Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Our year five and year three children have completed their NAPLAN assessments with little fuss and generally without too much anxiety.

We deliberately kept NAPLAN to a low key with only minimal mention in school communication to ensure there was not undue pressure on our students. Whilst the print and electronic media made much mention of the tests we did not, and I was very satisfied with the completion of the tasks. Friday is a catch up day for students who were absent for any of the tests. Our results will be received later in the year.

Could I ask parents to note the closing date for payments for excursions and other extra curricula activities outside the school. When notes are sent home to parents there is a closing date included which provides us with some time to plan for buses and the numbers of supervisors required to accompany the children. Whilst there are exceptional circumstances where a late payment will be accepted, our preference is for parents to meet the payment prior to the closing date. It was pointed out to me today that buses are usually organised as soon as payment deadlines are met and this means that if buses are full it is not possible to accept any late payments. Hope you understand. I am keen for all children to attend their organised excursions but it can be problematic if payments are not received on time.

Our school tuckshop does a sterling job in providing healthy options for close to 1100 children every day. I wonder if you would consider volunteering to work in our tuckshop and assist our staff. You could leave your name at the school office or at the tuckshop. You could even call in and see Paula at the tuckshop – she will make you very welcome.

Next week sees interschool sport on Monday and the district cross-country on Wednesday. Further, the year one and Prep children will be involved in under 8’s week activities in the hall next Friday May 22.

Have a nice weekend,
Michael Kelly

WHOLE SCHOOL PARADE – PREP TO YEAR 6
Monday, 18 May 2015 - 2:10pm

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GOTCHA AWARDS

UP AND COMING EVENTS

**Monday, 18 May**  
Interschool Sport Year 4-7 – Game 1

**Wednesday, 20 May**  
Broadwater District Cross Country – Runaway Bay Cricket Club fields and Luke Harrop Cycle Track – 8:00am

**Friday, 22 May**  
Under 8’s Day – Prep and Year 1 – 1:30pm school hall and oval area

**Monday, 25 May**  
Interschool Sport Year 4-7 – Game 2

**Monday, 1 June**  
Interschool Sport Year 4-7 – Game 3

**Monday, 8 June**  
Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

**Monday, 15 June**  
Interschool Sport Year 4-7 – Game 4

UNDER 8’S DAY – FRIDAY, 22 MAY – 1:30PM
It will be great for Prep and Year 1 to Celebrate!  
**Date - Friday, 22 May from 1:30pm onwards in our school hall and oval.**

Our theme for this year is – Voices of children – Look, listen, hear and respond. We have a variety of fantastic activities. The best part is that everyone gets to dress up in their favourite costumes including the adults.

All Welcome!
PE NEWS
Broadwater District Cross Country
Date: Wednesday, 20 May 2015
Venue: Runaway Bay Cricket Club fields and Luke Harrop Cycle Track
Time: 8:00am
Program Times: Please note these are projected only and may be adjusted throughout the day at the convenor’s discretion.

8:00am Walk the course
8:40am Boys 10 years 2km
8:50am Girls 10 years 2km
9:05am Boys 11 years 2km
9:15am Girls 11 years 2km
9:45am Boys 12 years 3km
9:55am Girls 12 years 3km
10:30am Primary School Presentations

Interschool Sport (18, 25 May; 1, 15 June)
A reminder to all families that payment of $45.00 for Interschool Sport must be received by Friday, 15 May together with your Sport Permission forms. Students must wear school uniform to school and have their sports uniform to change into. Please also bring your school hat, sunscreen, water bottle and packed lunch.

DANCE EXCELLENCE
Due to Interschool sport on Monday afternoon the Dance Excellence group will not be performing on sharing. They will perform Thursday, 21 May at 11:30am in the hall for any dance parents who were coming to watch.

3A NEWS
This term we in 3A are excited to have begun a new science unit ‘Spinning Earth’. This unit has guided us to discover that regular changes occur on Earth. Many of these are due to the Earth’s rotation on its axis and the Earth’s movement in relation to the sun, such as the transition from night to day and the movement of shadows. As a class we are looking forward to safely carrying out more investigations requiring us to make predictions, consider observable and non-observable features and to collect and record data before finally summarising our findings. We are also preparing to use a range of scientific tools such as a sundial and a magnetic compass to assist in our investigations of the movement of our Earth.

CHAPLAINCY NEWS - K’s for Kids

It’s that time of year again! Ks4Kids is proudly supporting SU Qld state school chaplains that are working in our school communities to provide assistance, love and more positive options to our young generation. Why not donate to someone walking for this great cause, or better still.....walk yourself and raise valuable funds to ensure these invaluable Chaplaincy services are maintained and expanded to bring hope to every child in our school communities.

Those who walk themselves can choose to walk 3.5km, 10km, 20km and for the super courageous 30km!

The K’s for Kids walk is on Saturday, 23 May and stretches from Surfers Paradise to Coolangatta. It’s a great day filled with fun and exercise that helps support the chaplaincy program at Arundel. If you would like to sponsor a walker, donate or even join the fun and walk too go to KS4KIDS.ORG.AU or speak to the School Chaplain by calling (07) 5561 4888.

UNIFORMS AND LOST PROPERTY
Please remember to label all uniforms as the children usually warm up by midday and discard their jackets. Lost property bins are located in the school office. If your child has recently lost an item, please come and have a look in the lost property.
HELPING HANDS – WHO DONE IT?
On this imaginative 5 week detective journey, children will engage in many activities provoking intrigue through forensic science. Children will take on the role of crime detectives and gain invaluable skills in problem solving through the use of science.

Cost from $16.27 per session. Parents will be required to enrol their children, at no cost, into the Helping Hands After School Care Service to be eligible to attend the activity. Children will go straight to the Helping Hands OSHC service in the school from 3:00pm and they will be provided with afternoon tea before the Who Done it? activity begins. Parents can pick their children up any time after the activity finishes and up to 6:00pm. Call Helping Hands Arundel on 0458 010 769 for more information. Booking forms are also available from the school office.

SOUTHPORT STATE HIGH INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL
Open Afternoon – Wednesday, 27 May 2015 3:30pm-6:00pm
Guided Tours commence at 3:40pm and will run every 10 minutes from the Enterprise Centre. Information sessions will be held at the following times in the Discovery Centre. Session times are 3:45pm, 4:30pm and 5:50pm and will include:

1. Welcome address, school snapshot and excellence programs.
2. Principal's address.
3. Year 7 at Southport SHIPS

COOMBABAH STATE HIGH SCHOOL
Monday, 25 May 2015 Expo - for general enrolment and iGniTe Programs 3:30pm-7:00pm.
Friday, 5 June – Applications for iGniTe programs and scholarships due.
15-19 June – iGniTe testing and/or Auditions (dates for each program to be advised)

If you would like to book an enrolment interview during our Junior Secondary Enrolment Week (Monday 15-Friday 19 June) please contact the school on 5552 3888 and we will arrange for you to meet with a member of the Junior Secondary Team.