

Message from the Principal * Robyn Corbett * 7 March 2017

As we approach our Annual General Meeting of the P & C, it is always a good time to look at the achievements of the school over the last year. It is hard to believe that we can cram so many activities into the year and come out the other end with a real sense of satisfaction of what has been achieved. Many activities have had the support of a very active P & C and school staff for which we are very thankful. We encourage all parents to take the opportunity of being part of the decision making process of the school by attending P & C meetings. This Friday marks the end of the current P & C executive, with a new committee being voted in to take the reins for this year.

The P & C AGM is this Friday 10 March in the Library commencing at 3pm.

We thank the efforts of all P & C members who have contributed over and above what is expected during the last year. A special thanks to Debbie Anderson (President), Jocelyn Finden (Vice President), Verna Austin (Treasurer), Vicki Winkelmuller (Secretary), Susan O'Shea (Uniforms) and Tammy St George, Kari Moller and Narelle Henderson (Tuckshop). Our Garden Club Leader, Marine Haldane, is also congratulated for forming and co-ordinating this active group throughout the year.

Aloomba State School 2016 Highlights			
2016 Learning / School Highlights		2016 Workforce Highlights	2016 P & C Highlights
Holloway's Beach Leadership Camp Year 5/6 Camp Tinaroo Calanna Junior Speaking Contest – 2 finalists UNSW Competitions – Maths, English & Science Sports coaching clinics e.g. AFL Soccer Obsthathon Cross Country Queensland Day Celebration ANZAC Day Ceremonies – Aloomba & Gordonvale LOTE Lunch Organisation of Anzac Day Ceremony, Christmas function and student activity days Robotic Challenge Program Bravehearts Program Gala Sports Carnival Orientation for new incoming Preps and outgoing Year 6 students Swimming Carnival Mulgrave Trials Aloomba Sports Days – Track & Field & Ball Games School Photos Student Fund Raising Days for charities Student Disco Ten Pin Bowling	Student Choir Bread Orders Brainiacs Competition – 4th Learn to Swim Program (P -2) 6 wks 3 School Performance Tours 3/5 Naplan Test Results were at or above State and National standard Aluminium Can Recycling Instrumental Music Dance Fever (10 Lessons) Gyrocar Licensing Roll n Strike Bowling 'Rosies' Empty Christmas Tree Aloomba's Got Talent Tennis Court Upgrade Lunch Time Student Activities- Colouring In, Wet Weather Movies, Spelling Bee RSPCA Visit Junior Trivia 'Save the Farmer' –Student Leaders Readers Cup Challenge – 2nd Wet Tropics 'Keep it Wild' Competition – 2 finalists Care for Cassowaries – Student Leaders School Speaking Sporting Schools Tennis Program Instrumental Music Camps Pine Car Derby Writing Extension Program	Code of Conduct Training Consolidation Training ICT Explicit Teaching PD Peer Teaching Mentoring Sessions Technology/ Ipad Teacher PD Pre-service Teacher Mentoring One School Training Child Protection Training Health Smart – Staff Yoga First Aid Certificate Course Cleaners PD Workshop Principal's Conference/ Meetings Principles of Good Writing PD STEM PD It's all connected expo PD Multi Literacies in Early Reading & creating multimodal texts PD LOTE PD Cluster Meetings – Sport Asbestos Management Training Music PD – Brenda Dingwall Sport PD – Irene Rooke Highest Student Attendance Teacher Aides' PD <u>Awards</u> Wet Tropics 'Keep it Wild' Competition – 2 student finalists	World Teacher's Day lunch for all staff <u>Fund Raising and Community Events</u> Father's Day Stall Student Disco Christmas Concert Tuckshop Toy Catalogues Trivia Night – 1920's theme Uniform Shop Election Day Cake Stall & Sausage Sizzle Working Bees Meet & Greet Afternoon Sight Word/ Reading Volunteers Qld Day Parent Activities Garden Club <u>P & C Purchases</u> Bus hire for school camp Bravehearts (P -5 students) Bus hire for swimming carnival Holloway's Beach Leadership Camp – students Dance Fever 10 Week Program Graduating Student Pens Grounds Care Robotics Lego Resources Reading Scheme

Student Progress Report

This week we will be sending home a Student Progress Report. We like to send you this 'mid term' report after Week 5 in Term 1, because the Semester One report is not sent out until June and if there are any issues to address with your child, we like to let you know early in the year. After reading through your child's report, if you would like an interview, please make an appointment with the teacher on their designated day between 9am-2.45pm.

P-1 Kristina Cannon Mon 20 Mar **1-2** Robyn Corbett Tue 21 Mar
3-4 Cathy Wienert Mon 13 Mar **5-6** Irene Rooke Mon 27 Mar

Beyond the patch

It was wonderful to see our garden club kids standing up at assembly talking about all the different seeds they had planted.



Last week the kids garden club toured the school grounds looking for little jobs they could do together to keep our gardens healthy and beautiful.

The garden group parents have been busy too. Karrah, Kari, Nat and Emily gave the shade sail garden (next to the library) a total make over. Thank you all for your efforts!

Tuckshop Flexischool Orders

Our Tuckshop volunteers are very pleased that the number of on line orders are increasing. Once the orders are placed, the Flexischool program generates lists and labels that really helps save time with the operation of the Tuckshop. Hopefully by Term 2 all orders will be placed this way. Don't forget there is a computer outside the office if you do not have access to the internet at home for Flexischool Tuckshop orders.

Obstathon March 16 at 11.00am

Our Year 5 and 6 class have been designed a course for all of our students. Students have looked closely at safety aspects of the course and have produced a map of the stations.



MONEY DUE TOMORROW

Under the supervision of teachers, each child in the class will have a station on the course that they will be responsible for. After all the younger students have gone through, they will have the opportunity of using the obstacle course they have designed. At the end of the day students in Mrs Rooke's and Mrs Wienert's class clean up the course by packing all the equipment away.

There is a lot of thought and effort put into making this day very enjoyable and challenging for all students. The money raised will go towards projects and resources determined by the students so all students benefit. In the past they have funded Dance Fever lessons, excursions and sporting equipment purchases. Children cannot participate unless they have returned their donation form with money.

Don't forget to seek sponsorship through donations and return your forms together with the money by tomorrow Wednesday 8 March.

Students need to bring old sun safe clothes including a hat that can get wet and muddy as well as a small towel and plastic bag. They will get changed at morning tea, so please ensure all clothing is marked with their name.

Families of students are most welcome to attend. Unfortunately younger siblings will not be able to use the obstacle course and will only be able to spectate under close supervision.

School Performance Tour "It's a mad World"

Is on this Friday. We look forward to seeing this presentation by experienced performers. **PLEASE NOTE: There will be no parade on Friday at 9.00am.**

Bookclub Orders are due on Friday 17 March.

Student Leader's Action Plans

Following the school leadership camp our student leaders have chosen to get our students involved in two action plans:

- Environmental Plan : Ulysses Butterfly
- Community Plan: Fundraising for Children's Cancer Research



Catholic RI Class thank Mrs Thorne

The Catholic RI Class with the help of Mrs Parisi presented a beautiful book of heartfelt messages of thanks to Mrs Thorne at a special morning tea recently. Hazel has volunteered her time for over 30 years which is an outstanding contribution to the school community and we thank her for her effort. We welcome Garry O'Brien who will be teaching Catholic RI at Aloomba this year.



School Holidays

Our Easter Holiday period commences on Saturday 1 April and continues until Easter Monday (17 April). All students need to be back at school on Tuesday 18 April to commence learning in Term Two.

School Early Departures and Late Arrivals

Please report to the office if your child is being dropped off at school late or needs to depart the school early for any reason. It is our duty to keep a record of the names of the person who is accompanying the student and the time they are arriving or departing the school.

Can You help? 8 Cross Country helpers are still required. Please see Irene Rooke.

Tuckshop Roster

	Tuckshop	Home Bake
10 March	Karrah Krauss Chandell van Rees	Kristen Thomas Emily Rossi

Term 1 Key Dates

Mar 10	Friday	School Performance Tour
Mar 10	Friday	P & C Annual Meeting
Mar 16	Thu	Obstathon
Mar 30	Thu	School Cross Country