Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank You Parent Volunteers!

Three recent school events have been supported by a number of parent volunteers. Our Mother’s Day stall was organised by Laura Stevenson and I would like to acknowledge her enthusiastic and generous contribution. Laura was ably supported by Bobbie Comber and a number of parent volunteers. I would also like to thank all our families for supporting this P&C fundraising event.

Our Prep to Year 3 Movie Night was also successfully organised by the P&C. After our initial movie night was cancelled due to the recent heavy rain it was encouraging that so many students were able to come on Friday night. Thank you P&C Executive and parent volunteers who helped on the night and/or contributed by making delicious snacks and treats to sell.

NAPLAN breakfasts were provided each morning to our year 3 and 5 students. The Student Council gave a message to the P&C Executive on behalf of the students. “On behalf of the year three and five students, the student council would like to say a big thank you to the P&C and parent volunteers who provided snacks each morning prior to NAPLAN. It made a big difference to the students taking part in the tests.”

Celebrating Queensland Week

A number of our year 2 and year 3 students were given the opportunity to join in the celebrations for Queensland Week. The event held at The Gabba included a speech from Professor Ian Frazer AC (2006 Queensland Great) and then a powder paint fight with Lions player, Daniel Merrett (Queensland Week ambassador) Finally, the students enjoyed some treats made by David Pugh, Chef and Owner of Restaurant Two. Our students certainly enjoyed the activities and especially the powder paint fight which connected with this year’s theme “paint the town maroon.” Well done to the students involved for their polite approach and good manners throughout the event.

The East Brisbane State School Choirs have been invited to perform at St Paul’s Fete and Music Festival on Saturday 24th May. As well as stalls outside the church, there is a one day Music festival featuring schools from all over the district. Mrs Hodgson has sent information letters home and I ask that parents return the requested slip as soon as possible so that we are aware of the number of students who will attend. Your help with this would be greatly appreciated.

P&C Day – Friday, 29th May. This day, held each year is a chance for us all to recognise the contribution made by the hardworking volunteers on the P&C. I would like to congratulate and thank the parents and carers who give up their time to make a difference for the students at our school.

Identifying Lost Property

As the weather cools, more and more students are wearing their school jackets and they look very smart! However these jackets are taken off during the day as the weather warms and many of these items are being placed in our lost property area. It is very difficult to return these jumpers to the appropriate owners because the student’s name is not clearly marked. This of course leads to students inadvertently taking the wrong items and upset students who can’t find their newly purchased jacket or jumper.

To support your child being responsible for their own belongings and to support staff who are also helping ensure that belongings go to the rightful owners, please label each item with your child’s name. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.
**Under 8s Spectacular**
Students in Prep, Year 1, 2 and 3 will participate in a range of fun hands-on activities on **Wednesday, 24th June** (week 10, term 2). Parents are most welcome to join their children for the morning. Further information will be given in future newsletters.

**Before and After School Procedures**
Students arriving prior to 8:40am are to sit under the building near the tuckshop. It has been noted that many children are arriving to school very early and in these instances students should be supervised at before school care. Please contact our before school care providers if you are sending your children to school prior to 8:30am. Please note that Prep students can wait with their parents outside the hall area before school. Students are to go to class once the 8:40am bell rings.

Staff are busy before and after school preparing lessons, attending committee meetings and/or participating in formal interviews with parents. To ensure the safety of all students before and after school the following rules apply:
* Prep Parents (Prep G and Prep/1R) are to wait outside the Prep area until the morning and afternoon bells.
* Parents are asked to wait away from verandas before and after school.
* Teachers will open classroom doors at 8:40am. Please refrain from going into classrooms if the teacher is not present.
* All playgrounds are closed before and after school.
* The oval is out of bounds unless students are attending an organised sports program.
* Bikes and scooters are to be walked through the school grounds.
* All ball games are for supervised lunch breaks only.
* Students (and their families) are encouraged to move quickly from the school grounds with play opportunities organised with school friends outside the school grounds.

I trust that you will see the above rules as a way in which we ensure the smooth running of the school with all students arriving and leaving our school in a safe manner.

Have a great week,
Joanne Nicholls
Principal

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**PE NEWS**

**Budgie Cup** teams will be announced next week, with all students still attending clinics at Raymond Park with our TAFE Group for the next 3 weeks. Those students who do not make it into a Budgie Cup team will still be involved in a sporting event at East Brisbane School on the same day. Budgie Cup will be held at Coorparoo College on June 12 for the whole day.

**Our Games Monitors** are doing a wonderful job in the Prep Area and are popular every day. Thank you students for donating your time and getting involved with our younger students. Awesome job thanks Elijah, Theo, Charysma, Emma, Nick G, Cooper, Junsuh, Adi, Emad, Hiro, Jeffrey, Carson, and Madeline in the Prep yard. Sorry Carson I forgot your name last time - you are an amazing part of the team and I do apologize.

**Free In-school Soccer Clinics** Thank you to Steve and Anthony for our free in-school soccer clinics. This was our final week and I think we can show you some improved dribbling and kicking skills over our clinic time.

Big thank you to our wonderful P & C for feeding our children’s brains before the NAPLAN tests. Big thanks to Maria S from Finn F for his bananas!

**Our annual EBSS sports day** will be held in two different terms this year. Track events (due to the Gabba Stadium only being available to us on Wednesday 17th June) will be in Term 2 and in Term 3 our field events and Junior Tabloid Activities will be held **Thursday 23rd July**. We look forward to seeing all our children in their house colours and team spirits on both of these days. Thank you also to the Gabba for accommodating us.

**Brisbane Roar Marco** will be back at our school again on **Fridays 29th May, 5/12 & 19 June 3.15-4.15pm** for soccer clinics available for Prep to Year 6. Please remember we need a minimum number of students so if you are intending to join these clinics please bring your form in and indicate yes to me tomorrow if possible. We are low on numbers so unless we get more children this clinic may be cancelled, we need approximately 10 more children. It is a great price of $55 for the 4 weeks which includes a uisport kit worth $30 (ball, markers and water bottle) this clinic is great value. The last lesson will include games inside the inflatable soccer field. If you wish to participate please return your form and money to the office asap or send me a note to indicate you will be sending in your form very soon.

Yours in Sport
Karen Florager

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**Trial Dates** for 10-12 yr children:

**TERM 2**

- **June 12** BUDGIE CUP-Touch Football
- June 13 State Basketball
- June 15 Met East Softball
- June 15 State Basketball
- June 18-19 State Hockey
- June 20 State Hockey & Netball
- June 22 State Netball
- June 23 State Netball
- June 25-27 State Rugby League

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**TERM 2 CALENDAR**

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3/4K NEWS
The term is flying by and what a busy term it has been so far! Our students have continued to work well within our classroom community and have been captivated by the learning across all subject areas. In English we are working on utilising appropriate language features and elements of retelling, which students will apply to their own writing when they retell a traditional Korean tale for a younger audience. In History students have been enthralled investigating the journeys that led to Australia’s colonisation and have been exploring the convict’s experiences before, during and after their settlement in Australia. In Maths we have been concentrating on concepts including number, place value and shapes. Our class has continued using Class Dojo throughout the term and students eagerly await Class Dojo Champions to be announced every fortnight. We encourage parents to continue to login to track their child’s progress. We have also begun utilising Studyladder this term to assist in reinforcing our learning within the classroom. We have had some wonderful achievements so far and look forward to student’s enthusiasm continuing. Finally, our class would like to send a big thank you to Mrs Florager for the amazing opportunity to participate in Friday afternoon Sport. The class has been thoroughly enjoying this and it has been wonderful to see such teamwork and spirit throughout the class whilst they participate.

5/6B NEWS
This term has been a very busy term so far. Last week on parade, we presented some video clips of the activities that we have participated in so far this term. These presentations covered excursions such as: the Friday touch football workshops, the visit to Marycrest nursing home, our leadership days, Harmony day and more. Even though we experienced some technical difficulties in the presentations, the work was of a high standard and all the students are to be commended for the diligence and commitment they showed to producing quality in their performance. It is amazing to reflect upon our work and to see the rich and varied experience our students have. Our goal to provide a rigorous and balanced curriculum is truly a team effort. The program includes the staff and parents of our community and the students themselves. We appreciate and thank all those who contribute in some way to making our experiences together at our school a part of an amazing education. One thing that impressed me about our class is the amount of talent that exists in our group. From sporting, to cultural, to musical to personal — our group’s talent is impressive. Term 2 is typically a busy term including assessments and completion of work for our end of semester reporting. I wish the students all the best as they prepare and finalise their work for submission and encourage our students to keep on doing their best. In class, besides doing many activities, we are working on knowing the reasons for them. Motivation in our learning is driven in many ways, not least of which is our own interests and goals. So we are using SMART goals to help improve our learning and to focus our attention and energies into the things, large and small, that contribute to our achieving our goals. I must say that this has helped us to improve in many ways. We are looking forward to the rest of the term and competing in the many activities such as our choral performances, Marycrest visits, Budgie Cup, Movie Night and more.

Student of the week comments
PG-Basmla working well while we are learning phonics in Prep. Basmla you listen carefully for the sounds in words and are being a great “Have-a-go-kid” now that we are starting to blend sounds together to read words Well Done!
P/1R-Oscar Extending himself in his work of Maths and English.
1/2D-Emma-working really hard to learn your words and improve your reading skills. Great effort Emma!
2/3G-Emily working hard to stay focused and persists to complete class work. Emily is thinking carefully, taking her time and checking her work for errors. Well done!
2/3N-Audrey Great manners every day, being a super listener and learner, always completing homework and progressing in maths facts.
3/4K-Manaima being an outstanding class member and always doing the right thing.
5/6B-Khalil Demonstrating the qualities and habits of a learner including being on time and ready for learning Well done!
5/6M-Carson being enthusiastic and motivated for learning and extending his writing skills. Also, producing in depth philosophy reflections about “what is an idea”?

P and C Fund Raisers
The P&C’s recent fundraising events have been a HUGE success!

The Mother’s Day Stall raised $950 - big thanks to Laura Stevenson and Bobbie Comber who coordinated this event. They have been working towards this for many months and what a great result! Thank you also to all the volunteers who donated their time and items for the event.

The Prep-Year 3 Movie Night raised $850 - more than 60 children attended this event ... thank you to all those who donated their time and delicious baked goodies on the night.

Don’t forget - we have two more FUN FRIDAYS scheduled for this month - and all funds raised will go towards Unicef’s "Nepal Earthquake Children’s Appeal": Friday 22 May - wear something crimson(red-the colour of Nepal’s national flower) on this day and make a gold coin donation.

Friday 29 May - Hot Dog day - the P&C will be sending out order forms soon.

P&C Executive.

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