Principal’s Message:

REMEMBRANCE DAY
Our school Remembrance Day ceremony was held at the front of the administration building on Wednesday 11 November. Remembrance Day, which was originally called Armistice Day, commemorated the end of the hostilities for the Great War (World War I), the signing of the armistice, which occurred on November 11, 1918 – the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. Thank you to our special guest, Captain Clive Redgate, for sharing this ceremony with us. Lest we forget. As part of their commemorations, 2B created a wall of remembrance complete with poppies and photographs.

New start date for the 2016 Queensland school year
A new start date for the 2016 Queensland school year will see students return to the classroom on Wednesday 27 January 2016 — the day after the national Australia Day public holiday. The previous Term 1 start date of Monday 25 January 2016 will now become an additional flexible staff professional development day.

Year 5 Maroon Camp – Success
By all accounts, the Year 5 camp at Maroon Dam was a huge, albeit slightly damp, success. Every student I have spoken with has told me what a great time they had. The teachers seem to have recovered. Apparently, there were quite a few storms with lots of rain, which wasn’t so great when camping in a tent! A huge thank you to the teachers for their magnificent contribution to the success of the camp. Teachers are not paid overtime for their 24 hours per day on-call supervision of students on camps.

Year 6 Canberra Trip
It’s all systems go for the Year 6 trip to Canberra. Students will leave on Sunday 15 November and return the following Saturday. The students will be accompanied by Mr Powell, Mrs Falconer, Ms Butterworth and Mrs Rutland. The students have a very full itinerary during their time in Canberra, including a visit to the War Memorial and Parliament House.
Farewell Year 6 Ceremony
We will hold our Year 6 Farewell on Monday 7 December 2015, commencing at 1:30pm in our hall. We will hold a disco for our Year 6 students that evening from 6:00-8:00pm. Invitations should be arriving home this week.

School Captain Candidate Speeches and Voting
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Good luck to all candidates.

Meet our Sporting Crow Icon

C.A.R.E. Expectation – Respect
As part of our explicit teaching of the school expectations – Co-operate, Attend, Respect, Excel- we have been focusing on Respect. I would like to share a quote from a great book by Amanda Ripley, *The Smartest Kids in the World: And How They Got That Way.*

“We’re socialized to believe that warmth and strictness are opposites,” Doug Lemov writes in his book, *Teach Like a Champion.* “The fact is, the degree to which you are warm has no bearing on the degree to which you are strict, and vice versa.” Parents and teachers who manage to be both warm and strict seem to strike a resonance with children, gaining their trust along with their respect.”

“We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we work, travel and live. We pay our respects to the Elders, their Ancestors and Future Generations”.

Meridee Cuthill
Principal
Deputy Principal’s Message

The Year 5 students are now safely returned from their adventures at camp with many stories to tell. The teachers had stories to share in the staffroom too, and as I listened, I was reminded of other stories that I had heard or been part of from past school camps or family events. Story-telling has always been important to human beings. Family and cultural history was passed down through generations through story-telling long before paper, pen or cameras were invented. Story-telling, along with music, was also an important form of entertainment on dark winter nights before the advent of radio and television. We are fortunate today to have so many readily available entertainment choices. Much of this arises from the development of digital technology. However, today’s parents still recognise the value of reading to their children. It is certainly true that children who are exposed to books from an early age have an advantage when they start school. They are familiar with the concept of print and already have a feel for rhyme. They probably know some of their favourite story books off by heart. Reading stories is important. However, telling stories is important too, though in today’s busy world, the art of story-telling sometimes seems lost. There are many reasons why telling stories to your children is a good idea. I recently came across the following advice in a leaflet given to the parents of the Koala Joey program. The leaflet was being shared with parents of pre-prep students, but is just as applicable to older students and their families. In his on-line article, Mark Brandenburg lists ten reasons we should tell stories to our children:
http://www.in steadoftv.com/storytelling-ten-reasons-to-tell-your-kids-stories.html

Ten Reasons to Tell your Kids Stories

1. **Use them to teach lessons about life.**
Stories will stimulate conversations with your kids more effectively than lecturing or "trying to get them to talk. There are a lot of issues happening for your kids these days, and stories give them a chance to reflect on them.

2. **Stories connect your kids with previous generations.**
In a society that seems to have families spread out all over, it’s vitally important to have ways to have your kids feel connected to their extended families.

3. **Stories stimulate your kids’ imagination.**
One of the best ways to prepare your kids for the world is to engage them in vivid stories that stir their imagination. Kids who are exposed to these kinds of stories will be the creative problem-solvers of the future.

4. **Kids who are exposed to stories will continue the tradition with their own families.**
Knowing that your family traditions and stories will be carried on by future generations is very comforting.

5. **Stories can encourage your kids when they’re discouraged**
Childhood can get pretty discouraging sometimes. Kids are encouraged by knowing that Mum or Dad have gone through the same kinds of things and have survived.

6. **Telling your stories has you remembering your own childhood.**
Telling your kids about your childhood is a great way for you to remember and reflect on what was important about your younger years.

7. **Telling stories helps to create depth and soul in your kids.**
In a TV and media-crazy culture, telling stories can capture your kids’ attention and convey real meaning. It’s a way to show your kids what’s really important in your life.

8. **Telling stories to your kids tells them they’re worth the time.**
Is there anything more important than conveying to your kids that you want to spend time with them? They’ll remember it forever.

9. **Telling stories is a great chance to convey your values.**
Your kids will be getting quite a few messages from their friends and from popular culture. Stories are a great opportunity to sneak in a few of your cherished values for your kids to hear.

10. **Well-crafted stories create a wonderful mind-set for your kids before they fall asleep.**
Kids will fall asleep faster and with healthier images when you tell them your stories.

Jill Rutland
Deputy Principal
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Glenys Harrington
Leadership Co-ordinator
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 and can purchase ice-blocks.

Tuckshop News.

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Last week of the term online Tuckshop orders are closed.

Last day, Friday 11th December Tuckshop is closed. Only open first break for Ice Blocks and Drinks.

Tuckshop arrangements on swimming days.

Students in Years 3 & 4 who are attending swimming may only order tuckshop for 2nd lunch on swimming days.

Students in Year 2 who are attending swimming may only order tuckshop for 1st lunch on swimming days.

Yearbook Update

Throughout the year our Media Club have been working very hard to produce the annual Yearbook. Last week the Yearbook was finalised and sent to the printers. Our editors were super excited about how the Yearbook looked and are looking forward to its arrival and distribution in Week 9 or 10.

We thank all of our sponsors and everyone involved in this process for their assistance. Without such a great team a production like this would not be possible.
BOOKLISTS 2016

Once again it is time for us to start getting prepared for Back To School in 2016.

With this in mind I would like to offer some suggestions that may benefit your family, the school and us at Redbank News.

The main thing is early orders, this has many advantages. I receive one opportunity before Christmas to make an order with my wholesaler. This order receives a rebate that is based on value and issued via us to the school. This has been done for the last two years, however it could be tripled if all orders came via the school. We do not penalize the parents as we still only ask for $20 deposit and final payment can be when you elect to collect your child’s box. Upon final payment of all orders placed at school will receive an additional deduction of 5%. We do understand the cost of Christmas and child care over the holiday period. The next advantage is the first order from the warehouse is almost guaranteed that it will have all the required items. My second and subsequent orders although still at the same price are in most cases up to 40% short on required items and do not receive the school rebate.

If the early ordering still does not suit your needs we are still most happy to accept your order at our shop at 59 Brisbane Rd Redbank. We still ask for the deposit of $20 and collection times will be agreed.

Finally all boxes are packed off site and filling orders at shop is impossible. Please note no order is too small.

THANKYOU FROM REDBANK NEWS

HAVE A GREAT END TO THE YEAR

GREAT HOLIDAYS & XMAS

AND

A GREAT BACK TO SCHOOL 2016
**Carols by Torchlight**  
Tuesday 8th Dec 2015 4pm to 8pm

It’s almost that time of year again…..time for a wonderful evening of entertainment, rides, food and family fun!

This year at the Carols we have the twilight markets for you to browse... the kids can come and say hello to Santa in his cave... buy an armband and enjoy a night filled with **unlimited rides**... and when you need a rest – grab something yummy to eat and sit back to enjoy a great night of entertainment, Christmas carols and **FIREWORKS!**

- The **Christmas Hamper Raffle** is running again this year; letters will be going home this week seeking donations.

* **Armbands** are on sale now for just **$25** and are available from Marg in the office. Armbands on the night will be $32, or rides can be purchased individually – prices range from $5 - $6.

**3 WEEKS UNTIL THE CAROLS!**

Thank you to everyone for supporting our great school!

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**REDBANK PLAINS STATE HIGH SCHOOL**

Sports Development Program Trials

Trial Day 2 at RPSHS - **12 November 2015**  
3:00pm - 5:30pm (weather permitting)

Entering high school next year and interested in developing your rugby league, volleyball or soccer skills? We want you! **Be part of our sports development program and trial for your place at Redbank Plains SHS.**

Register your interest today!  
Email: sportdevelopment@redbplaishs.eq.edu.au  
Phone: 3432 1222
Collingwood Park State School
P&C Association
Outside School Hours Care

Hours of Operation

Before School Care 6:00am – 8:30am
After School Care 3:00pm – 6:00pm
Vacation Care 6:00am – 6:00pm

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Collingwood Park State School

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STUDENT ABSENCES
PH: 33814333

Enrolment Days

BUNDAMBA STATE SECONDARY COLLEGE

TRANSITION DAY

Tuesday 1 December 2015
845am – 2:50pm
15a Naomai Street, Bundamba

Students must:

- Be enrolled
- Wear primary school uniform
- Bring a hat, water bottle & snack
- Sausage Sizzle & Zooper Dooper provided

Be dropped/collected at the School Hall (Top of Naomai St)

Enrolment interviews available by booking an appointment on 38166333

Enrolment Packs (must be completed for interview, available at the front office):

Contact: Mrs Ona - 38166333

We’re on the Web........

www.collparkss.eq.edu.au