Principal’s Message:

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Driving back into the school grounds on Tuesday afternoon, after spending two days at a Principals’ Induction program, I was delighted to see so many cars parked at the front of our school. It indicated to me, that parents were attending our parent teacher interviews in great numbers. These parents were demonstrating their belief in the importance of education and collaborating with their child/ren’s teacher to maximize student outcomes. Please keep in mind, that parents can meet at any time during the school year to discuss their child’s progress.

Prep Enrolments 2016
Enrolment applications for Prep next year are now welcome. Children born between 1 July 2010 and 30 June 2011 are eligible to attend Prep in 2016. Birth certificates are essential prior to enrolment.

Collingwood Park State School although enrolment managed, does ensure that siblings of current students are still eligible for enrolment. We are only able to accommodate a hundred Prep children so priority will be given to those families living within our catchment area. Our website contains maps and details as to whether you are eligible to enrol. Please call 3381 4333 to make an appointment. We have an extensive transition to school program, which will commence in early Term 4. Please keep an eye out in our newsletter for further information.

School Values
Our school values are:

Co-operate
Attend (not just come to school, but participate in the life of the school)
Respect
Excel (be your best)

These values are not just for students, but for staff, parents and community members. During a staff meeting for teachers, we worked as a team to develop a matrix of what the values would look like ‘in action’ for teaching staff. As we will also work with our non-teaching staff this matrix is still a work in progress.
Principal’s Message Cont....

We will also work with a group of parents to generate a matrix of what the school values would look like ‘in action’ for parents and community members. If you would like to contribute to this piece of work, please contact me by email – mcuth2@eq.edu.au or by phone on 3381 4333.

Reading to Learn Program
Last week, I visited Kenmore State School with our Master Teacher and two of our Year 2 teachers, to observe teachers implementing the Reading to Learn Program. We have just begun our journey towards implementing Reading to Learn across our school, so it was very inspiring to see the program working in a school that is only one year ahead of us. We have already seen fantastic results in our students’ work, particularly their writing.

Nationally Collection of Data on Students with Disability
All Australian schools participate in the annual data collection on students with disabilities. This data helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide data to any other organisation that can identify an individual student.

The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:
- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- the students’ broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. If parents do not wish for their child’s details to be included, please let the school know on 3381 4333.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from:
- Australian Government Department of Education website: http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collectiondata-school-students-

Started Sport Program
The latest round of the Department of National Parks, Sport and Recreation’s Get Started Voucher program is now open. Parents or carers who hold a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card can apply straight away for a voucher of up to $150 to help pay a child’s sport or recreation club membership and/or participation fees. Applications for children who don't meet that criteria need nominations from two referral agents to be considered. Principals and guidance officers are the only school staff who can act as referral agents. Teachers have been removed from the list. Vouchers are issued on a first come, first served basis and applications will close when all the funds are allocated or on 30 September 2015.

School Opinion Survey
Reminder to parents/caregivers, that your opportunity to complete the School Opinion Survey will close on 31 July 2015. Parents/caregivers are welcome to complete their survey online at the school. Please come to the front office and we will set you up with a computer.

Meridee Cuthill
Deputy Principal’s Message

Yarn Club
Yarn Club now takes place on Thursdays at first break and is proving extremely popular! Over the last few weeks, children in Yrs 2 – 6 have enjoyed making pom poms, weaving and crocheting. Vicki Allen would be very glad of extra help to support the large group of keen yarn club members. If any parents, grandparents or carers are able to lend a hand for half an hour on Thursdays (11.15- 11.50) then please contact me in the office. Thank-you to Ms Vicki Allen for leading this fabulous activity!

ICAS
Each year, the University of New South Wales conducts Australia-wide and international testing. Our school offers students the opportunity to take part in three of these competitions – English, Mathematics and Science.
The aims of the competition are to:-

- Provide an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation.
- Recognise and reward achievement at all levels.
- Provide students, parents and teachers with a comprehensive analysis of student performance.

In April, 20 students took part in ICAS Science, and their results and certificates arrived in school this week. Particular congratulations are due to Andre Pires (Year 4), Meloney Swart (Year 4) and Blake Stokell (Year 6) who are all awarded “Credit” and to Micaela Anstey (Year 5 and Chiazala Adighibe (Year 6) who are awarded “Merit”.

The certificates will be presented at Assembly on Wednesday, next week – 5th August.

Jill Rutland
### Attendance

**Our School's Target - 95%**

Our goal this year is to improve our attendance from below 90% to 95%. In Semester One, 65 students achieved 100% attendance and 297 students met our target of 95% or higher. These students’ names were placed in a raffle to win “A Family Pass to Jump”. This raffle was drawn by Mrs Cuthill on Assembly in Week One. Congratulations to all these students! Well done!

### A Special Invitation

To celebrate meeting our school’s attendance target in Term 3, Mrs Cuthill will be hosting Collingwood Park State School’s very first Principal’s Lunch. If your child achieves 95% or higher in attendance this term, they will receive a very special invitation to attend the Principal’s Lunch on Friday, September 18th.

### Everyday counts!

Did you know that if your child misses **1 day a week** that equates to 40 days (on average) missed in a year? That’s nearly a **WHOLE TERM**! Attending school **95%** of the time, **equates to missing only 2 days per term**.

**Everyday counts**...because children achieve better when they attend school all day, every day.

**Everyday counts**...because going to school means getting a better chance at life.

**Everyday counts**...because school helps children build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience.

**Everyday counts**...because going to school is a legal requirement.

**Remember**... For your child to achieve 95% attendance, they cannot miss any more than **2 days** this term.

### P & C Fundraising Update

**Chocolate Drive**
The chocolate drive will be running in Term 3 2015. Chocolates will be sent home with the eldest child in the family on the **5th August** and money is due back by the **21st August**. A note has been sent home with the eldest in the family with a cut off slip allowing your family to opt out from receiving chocolates. If you **DO NOT** want your child to sell chocolates for any reason please return the cut off slip to the office prior to the **24th July** or email [cpss.fundraising@outlook.com](mailto:cpss.fundraising@outlook.com).

**Wanted**
We are in need of empty 2L coke bottles if you have any you would be willing to donate please leave them at the uniform shop.
**OSHC News**

Over the holiday break OSHC did some really exciting things in the Vacation Care program.

Some of our girls helped Miss Heather make some pyjamas and we will be making one pair a week until the end of term and donating them to the Riverview Community Centre.

We also had a Mad Hatters Tea Party in the hall. The children also chose their own gold fish to take home and yes the answer to the question on everyone’s lips - the fish were REAL!!

We also put some arts and craft items in the Brookfield and Ipswich Shows and some of the entries placed first, second and third.

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**Reading Eggs**

ABC Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress are fun, interactive, online reading games and activities that are designed to support the teaching of reading. They can be accessed both at school and at home using a variety of devices (ipad, iphone, PC etc).

Throughout Term 2 we were lucky enough to participate in a whole school trial of the Reading Eggs program. Unfortunately this trial has come to an end for most classes. We have selected a few classes across a range of year levels to continue with Reading Eggs till the end of the year. These teachers have volunteered their time to attend professional development and provide feedback as to the success of the program.

So far both teachers and students have been excited about the program and as a school we will be looking into purchasing the program in 2016 by attaching a small fee to the class levy. This is a process commonly adopted by most schools and minimises cost to families.

If you would like to explore ABC Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress please take a look at the website: [http://readingeggs.com.au/](http://readingeggs.com.au/)
**Online Ordering**

If you are ordering tuckshop online please make sure your student/s class are correct.

If you can assist at tuckshop, please give us a call as we would really appreciate your help.

Should you have a problem or cannot make your rostered day, please give the tuckshop a call with as much notice as possible.

Dianne: (07) 3818 0687  
Mobile: 0403 945 014  
Tuckshop: (07) 3381 4335

**PLEASE NOTE:** Prep students can now order tuckshop but they **CAN NOT** purchase ice-blocks.

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

**It’s back! Woolworths Earn & Learn starts on Wednesday 15th July.**

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program will earn our School valuable learning resources.

**It’s simple to participate.**

Starting on Wednesday 15th July, when anyone from our school community - staff, parents, friends shop at Woolworths, they can collect stickers to place on sticker sheets (available from your Woolworths store or the school office). You will get one sticker for every $10 you spend*. Once the sticker sheet is complete, place them in the collection box located in the school office. If you don’t have a sticker sheet you can always drop your stickers directly to Desiree in the office.

**Want to know more?**

If you’d like to know more about Woolworths Earn & Learn, you will find all of the details at Woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.
Start collecting for your school now

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program gives Schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn new educational resources.

Make a difference for your local school
- Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 you spend.*
- Stick the Woolworths Stickers onto the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet inside.
- Once it’s complete, pop it into a Collection Box at your school or local store. You can download more Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets from our website woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

*While stocks last; learn more online.

Last year more than 14,500 schools and Early Learning Centres benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries, music rooms, gyms and science labs.

It’s easy to earn valuable resources to help your local school, so start collecting your Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers today.

Go to woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn for more information, terms and conditions and answers to frequently asked questions.

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BINGO

EASTERN TAIPANS CRICKET CLUB PRESENTS

EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT -
(STAYING 6TH AUGUST 2015)

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM
FOR A 7:30PM START

$2,000 JACKPOT

$1,000 JACKPOT

RIVerview COMMUNITY CENTRE
138 OLD IPSWICH ROAD
RIVerview

Bruce Raleigh 0418 714 2307
CLASS TEACHER BY JUNE 24TH
SUBMIT YOUR IDEAS TO YOUR
FACE
GIVE OUR CROW

You are invited to an art show
celebrating artwork
created by Prep to Year 6 students at Collingwood Park State School.

Thank you for your support.
Gold coin donation at the door.

Collingwood Park State School
THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST 2015
3:00 – 7:00 pm
HALL
Week 5 Term 3
With the end of the school year fast approaching, Redbank Plains State High School is requesting parents and guardians of Year 6 students to begin organising their enrolments for 2016. The school has recently devoted significant amounts of funding and restructuring to their junior school, as to ensure students are able to make a positive transition into high school.

Enrolment packs can be picked up from either your primary school office or at Redbank Plains State High School’s office. Both you and your child must book and attend an enrolment session before your child commences school next year.

To further encourage student enrolment at Redbank Plains SHS, the school offers a series of scholarships for students, including scholarships in the sporting, academic and performing arts fields. Be aware however, scholarship applications close at the end of term 3. To book your enrolment session, or for more information about the enrolment process for your child or our scholarship offerings, please visit www.redbplaishs.eq.edu.au or call the school on 3432 1222.