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# What's On

_	Musica Viva – Whole School		
Friday 29 July	Year 3 QLD Ballet-Dancing Through Cultures	9am-11am	Hall
Friday 29 July	Colour Fun Run	1.30pm-3.30pm	School Oval
Monday 1 August	City District Track and Field		
Tuesday 2 August	City District Track and Field		
Wed 3 to Fri 5 August	Year 5 Mapleton Camp (3 days)		QCCI Mapleton
Wednesday 10 August	Brisbane Show Holiday		
Thur 11 to Fri 12 August	Year 4 Camp		Tangalooma
Tuesday 16 August	Year 5/6 STEM Punks		

Wednesday 17 August	Year 5/6 STEM Punks		
Wednesday 17 August	P&C Meeting	7.30pm-8.30pm	Staffroom
Fri 26 August	Book Week-Dreaming with Eyes Open Book Fair		
	Book Week Assembly	9.15am	Covered Games Court
Friday 26 August	Prep Disco	4pm-5pm	Hall
Saturday 27 August	Fathers Event		
Wednesday 31 August	Group Photos		
Thursday 1 September	P&C Fathers' Day Stall	9am-11am	Covered Games Court
Friday 2 September	Student Free Day		



Tuesday 6 September	Instrumental Music Information Evening (Year 2-Invitation only)	6pm	Hall
Wednesday 7 September	Prep Reverse Garbage-Wind ornament	9am-12.30pm	Hall
_	Prep Reverse Garbage-Wind ornament	9am-10.30am	
Thursday 8 September	Triple P Seminar	9am-11am	Staffroom
Saturday, 10 September	P&C Gala Event		
_	Northside Honour's Senior Music Camp		
Thursday 15 September	Year 1 QLD Ballet-Peter and the Wolf	9am-11am	Hall
Friday 16 September	Last Day of Term 3		

# From the Principal

Dear Ascot Families

I hope that you had a good break and are enjoying the Brisbane winter. It is great to be back and focussing on the real work – teaching and learning.

On Tuesday 12 July, the Assistant Regional Director visited the school and went into a few classrooms. He was very impressed with the high level of engagement and knowledge students had in the area of STEAM. This is exceptional work. His recommendation is to continue the work in clarifying school-wide practices in the teaching of writing. Students have already completed a pre-test in writing and all teachers will be involved in moderating this work. Moderation against national standards ensures consistency of judgements within a school and across schools. We were pleased with the results from Semester 1. Compared to Semester 1 in 2021, there has been some progress. This too did not go un-noticed by the ARD.

The work that we are focussing on at Ascot is closely aligned to the regional priorities. The newly appointed acting Regional Director shared with principals on 18 July, the priorities that help us to stay the course:

 Deep knowledge of the Australian curriculum and evidence of informed decisions around how this is delivered.

- Moderation of student work and judgements within and across schools.
- Case management so that there is shared understanding of individual students and their progress.
- Authentic and age appropriate feedback to students on their work and the next step in their learning.

The school offers many clubs at lunch time or after school. These clubs create opportunities for students to pursue their interests.

- Musical Wednesday
- Debating Tuesday
- Coding Club Tuesday
- Environment Club Thursday
- Student Council Thursday fortnightly
- Training for Track and Field team Thursday
- Indigenous Art Club Monday
- Minecraft education Thursday
- First Lego League after school from Week 5

## Road safety

Schools have been contacted by Brisbane City Council to remind families about the need to be aware of our student safety. Illegal parking, drop off and pick up around schools continue to be an issue for many schools. This term BCC will be monitoring schools and driver practices. Visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au for more information. Please could I remind all families to follow the safe practices put in place at this school.

# Drop off and pick up zones

- The school offers two drop off and pick up zones -Pringle Street and Massey Street. Both zones operate on the school-side of the road.
- Pedestrian crossings staffed by crossing supervisors are located on Massey Street and Anthony Street.
- Please ensure that any family members who drop off or pick up children are aware of these traffic conditions around the school.
- Please display the school-supplied, laminated, family name card on the passenger visor so that we can easily call your family to the car. If you require additional name cards, please request these from the office.

#### Massey Street

- The Massey Street zone is located by the school hall.
- There is space for cars to queue up to Anthony Street. Please take care in this zone, as cars cannot queue past the corner, as this causes traffic to stop flowing along Anthony Street, and then blocks cars from exiting at the top of Pringle Street. This then prevents all traffic from moving around the school

### Pringle Street parking drop off/pick up

- The whole of Pringle Street, from the games court (tuckshop area) to the gates that access the oval, is a No Parking Zone between 7:00am – 9:00am and 2:00pm – 4:00pm.
- There is a 15-minute parking zone at the top of Pringle Street that operates from 7:00am to 9:00am.
   This accommodates 10 cars.
- The Drop Off/Pick up Zone is in line with the covered games court and will accommodate five cars, but the queue length runs the length of Pringle St to the driveway that accesses the oval and will accommodate 20 cars.
- The area with the yellow lines is the Loading Zone.
- Passenger Loading Zones allow you to stop for up to two minutes to pick up or drop off your child.
   Remember to move forward as space becomes available and ensure your child watches for their ride and moves promptly to the vehicle.
- It is important that you always drop off and pick up in a designated passenger zone and remain with your vehicle at all times when using the passenger zone.
   Please observe the time restriction in the loading zone – do not overstay.
- For everyone's safety, please refrain from U-turning out of the pick-up line.
- Please respect our neighbours by not blocking driveways.

# **COVID** update

In these cooler months, we have seen an increase in flu like symptoms and possible COVID. Please could I remind families to keep children with any flu like symptoms home. We will continue to contact you if your child is unwell. Rapid Antigen tests will be given for you to test your child. Check the Queensland Health site for updates regarding COVID19. As you may have seen during the weekend, the Queensland Premier has strongly recommended face masks are worn while indoors to assist with preventing the further spread of the current wave of COVID-19. This message is in line with the health advice provided by National Cabinet.

Please also remember that requirements for wearing a face mask for 7 days after having COVID-19, or when a close contact, remain in place.

Staff are also being impacted by these viruses and replacing teachers can be an issue. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility in this matter.

Play gives children a chance to practise what they are learning – Fred Rogers

Play theorists have well documented the power of play being central to the way children learn. It offers children the time and space for experimentation with ideas, to take risks, explore social relationships and reimagine the world. Play also supports oral language development as well as emotional, and physical development.

And what's more it is a fun and engaging way to learn.

At Ascot we provide a number of opportunities throughout the day for children to play and extend their learning. This term our Prep teachers are experimenting with connecting play to the Science curriculum using our Loose parts play space. Even in Prep we are laying the foundation for the development of Science Inquiry skills. This term Preps are exploring the uses and properties of materials.

#### They will learn:

- How to group objects according to material.
- How to conduct a simple investigation.
- Possible uses for different materials.
- Properties of materials that make them good for different purposes

This learning will culminate in children creating and explaining their own inventions.

This week Prep B and Prep E were experimenting with materials to build a room to be added to a house from the story, Sharon Keep Your Hair On by Gillian Rubinstein. Children worked in teams to collaborate on their creations and were supported by teachers and teacher aides prompting learning with open ended questions. The use of open ended questions are designed to encourage deeper thinking on the part of the child whilst at the same time providing the teachers with insight into the child's thinking and reasoning.

# From the Deputy Principals

# Playing to learn



# NEW Students with a disability - Reasonable Adjustments Resourcing

The Department of Education has released a new resource allocation model for students with disability, replacing the Education Adjustment Program (EAP).

The Students with disability – Reasonable adjustments resourcing (RAR) model provides additional teachers and teacher aides to help schools make reasonable adjustments for students with disability.

I'm pleased to say RAR provides resources for all disabilities including autism, intellectual disability, vision, hearing and physical impairments as well as dyslexia, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and mental health conditions — based on the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability adjustment levels. This means we can receive support for students who may not have been recognised under the EAP.

We will transition to the new model over the next two years — 2023 and 2024 — and by 2025 all state and special schools will be resourced, based on the adjustments schools report making for students with disability.

Click the link below for the Students with disability – Reasonable adjustments resourcing – Information for students and families fact sheet which provides some more detailed information about RAR. More information can also be found on the Education website.

RAR School information students and families fact sheet

# 2022 ICAS Competition

Ascot will again be offering students the opportunity to participate in the Mathematics and English ICAS competitions this year.

#### What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills. Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

Learn more about ICAS here. (https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas)

#### How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

- read about ICAS subjects and prices here:(https://www.icasassessments.com/ products-icas)
- go to Parent Portal here: (https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps)
- 3. enter our school's access code -JQQ934
- 4. enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS tests shown for selection are at the school's discretion.

After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

We will notify you of the date(s) that we run ICAS at the school and when your child's ICAS results are ready. You and your child can access the results once released via the Reports Portal using the TAP ID and pin found on the back of the ICAS certificate.

The following information is a *privacy notification* about how your child's data is kept private and secure.

#### Privacy Collection Statement

Janison is aware of our responsibility to protect the identity of, and all information relating to, children, and students in general, from disclosure and consequently Janison does not:

- collect any personal information or data of children other than as required for the purposes of completion of the assessment, test or exam;
- transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in Australia to any jurisdiction outside of Australia other than with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;
- transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of assessments, tests or exams conducted in other international regions out of the child's jurisdiction other than with the specific

consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;

- share any personal information or data relating to children or students with any third parties (other than a third party whose services are necessary for servicing our products, e.g. print/distribution companies, medal engraving, etc.) except with the specific consent of the person, or his or her parent or guardian;
- use any personal information or data relating to children or students for marketing purposes.

Janison may retain personal information and data relevant to a child for their future purposes or for research purposes by Janison for the duration of the school life cycle of the child. However, if you or your child at any time wish to have their personal information or data removed from our systems, they or you may opt out by simply contacting our Privacy Officer-at privacy@janison.com.

We are proud to offer ICAS and look forward to some fantastic results later in the year.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

Regards

Cindy and Simone

## Kindy Funding Reform Package

From 2023, Queensland is introducing a new kindy funding model to give every child a great start. It will further support families to enrol in kindy—making it more affordable and more accessible.

Children arrive at the kindy gate with their own unique strengths and abilities, interests and needs.

The reform package will deliver significant funding so all children can attend kindy and experience those lifelong benefits. From 2023, kindergarten in Queensland will be free for children who are experiencing vulnerability and/or disadvantage at both community kindergarten and kindergarten in long day care services.

The new scheme focuses on affordability, improved access, inclusion and educational outcomes for Queensland children.

The reforms will:

- improve educational outcomes
- increase participation and attendance of all children in Queensland
- target funding to children who need it most
- improve inclusiveness of services
- improve affordability by reducing fees for families

helping all children reach their full potential when they are at kindergarten.

# Parenting Seminars

Help your child or teenager prevent & cope with anxiety FREE PARENTING SEMINAR

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September, 9:00 – 11:00am, Ascot State School

Many parents are coming to realise that their child or teenager is anxious, but are unsure of the best way to help them. Often, the ways parents naturally react to having an anxious child can accidentally increase anxiety. That's why we're proud to be hosting a FREE Triple P Seminar to help all parents give children useful skills and strategies to prevent excessive worrying and build confidence. These are practical tips and techniques to help you build up your child's ability to handle uncomfortable emotions in a healthy way. You'll learn more about underlying causes of anxiety, and what works to reduce it.

The Fear-Less Triple P Seminar can help you:

- Understand more about anxiety (and how to reduce it)
- Look at different ways to respond to your child when they're anxious
- Give them skills to cope with challenging situations and solve problems
- Teach them a range of strategies based on proven principles

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program can help make raising kids easier, and help you guide them towards a happy and successful adulthood. The seminar is fun and friendly and it's FREE! Research shows that Fear-Less Triple P actually helps the whole family feel less stressed.

REGISTER NOW: Visit the Triple P website to learn more and book your free spot.

Triple P is a world-renowned program (developed in Queensland!) that has already helped more than 4 million children and their families, and is currently offered free of charge to Queensland parents and carers of children up to 16 years. Triple P also offers other seminars, group workshops and one-on-one consultations, as well as Triple P Online, Teen Triple P Online, and Fear-Less Triple P Online (web-based courses you do in your own time, at your own pace). There are also a range of Stepping Stones Triple P programs, which are tailored specifically for parents of a child with a disability. New Fear-Less Triple P helps parents of anxious children and teenagers.

### Students of the Week

These students impressed their teachers with their approach to learning in a variety of ways over the past week. Congratulations!

3A	Ariana L
3B	Malo N
3C	Orlando D
3D	Max C
3E	Sophia B
4A	Cohen C
4B	Aston P
4C	Angus K
4D	Vivaan S
4/5	Elias N
5A	Pippa C
5B	Koen L
6A	Oscar P
6B	Zaciah B
6C	Chloe C
Music	Ruby K
Japanese	Ollie S

### Golden Tickets

Congratulations to these students who are mastering our school expectations and earnt a **Golden Ticket** that put them into our weekly draw at Assembly. With thanks to the P & C for their support, our winners receive an ice block or home bake from the Tuckshop.

	Georgia Y
PA	Luca T
2B	Mia F
	Harriet T
	Jake V
	Angus K
_	Sriman V
4C	Michael C

#### **STEAM**

#### City Cluster Mini Festivals

The 2022 City Cluster Mini-Festivals kicked off this week. This is an exciting initiative aimed at high achieving students in Years 3 and 4.

Over the next two weeks, selected students have been given an opportunity to participate in a workshop of excellence in areas such as Mini Scientists, Writers, Mathematics, Coders, Visual Artists, Media Artists, Scientists and Design Thinkers.

Mr Manning and Ms Atkins have had the pleasure in hosting students to Ascot State School from our City Cluster schools, including Hendra, Hamilton, Petrie Terrace, Newmarket, New Farm, Windsor, Wilston, West End, Wooloowin, Brisbane Central, Milton, Kelvin Grove, Eagle Junction and Ascot State

School to participate in a STEAM Design Thinkers (Design Technologies) challenge.

We have developed an exciting program of learning for students who especially enjoy being curious and creative and enjoy working in Science, Design and Technologies. Throughout the program students will use the process of design inquiry (empathising, navigating ideas, creating prototypes, investigating successes and challenges) to collaboratively explore hydraulic and pneumatic systems. Students will explore the science behind hydraulic systems (the mechanical function that operates through the force of liquid pressure) and Pneumatic Systems (the mechanical function that operates through the force of air pressure), where these systems are used in real life and they will be challenged to collaboratively develop their own moving prototype using syringes as the hydraulic or pneumatic force.

We hosted our first group this week, who impressed us with their ability to look for new possibilities and to think outside the box with their ideas. We certainly look forward to sharing this work with our second group this coming week, which will also include our students from Ascot State School.

Please enjoy some of the final hydraulic and pneumatic systems that were designed by these inquisitive and interested learners. Their schools should be very proud of how they represented themselves.





Over the year, all of our classes at Ascot State School use design thinking across curriculum learning areas. Some examples of this inquiry thinking happening in our classroom this term, will include Year 2 students creating Rube Goldberg machines to show the forces they are learning about in Science, Prep are learning about materials in order to create their most Magnificent Thing, Year 6 are engaging in entrepreneurial work and Future Anything to create and design their own products to sell at a market stall. We look forward to sharing this learning as it progresses across the term.

## Library

#### Birthday Book Program



Happy Birthday Hudson C (2B)	Weirdo 5 – Totally Weird – Anh Do
Happy Birthday Ilina P	City of Dragons, The Awakening
(2A)	Storm – Jaimal Yogis

#### A message from Scholastic

Please be advised of a special offer which parents can access if families wish to do so.

Thank you your support of Book Club. Did you know that every dollar spent via Book Club also earns money for our school library. We are fortunate to be able to purchase many books every year due to the generosity of Scholastic and our Ascot State School families. Thank you!



# Music Department

Music is well said to be the speech of angels; In fact, nothing among the utterances allowed to man is felt to be so divine. It brings us near to the infinite. Thomas Carlyle

- All band, ensemble and choir rehearsals are in full swing. Please remember Ascot rehearsals start in week 1 and conclude in week 10 unless otherwise advised.
- A special welcome to Mr Jason Osman who is filling in for Mrs Doucet's Senior Band rehearsal on Tuesday morning and teaching her brass lessons. Also welcome to ex-Ascot Student, Ms Ally Dunk who will take Senior Band Wednesday rehearsals from week 3.
- All choirs are starting new repertoire for Semester 2.
   Now is a good time to join choirs. Simply attend the relevant rehearsal and sign up. No audition required.
   Boys especially welcome.
- Piccolos Choir (Prep and Year 1) Monday 8.15am
   Hall
- Ascot Singers (Years 2 and 3) Tuesday 7.45am
   Hall
- Ascot Chorale (Years 4,5,6) Friday 7.45am
   Hall
- Musica Viva performance group Dr Stovepipe are visiting the school next Tuesday to perform for the whole school. The children have been preparing for this concert and we look forward to working and creating with Dr Stovepipe. Please make sure you have returned the permission form.
- Parents of children who have been accepted for Music Honours Camp please remember to go online and officially register your child for this event.
- We have started the selection process for the Year 2's to enter the instrumental music program next year. First, the children complete a Selmer Aural Test then they are tested by an instrumental teacher to look at lips, arms, fingers, coordination etc to assess instrument suitability. The children are shown demonstrations of instruments to inspire their preferences as well. An expression of interest form will be sent home and those families who wish to participate then attend a Music Information Evening on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00pm.
- Mrs Daley and Ms Bartlett are presently preparing Year 4,5,6 students for our small musical "This is Who I Am "to be presented at the Choral Evening in November. If your child wishes to participate, rehearsals are held each Wednesday at first break in the hall.
- A special thanks to our FOMA coordinator, Lauren Daley and her band of helpers who provide refreshments and support for our concerts and run the discos. We held our 5/6 Disco last Friday and are looking forward to the Prep Disco on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> August.

 If your child participates in the music program please consider supporting our Friends of Music and the Arts group by emailing Lauren Daley, our coordinator for 2022.

foma-chair@ascotsspandc.org

6 September	Music Information Evening 6pm Hall	Year 2 Selected
26 October	Musicfest Competition	Senior Band/Show Band
9 November	Choral Evening Musical 6.30pm	All Choirs (Years 4,5,6)
17 November	Instrumental Evening 6.30pm	All bands and ensembles
25 November	Racecourse Rd Community Carols 6pm	All Choirs

 Please direct music enquiries to the music coordinator musicadmin@ascotss.eq.edu.au

Debbie Daley Classroom Music / Ascot Singers Choir / Ascot Chorale / Music Coordinator ddale3@eq.edu.au

Kylie Moorhouse Years 4,5,6 Woodwind /Percussion / Intermediate Band / Show Band kmoor31@eq.edu.au

Mark Boughen Strings / String Ensemble mboug8@eq.edu.au

Christy Dykes Year 3 Woodwind / Junior Band (Blue) cdyke14@eg.edu.au

Lois Pagano Prep/Year 1 Piccolos Choir loispagano17@gmail.com

Steven Port Year 3 Brass and Percussion / Junior Band (Red) sport170@eq.edu.au

P&C

#### The Colour Run is just 5 days away



Here is a guide of items that you'll need to mark off for your family.

- 1. Permission Slip: Sign and send back to school
- 2. Registration for Fundraising
- Add your child and set your schoolfunrun.com.au
- Don't forget, the class with the most online profiles registered by 29/07/2022 will win a class party!
- Plan your day
  - Prep-Year 2 Run @ 2pm
  - Year 3-6 Run @ 2:30
  - Sausage sizzle and drinks from 3-5pm on the oval.
     You can now pre-order sausages on Flexischools! \$3 for 1 and \$5 for 2
- Consider Volunteering
  - Go to this link to VOLUNTEER

Please Note: Parents will be responsible for supervising their children from 3pm onward.

## Have you got "The Ascot Gala" in your calendar?

7pm - Saturday 10th September 2022

Last week we announced that our Gala will be held at The Gallery of Modern Art (GOMA), coinciding with one of their major exhibitions.

The event will feature some major auction items as well as providing the opportunity to make tax deductible donations to some specific items on the building fund list. The proceeds of all of this will contribute so much to the school.

There are several sponsorship opportunities available for this amazing event, so please reach out if you think you can help. Contact comms@ascotsspandc.org.

The P&C need your help at The District Athletics Carnival



The P&C have been offered the opportunity to run the canteen at the upcoming districts carnival, raising funds for the P&C. We need volunteers to work with us in the canteen across the day. You can contact Bethany Poynter to discuss on 0419 328 136

Date and time: Monday 1st August and Tuesday 2nd August, 8am - 2pm (both days)

Location: Geebung Volunteer link

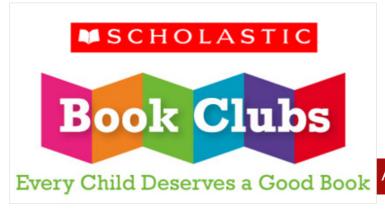
Thank you to those that attended the latest P&C Meeting
The first P&C meeting of the term was productive. We have
some excellent educational and social/emotional
development initiatives coming. We are also working through a
significant list of building items for funding.

## Change to Mother's Lunch Date



Based on venue availability, there has been a change to the Mother's Lunch . We have moved the event one week later to Friday 21st October - 12pm and it will be hosted in the Rose Room at Cloudland. So mum's, organise any child care you may need now and block out the date. This will be a lovely afternoon well spent together.

Issue #5 of Scholastic Book Club is out including a FREE Books Promo!



The new issue is out and this time Scholastic is giving back. With any spend of over \$30 you can choose a free book (30 FREE books to choose from)! A spend of olver \$50 will get you two freebies!

There's not many days left to order - for this issue and promotion, you must have your order in by July 29th, no later!

Scholastic book sales benefit the school with new books for our libraries and resources for our classrooms.

Please use the easy to operate ordering system (LOOP) available on www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or you can also download the LOOP Apple or Android app. Ascot SS is not accepting cash orders. Please do not send any orders to school.

Plenty of great new titles in this issue, enjoy, and happy reading.

#### Term 3 Important P&C Event Dates:

Friday, 29 July 1:30-3:30pm: Colour Run Wednesday 17th August: P&C Meeting Friday, 26 August 4-5pm: Prep Disco Saturday, 27 August: Father's Event

Thursday, 1 September 9-11am: Father's Day Stall

Saturday, 10 September, 7pm: Gala Event

## Extra Curricular Program

# **Community Notices**

## Brisbane North Tennis Academy

BNTA offers tennis coaching at the Reeve St tennis courts in Ascot for tiny tots (4yrs) through to adults. Players can choose from classes, private tuition and the option to form your own group if desired. Coaching is conducted 7 days per week (Mon-Sun). For a full list of available classes and costs please visit www.bnta.com.au. Mid-week ladies groups will continue on Tuesdays from 9.30-10.30am.

"OPENING OF ADDITIONAL JUNIOR CLASSES BEFORE SCHOOL"

Junior classes are now available from Monday - Wednesday mornings before school for those that are interested. Please visit www.bnta.com.au for more details and to enrol.

COMMUNITY TENNIS COURT HIRE for anyone wishing to casually hire the Reeve St tennis courts please visit <a href="www.bnta.com.au">www.bnta.com.au</a> and click the link on the homepage to the online booking system.

### Advertising in the Digest

This newsletter has a sponsorship section which provides a great opportunity for local businesses to engage with our parent community. If you would like to be part of this, please contact Schoolzine on 1300 795 503.