty performing any of these movements to travel in different directions over distance, then it would help their development if you could play some movement games incorporating these skills. Easter holidays might be the perfect opportunity for playing some games while looking for eggs or playing, “What’s the time Easter Bunny/Mr Wolf?”

### Queensland Cricket Come and Try Fun Afternoon - Tuesday 22 March 3.00-4.00pm

Everyone is invited to participate in a fun afternoon of cricket on 22 March. Included in the afternoon will be the Brisbane Heat van, Milo poppers, Milo T20 Blast games and speakers with music. So mark the date on your calendars and come and join the fun.

**Alayne Graham, Prep-Year 2, Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, [agrah27@eq.edu.au](mailto:agrah27@eq.edu.au)**  
**Paul Harris, Years 3-6, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, [pharr17@eq.edu.au](mailto:pharr17@eq.edu.au)**

**P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:  
TONIGHT  
WEDNESDAY 16 MARCH 2016 AT 7.30PM  
IN SCHOOL (HALL)**

## FROM YOUR P&C

It is a busy, busy week with Cross Country Carnivals, excursions and, of course, our AGM.

Thank you to those parents who have expressed an interest in joining the P&C. Our Annual General Meeting will be held tonight, Wednesday 16 March 2016 at 7.30pm in the school hall.

The following executive positions will become vacant:

- President
- Vice-President (two positions)
- Secretary
- Treasurer

- Chair of all Sub-Committees (Swim Club, Tuckshop, Uniform Shop, FoVAD, Physical Environment, Health & Wellbeing Group, and FoM).

We already have some parents who have indicated that they will be seeking (re)election, but we ask that parents give serious consideration to becoming part of the executive P&C team and for those who are new to the school, or to Ascot P&C Association, we suggest becoming a P&C member. It is a wonderful way to show your child that you value their education. To ensure the continuity of our services to the school it is imperative that these roles be filled. And if you would like a say on how money raised is spent, you will need to become a P&C member to ensure your voting rights. So please print out the nomination form, sign it and bring it along to the meeting tonight.

If you have any questions, please email me at [pandcpresident@ascotss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandcpresident@ascotss.eq.edu.au).

**Sarah Comiskey, P&C President**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Monday 14/3/ 16-Thursday 24/3/16</b>	Spellathon monies returning
<b>Wednesday 16/3/16</b>	7.30pm: P&C AGM (Hall)
<b>Thursday 17/3/16</b>	Years 3-6 Senior Cross Country (Brothers RUC) St. Patrick's Day
<b>Friday 18/3/16</b>	Bullying No Way Free Dress Day City District Soccer Trials City District Touch Trials Year 1 Year Level Lunch (Rugger's Albion) 2.00-2.45pm Parents as Partners Session 1 (Staff Room) Swim Club Presentations
<b>Saturday 19/3/16</b>	Election Voting (Hall) Earth Hour
<b>Monday 21/3/16- Thursday 24/3/16</b>	Celebrations of Learning
<b>Monday 21/3/16</b>	9.00am: Years 3-6 Assembly hosted by 4D/4E (Hall) 10.30am: Years 1-2 Assembly hosted by 1E (Hall) Parent Teacher Interviews open
<b>Tuesday 22/3/16</b>	1C & 1E Nudgee Beach Environmental Centre Excursion
<b>Wednesday 23/3/16</b>	8.15-9.30: Uniform Shop 9.00am: Student Banking 9.15am: Welcome Group (White Jam Café) 1A, 1B, 1C Nudgee Beach Environmental Centre Excursion

Easter Meal Deal  
Met North AFL  
7.00-8.00pm: School Council Meeting

## ELECTION BAKE STALL: SATURDAY 19 MARCH

The P&C has always run a Bake Stall on Election days. It is a great way to raise money outside the immediate school community. Nicole A has volunteered to co-ordinate the roster and will be responsible on the day but she needs some volunteers to help with the stall. That doesn't mean you have to be there all day. The stall will open at 8.00am and we need 2-3 people to help out, for one hour slots, up until 12.00pm (or until sold out). Or maybe you can help price on Friday morning?

And of course, **we need bakers**. There will be containers and tags available from the Tuckshop in the week 14-18 March.

You can drop off your baked goods (there is only very limited refrigerated space, so items that don't require refrigeration are the easiest) to the Music practice room (under the hall) on Friday 18 March or else directly to the stall on Saturday morning.

A big thank you to Nicole and please email her if you are happy to help out with baking or selling. Nicole's email is [nanni7@eq.edu.au](mailto:nanni7@eq.edu.au).

## FoVAD NEWS

This Friday, our students will recognise "Bullying No Way Day" by dressing in orange.



The colour orange evokes hope, light, joy and peace. Vincent Van Gogh, whose artwork the Years 5 and 6 children have studied this term, used orange frequently and dramatically in his work. Vincent put an orange moon and stars in a cobalt blue sky. Prescient of our modern use of orange as a symbol of hope that the suffering caused by bullying will end, Vincent Van Gogh once wrote that he was, "Searching for oppositions of blue with orange, of red with green, of yellow with violet, searching for broken colours and neutral colours to harmonize the brutality of extremes, trying to make the colours intense, and not a harmony of greys".

This week in lunchtime Art Club, our artist in residence, Anuska De Luca will help the children to create beautiful orange wearable flowers to celebrate Bullying No Way Day.

Thanks to our kind sponsors, Ray White Ascot.

**Katrina Murphy, FoVAD Convenor**

## 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 meets from 9.15-11.00am every Wednesday (commencing 3 February) during school term 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](mailto:welcome@ascotss.eq.edu.au)

## FROM THE TUCKSHOP

**HURRY LAST DAYS TO ORDER EASTER MEAL DEAL  
 CUT-OFF IS FRIDAY 18 MARCH AT 9.30AM**

The Easter Meal is on Wednesday 23 March. The cut-off for ordering the Meal Deal is Friday 18 March by 9.30am via Flexischools.

Please remember that the Tuckshop will NOT be selling any other items for Lunch on the 23 March, so if your child is not having the Easter Meal Deal you must pack them lunch from home.

Morning Tea will be served as normal.

### Forgotten Lunches

Mum hasn't packed me enough to eat"; "I ate all my lunch at Morning Tea". These are the comments we hear at Tuckshop on a regular basis. When a child comes to Tuckshop with any of these comments we supply them with the following:

Morning Tea: home bake and a piece of fruit

Lunch: a sandwich (Vegemite, jam or honey) and a home bake.

We then send a letter home to the parent, asking for payment via the Flexischools system.

**Kathryn, Yolanda and the Tuckshop Committee**

## TUCKSHOP ROSTERS

Tuckshop - Group 1		Home Bake - Group 1	
<b>Monday</b> 21/3/16	Miranda, Kath G	<b>Monday</b> 21/3/16	Andrea Y, Julianne D, Ceri McD

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<b>Tuesday</b> 22/3/16	Kim H, Carleen W	<b>Tuesday</b> 22/3/16	Louise A, Leanne N, Russell C
<b>Wednesday</b> 23/3/16	Alison L, Amanda B	<b>Wednesday</b> 23/3/16	Julia R, Alison S, Priyanka
<b>Thursday</b> 24/3/16	Natasha J, Emma-Jane V	<b>Thursday</b> 24/3/16	Kristin H, Louise K, Melissa V, Bushra M
<b>Friday</b> 25/3/16	Kristin H, Danielle B, Cindy J	<b>Friday</b> 25/3/16	Angela B, Kate H

## UNIFORM SHOP ROSTER

Group 4	
<b>Monday</b> 21/3/16	Julie B
<b>Wednesday</b> 23/3/16	Kate R
<b>Thursday</b> 24/3/16	Cindy J

Well done to all our swimmers who competed last week in the Club Championships. This Friday night we will be awarding our Age Champions and celebrating the end of the season with a free sausage sizzle and free swim for the children. We invite all our members and their families to join us. Please arrive at the usual Club night time of 5.45pm.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

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

## 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).

**St. Mark's Anglican Church Free Family Fun Day** for toddlers to ten year olds. Saturday 19 March from 9.00am-12.00pm. Corner Bonney Avenue and Bellevue Terrace, Clayfield. All children must be accompanied by a

supervising adult. Old MacDonald's Farm, Jumping Castle, Face Painting, Animal Balloon Twister, Sausage Sizzle, Toddler Play, Messy Play, Craft Activities, Visiting Fire Engine (if available). Please remember to bring hats and sunscreen as some activities are outside. All children must be accompanied by a supervising adult. For more information contact the Church office (Monday-Friday 8.00am-12.00pm) on 3862 2221.

**Valley's Hockey Club Under 11 Hockey:** Attention Boys born in 2005/2006. New or Experienced Players welcome. is looking for you to join their Under 11 team. Training at Shaw Park on Wednesdays, games are on Saturday mornings (after Easter). Contact Len Doo on 0413 522 196 or email [len.doo@telstra.com](mailto:len.doo@telstra.com) .