Principal’s Message:

Co-operate  Attend  Respect  Excel

Influenza A and Influenza B

We have had a number of students and staff away sick over the last few weeks, many with Influenza A or B. This time of the year is notorious for influenza, as is evidenced by the recent Queensland Health Influenza Surveillance Data which indicates that the last two weeks (across the state) has had over one third of the year to date notifications. I contacted the Queensland Public Health Unit last week to find out if there was any further information I could provide for our school community. The advice I received was to encourage parents to keep sick children at home and to ensure extra vigilance with handwashing and coughing and sneezing etiquette.

The flu virus can travel through the air when a person coughs or sneezes. It can then survive on surfaces for several hours remaining a source of infection for others. There are, however, simple things everyone can do to stop the flu spreading. Measures to prevent the spread of the flu virus include:

• covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough;
• washing your hands regularly and properly;
• cleaning household, school and workplace surface areas;
• not sharing personal items such as eating and drinking utensils and food; and avoiding close contact with other people and staying home when sick.

Annual vaccination, good personal hygiene, and protecting others through staying at home when ill are important prevention measures for influenza.

Pick-up Procedures after school

A staff member is on duty each afternoon at the front of the school, supervising students waiting to be collected by parents/carers. Staff are there until at least 3:20pm, after which students are walked up to the office area. Despite having a designated bus zone, we are still seeing considerable congestion on Burrel Street in the afternoon. As a way of relieving some of that congestion, I would ask parents to delay the pick-up time until 3:10, when most of the traffic has dispersed. I also witness very unsafe behaviour by parents on a regular basis, e.g. calling their student across the road, instead of walking around to pick them up. Children dashing between cars and across the road is extremely dangerous.
Principal’s Message Cont....

**World of Maths**
During Literacy and Numeracy Week, we will be hosting World of Maths at our school. World of Maths is a unique traveling maths show that provides fun, colourful, hands-on, mathematical, problem solving activities for student participation in school visits since 1990. The activities or “displays” have been invented/designated and manufactured by World of Maths and therefore would not be found anywhere else in the world. The program has been designed to cater for all abilities with 34 activities covering ages from 5 to 14 year old. The program will run over 3 days. There will be no cost to parents, as the school will fund this wonderful activity.

**Volunteers**
We love our volunteers! We would like to thank our many volunteers who contribute to our school community in so many different ways – helping out in classrooms, changing readers, listening to our children read, helping out at Breakfast Club, assisting at our fundraising events and discos. Without their support, our children’s school lives would not be as enriched. Thank you.

**Art Show Success**
Thank you to students, teachers, teacher aides, families and P&C who contributed to the Art Show’s success! The student artwork was sensational and the children were so proud to show their art to their families and friends.

The Faleo Family won 1st prize (2 adults and 2 children to Mary Poppins The Musical), the Horner Family won 2nd prize ($60 gift voucher kindly donated by Bellmelia Beauty at Collingwood Park) and the Macy family won 3rd prize (art pack) in the Art Show raffle.

The following people were the highest bidders in the silent auctions:
- Fish Painting
  - Vicki Allen - $100
- Polka Dotty Table
  - Vicki Allen - $100
- Digital Art Collage (5D Artwork)
  - Fiona Johnson - $50
- Digital Art Collage (5D Artwork)
  - Brydie McLean - $60
- Peacock Dare to be Different (1B Artwork)
  - Karen Roberston - $51

We’d like to extend a special thank you to the following people:
- Mr Scott Bignell and all the instrumentalists who played throughout the evening - what an outstanding effort
- Mrs Olga Fisher for donating her artwork and creating the amazing shark
- Mrs Maria Santiago for organising the outdoor setting for the Polka Dotty Table
- Lyle for moving all the furniture and cutting out the shark’s mouth
- Mrs Melanie Boundy and Mrs Renee Nash for helping children create fingerprint tree cards throughout the evening
- Mrs Melanie Boundy and 4A for creating ‘The Scream’
- Mrs Jill Rutland and Mrs Stacey Powell for selling raffle tickets throughout the evening
- Mrs Sally-Anne Everton and Mrs Michelle Steele for greeting people at the door
- Mrs Melanie Boundy, Miss Anna Polomski and Mrs Stacey Powell for displaying all the artwork in the Hall

Photographs from the Art Show can be seen on the next page.
If you have any feedback or ideas for next year’s Art Show please email apolo4@eq.edu.au.

“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
The Science Factory visited Collingwood Park on Monday and Tuesday to kick off our Science Week. Every class spent between 60 and 90 minutes learning about Science through demonstrations and 44 hands-on activities. Each activity came with instructions and posed a question for students to answer through hands-on exploration and experimentation. Working in pairs, the students could choose which activities to visit and with so much to choose from there were no queues, although the Robots did prove particularly popular! The students punched cards to record which activities they had completed.

Peter May, who ran The Science Factory incursion commented on the great behaviour of the students. The teachers commented on how engaged the students were and all the students I spoke to told me what a fantastic time they had and how much they loved Science! – Always great to hear!

Science Week continues with a CPSS Science challenge. The students will work in groups to apply their understanding of structures and materials. Their challenge is to construct the tallest possible self-supporting tower using only 6 sheets of newspaper and 20cm of sticky tape. The towers will be measured and displayed in the hall at Friday’s assembly (along with photographic evidence in case any towers get bent on the way from classrooms). I look forward to sharing the results with you next week.

In the meantime, the Year 5 and 6 STEM projects are progressing well. I don’t want to give away too much too soon, but the investigations chosen by CPSS students are very exciting! The STEM teams are counting down to week 10 when they will present their work at the Queensland Academy of Science, Maths and Technology in Toowong.

Remember that National Science Week isn’t just for schools. There are many free, family Science events in our region along with others suited more to adults. National Science Week finished on Sunday 23rd August so click on the link below to see what’s on this weekend.


Jill Rutland
Jump Rope For Heart

The Jump Rope for Heart initiative is now well under way with lots of keen skippers at Collingwood Park State School! The Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart is an exciting and non-competitive program which encourages children to become more active through skipping, learning new skills and raising vital funds for heart research and community health programs.

If you haven’t already done so, you might like to “jump” on to the Heart Foundation website to register your child and raise sponsorship money. Simply go online to www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumprope, click on the green ‘Kids Join Now’ button, and follow the prompts.

- A secure fundraising page will be created as soon as you register; all you need to do then is click the ‘Email Sponsors’ link to send your family and friends an email asking them for their support.
- This is an easy, safe way for your child to monitor their progress, receive bonus prizes and even receive sponsorship from family and friends who are further afield.

At the end of the program we will be holding a Jump Off, an event to celebrate and the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program. This will be held in Week 9 of Term 3 (7th – 11th September).

Let your teacher know when your child(ren) has finished fundraising online by writing this in your child’s Student Diary. You may also like to print out a copy of the donations received online.

Thank you to Maria Santiago for organising our involvement in this great initiative, and for running the Friday Skipping Club – open to all students from 11.15 – 11.50am on the Netball Courts.

From the Numeracy Committee

It is incredibly important in our fast paced world these days that as educators, parents and caregivers we ensure that our children understand the real world value and importance of mathematics and how it is around us all the time in everything we do. Over the next few weeks in the newsletter we will be including some tips for parents created by the Department of Education and Training for how we can support our children with mathematical concepts in our everyday lives. Please take the time to have a perusal and enjoy!!
P & C Fundraising Update

UPCOMING EVENTS:
21st August – All money and unsold Chocolates due back.
28th August – Junior Disco (Book Week Theme)
11th September – Senior Disco & Karaoke

FUNDRAISING GOAL
This year the P&C is trying to raise $10,000 to assist the school in increasing the technology used by the children in the classrooms. This will involve the purchasing of iPad’s for the Prep to Year 3 classes and laptops for years 4 to 6. So far we have raised over $4000 through the generous support of our staff, families and volunteers.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE
The chocolate drive is now underway. Chocolates have been sent home with the eldest if you have not received chocolates please collect them from the uniform shop. All money and unsold chocolates are due back by the 21st August. There will be a prize draw each week for students who have returned chocolates in that week as well as a prize for the students who sell the most.

DISCO
There will be a junior and a senior disco again in term 3. The junior disco (Prep-3) will be on the 28th August and will be a book week theme, with students given the option to come dressed as their favourite book character. The senior disco (4-6) will be on the 11th September and will also include karaoke during the later part of the night.

WANTED
We are seeking empty 2L coke bottles if you have any could you please drop them at the uniform shop.

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/
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.

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.
JUNIOR DISCO

Pre Paid Tickets Encouraged

Friday 28th August 2015
6.00pm - 8.00pm

Pre-paid tickets available from the Uniform Shop on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th August from 8am.

Entry & Meal Deal $8.00
Single Entry $3.00

Meal deal tickets must be pre-paid! Only entry tickets will be sold on the night. Food will be available from the canteen separately.

Collingwood Park Students Only

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SENIOR DISCO & KARAOKE

{Year 4 – Year 6 Only}

Friday 11th September 2015
6.00pm - 8.00pm

Pre Paid Tickets Encouraged

Pre-paid tickets available from the Uniform Shop on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th September from 8am.

Entry & Meal Deal $8.00
Single Entry $3.00

Meal deal tickets must be pre-paid! Only entry tickets will be sold on the night. Food will be available from the canteen separately.

Collingwood Park Students Only
FATHER’S DAY STALL

In modular 2 on Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th of September. Come with your class and buy something special your Dad will love!!!

Items range from $1 to $7

***Please note there will be a 2 item limit per child during their class scheduled visit excluding gift bags, gift cards and lollies. This limit is to ensure all children in all classes are given the opportunity to purchase something for Dad. Any children with left over money are welcome to shop on Friday during playtime once all classes have been***

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PREP 2016

Burrel Street;
Collingwood Park.
Telephone: 07 3381 4333

Enrol Now!
Parents and Citizens Association News

Next P & C Meeting:
8th September 2015
7.00pm – Seminar Room (Library)
All Welcome

Have you ever wondered “how can I find out what goes on at my child’s school”? Then please, Come Along to a P & C Meeting - Share and Create Ideas
“Make it Happen”.... Get Involved
Telephone 3381 4333 for more information.

Junior Disco (Prep to Grade 3) – Friday 28th August. Come dressed up as your favourite book character.

Senior Disco (Grades 4 to 6) – Friday 11th September.

$3 – entry only
$8 – entry and meal deal

Both disco’s 6 to 8pm. CPSS students only.

Father’s Day Stall – Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September.

ORDER TUCKSHOP ONLINE - available by clicking on the “order online” link at the facilities section of the school website www.collparkss.eq.edu.au.

- Online orders close at 8.50am.
- Tuckshop is CASH only – no EFTPOS available.
- No phone orders.

A huge thank you to our wonderful Tuckshop volunteers, your help is always appreciated. 😊

UNIFORM SHOP

Please note the changes to the Uniform Shop opening times;

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Chocolate Drive - please bring your money or unsold chocolates back as soon as possible. We have families waiting for more chocolates to sell.

Breakfast Club 2015
Breakfast Club runs on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8am to 8.30am in the Hall. It is important that children have a good breakfast to get their learning day underway.
Breakfast Club is funded entirely by donations (monetary or non-perishable groceries) and volunteer workers. This allows breakfast to be provided free of charge. Can you help?
Donations are kindly accepted at the Tuck Shop or Uniform Shop.

A-Mart Sports Community Kickbacks Program
Our school has joined this program so next time you shop at any of the AMART SPORTS be sure to join yourself and receive preferred pricing, exclusive offers, VIP shopping nights and member only competitions. Let them know you are from our school and our school will receive 5% back on member purchases.

Contact Us
OSHC 3381 4317  OSHC Fax 3381 4355
Uniform Shop 3381 4336  School Fax 3381 4300
Tuckshop 3381 4335  School Office 3381 4333
PARENTS

1. Online System | Pay School Invoices
   - Pay School Invoices
     (SRS; Text Book Fees; Camps; etc.)
   - Access via ANY Computer or Smart Phone

2. Payments Accepted:
   MasterCard | VISA

3. Secure Payment Method
   Easy to Use Interface

ALL 4 fields MUST be filled in!
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.