FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The end of the year is almost here and there are many exciting events happening between now and the end of the year. Please check the school sign and website for details.

Byron Van Der Zee will be returning to Ipswich East State School in 2017 as the Deputy Principal. I would like to thank Damien Lee for his dedication and hard work for the past 9 months and wish him the very best for his future endeavours. I know he will be missed.

I am concerned by the number of parents and students walking through our car park. Just last week I spoke to a colleague who had a student hit on the school grounds by a car following similar behaviours. I ask parents to set the right example and stick to the walkways. Our children’s safety is important.

Many parents are also sitting in out of bounds areas in the mornings before school. Children who are with their parents are still required to be in the Undercover area in the mornings until 8:50am.

With the swimming program in full swing I am seeing an increase of students wearing board shorts instead of their school uniforms. Uniforms must still be worn while at school. I ask for your assistance with this matter.

Naomi Meerwald (Principal)

CURRICULUM NEWS

Reporting to Parents

Report cards are scheduled to be distributed to families on Wednesday 7th December. The purpose of the report card is to provide information to parents about the learning and achievement of their children. Reporting also gives students a sense of how they are going and areas for further development.

Comments for each Learning Area are be reported on using a five-point scale, ensuring student achievement and effort is clearly communicated to parents and students. For example:

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*some Prep areas are still awarded along the achievement scale of: becoming aware / exploring / making connections / applying

The general comment will be individualised to provide feedback to parents on their child’s learning and specific information and areas in which to improve. General comments may also reflect learning goals and work habits and give parents and students guidance on where and how to make improvements in specific academic or social areas.

As we strengthen our assessment and reporting practices, we can continue to better target our teaching of the intended curriculum to the needs of our students, and support our learners to be successful.

Library Lessons & Overdue Books

As the year is quickly coming to a close, we are busy finalising and stocktaking the Library resources. Class Library lessons and student borrowing will end this Friday Nov 25, with all books having to be returned by next Friday Dec 1. Some students will have brought home notices of overdue books. Please help your student look for the book so it may be returned to the library. If the book is definitely missing, please can you write a note on the overdue notice to confirm that it is missing and send the note back to the library with your student. Thank you to those who have already returned overdue books.

Updating our Contact Details

If you have changed addresses or changed your phone contacts please contact our office to make sure your details are updated. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Best Wishes for a lovely Xmas holiday break, see you back refreshed in 2017!

Amanda Richardson (Head of Curriculum)

MUSIC NOTES

Want to learn an instrument in 2017????

Our recruitment process has begun with students from year 3 attending a school concert and receiving a brochure outlining the Instrumental Program and instruments offered at East. Students are required to nominate their interest in the program by returning the “expression of interest” form attached to the brochure back to the school before the end of term. ‘Try outs’ for a position will commence in week 7 and continue to week 9 of this Term.

Instruments offered at East:

Woodwind – Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone
Brass – Trumpet, Trombone, baritone
Percussion – snare drum/bass drum/mallets

Julie Lewis (Instrumental Teacher)
FROM THE P&C

The P&C has held its final meeting for 2016. A huge thank you to those who contributed this year!

The next meeting will be the AGM planned for Monday 20th February at 5:30pm in the Conference Room. All members are strongly encouraged to attend the AGM as voting will take place for the 2016 P&C executive.

The following positions will be declared vacant and need to be elected:
- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Fundraising Coordinator
- School Banking Coordinator.

Any new interest in the positions will be warmly received. Despite appearances, being part of the P&C Committee is not an onerous responsibility, for most people all we ask for is a couple hours of your time once a month to help us make decisions, raise issues and for you to have your voice as a parent heard. All current members must submit a new membership form for 2016. If you are unable to attend the AGM please ensure you have completed a P&C form and submitted it prior to the meeting. Forms are available from the office. For more information concerning any aspects of the P&C including the conduct of the AGM, and the roles of executives please go to the P&C Queensland website: http://www.pandcsqld.com.au.

Christmas Raffle

We will be sending home tickets this week for the P&C Christmas Raffle. We have 16 fabulous prizes up for grabs:

1st Webber Q BBQ (valued at $400)
2nd $100 Riverlink Voucher
3rd $100 Lowes voucher
4th & 5th Hampers full of Christmas goodies (valued at $100 each)
6th $80 EB games voucher
7th $80 Mr Toys voucher
8th Pamper pack which includes Just Cuts, Hollywood Nails and Katinas Beauty vouchers (value $70)
9th $50 Brothers Leagues voucher
10th $50 Racehorse Hotel voucher
11th $50 Hogs Breath dinner voucher
12th & 13th 3 x Inflatable World passes (value $42)
14th 2 x Sizzler Sunday Breakfast voucher (value $40)
15th $20 Puckles Bakery voucher & $25 Montezumas Riverlink voucher
16th $30 Char’d voucher

And, a huge thank you to P&C member Channon Schiemer for sourcing all the wonderful prizes!

The raffle will be drawn at the Awards Parade on Monday 5th December so you must have your tickets and money returned by 9am that day. For extra ticket books please see Kids Café (Wednesday – Friday only).

To buy tickets - decide how many tickets you would like to purchase and place the right amount of money in the bag. Ensure your name & phone number are written clearly on the tickets. Keep your tickets ends with you and return the rest. Good luck to everyone!

SCHOOL BANKING

Don’t Forget Banking is every Thursday.

For anyone who has reached their 10 Tokens – don’t forget to let us know which reward item you would like from the list below!!

It’s never too late to bring your books along & for anyone who has lost their books, we can issue you a new one.

Thank you everyone for being great savers through 2016 and helping our school earn some great commissions!!

School Banking Rewards Program
Some great 2016 & 2015 rewards are still available!

For any parents interested in participating in the program next year please register your interest by visiting your local CBA branch or online www.commbank.com

Our School currently earns 5% Commission on each individual deposit made at school (up to $10).

BUNDAMBA SSC
YEAR 7 - 2017
TRANSITION DAY
Tuesday 29 November 2016
8:45 – 2:50pm
Lunch provided
Wear Primary School Uniform
Students to be dropped and collected at the hall
STUDENT MUST BE ENROLLED
Phone 3816 6333 for Interview or further enquiries
3B Math Mayhem

As part of our problem solving exercises to help develop the mathematical thinking processes, students of 3B are given a series of problems to solve. One example of these problems, is when we use a set of Tangrams to create a shape following a series of instructions. This week we have been lucky to share one such exercise with Mrs Meerwald and Mr Lee.

The students of 3B love challenge of these activities and never give up.

Elsje McQueen (3B Classroom Teacher)
**Vacation Care Starts Right Here**

**Ipswich East OHSC**

**12th December 2016 – 23rd December 2016**

**And**

**9th January 2017 – 20th January 2017**

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<td><strong>CRAFT MANIA!</strong></td>
<td><strong>CAMP OHSC</strong></td>
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<td>Bring one from home or watch ours</td>
<td>Games Activities</td>
<td>Damper making Shelter building</td>
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<td><strong>Jumping Castle &amp; Go Kart</strong></td>
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<td>Do you have a water gun? Bring it in!</td>
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<td><strong>Sizzling new year’s water play day</strong></td>
<td><strong>Let’s get ACTIVE</strong></td>
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<td>Bring your water gun!</td>
<td>Playground Games</td>
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<td>Complete in 1 minute challenges &amp; win minute money for prizes at the end of the day</td>
<td>Icky, sticky, silty stuff that you create and plate with. Come dressed to get dirty.</td>
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<td><strong>MESSY PAINT AND WATER DAY!</strong></td>
<td><strong>DECOMA A MAGICIAN LET US SHOW YOU SOME FUN, COOL TRICKS.</strong></td>
<td><strong>We are Australian...</strong></td>
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<td>Kids Thumb Print Fridge Magnets</td>
<td>The perfect Gift for the Green Thumb</td>
<td>Don’t about getting messy, we can wash it off! wear old clothes and pack spare ones!</td>
<td>All things Aussie... games, cooking, activities, storytelling... and lots of fun!</td>
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