A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all families who have returned the Parent Opinion Surveys back to school. These need to be returned no later than Wednesday to be sent back to the Department of Education and Training. This is a valuable opportunity to see how our school is travelling from the perspective of our families. Comments and results will be returned to the school and presented to School Council in October.

As many of you are aware, we have spent time re-establishing the school vision of ‘Learning for the Future’ and unpacking our school values of Collaboration, Curiosity, Creativity, Communication and Compassion. The students and staff have done a great job articulating what these school wide positive behaviours look like in the classroom, school yard and within the community. We now invite all parents and guardians to contribute to these values. Feel free to call into the school and have a look at what we have come up with so far, take some notes and provide us with any feedback or suggestions. At our next School Council Meeting we will go through these and cement these as our finalised school wide values.

At School Council, it was passed that sub-committees would be introduced in the following areas; finance, buildings and grounds and community and education. Sub-committees are an opportunity for all school community members to be part of the consultation process as well as drive initiatives within their field. Please notify the school if you would like to become a member of one of our sub-committees.

Parent teacher interviews have taken place over the past week and we are now finalising individual learning plans for all students. These will be distributed early next week. We thank everyone for attending, participating and contributing to these and look forward to implementing the strategies within the plans, tracking students’ progress and evaluating our progress at the end of the term.

Prep 2017 transition sessions will begin from the 10th of August. Please advise any families who have enrolled, or who are still undecided that these sessions are open to everyone. These transition days are a great way for new students and current students to get to know each other and experience how Queenscliff Primary School will operate next year. As we currently have significant more preps than previous years, there will be changes that we all will need to adjust to.

Finally, we are working on having a more prominent presence on Facebook, celebrating and marketing the programs and learning that takes place at our school. We encourage you, if you are a Facebook user, to like our page and share any relevant or important announcements with your friend lists. It is amazing how positive word of mouth goes a very long way to promoting our school within and beyond our community.

Richard Buckingham

Principal
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week Two
Inez De La Mer—Physical Education
Lily Addie—Mathematics

Week Three
Beau Broughton—Performing Art
Jed Hutchins—English

LUNCH ORDER DAY

Next Tuesday we will be offering a special lunch order day. We will be ordering lunch from Rolling Pin Bakery. This is not compulsory. Menus with retail prices will go home on Wednesday. Please return orders by Monday 8th August,

3-6 ATHLETICS

On the 17th August years 3-6 students will be representing our school at the regional Athletics Day at Landy Field. Permission notes will be distributed early next week. There is no cost for this activity. More details will be distributed next week.

SCIENCE @QPS
WEEK 28 – SPEAKING PRESENTATIONS

Wellbeing Element – Meaning and Purpose
Character Strength – Appreciation of Beauty

Throughout our lives there are numerous occasions on which we are expected to give speeches, including engagements, weddings, funerals, birthdays, work presentations, club functions and so on. Many people cringe at the thought because they have never been shown how to prepare for and deliver a high quality speaking presentation.

Cultivating in our students the confidence and know how to stand up and deliver well thought out speaking presentations will benefit them for life. At school students are expected to give verbal accounts of what they have learnt, investigated and concluded to different audiences, including in class, school assemblies, representing the school in public arenas etc. They need to be coached how to do this.

The benefits of these experiences for students’ personal development are immense and opportunities should be provided for all students to participate at least once to speak at a school assembly over their school careers. The key to avoiding possible stressful situations in delivering speaking presentations is to nurture in students the resilient and resourceful habits of being prepared, rehearsing voice tones, practising body language and identifying important points beforehand.

The focus this week is designed to provide explicit guidelines and empower students to feel confident in themselves to deliver a clear and competent speaking presentation.
IN THE COMMUNITY

ALL ABOUT KIDS!

LEGO AT THE LIBRARY

Cats, cars, towers, bridges… what can you build? Join other Lego fans and let your imagination run riot! Four weeks of after school fun at the Queenscliff Library.

No booking required. Ages 5+

Thursdays
4, 11, 18, 25 Aug
Queenscliff
3.45-4.45pm

www.grlc.vic.gov.au
Queenscliff Primary School welcomes all enrolled 2017 Preps, as well as anyone considering enrolling for 2017, to be part of our transition program.

**Please contact the school on 5258 1696 to register your attendance**

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Transition sessions will continue throughout Term 4 for all enrolled 2017 Prep students.