Principal’s Update
By Margaret Berry

YEAR 6 GRADUATION
Congratulations to all our graduating year 6 students. On Monday night we recognised the highest student performances across academic, cultural and sporting. Special mention must go to Harry Anstey Walsh who is Dux of school for 2015. Best wishes to all year 6 students as they transition to high school.

BYO IPADS 2016
All parents have been notified of their acceptance into the BYO iPad trial teachers and classes for 2016. Details on how to set up iPads and purchasing of iPads can be found in ICT News and on the Robertson website.

MEET THE TEACHER TIME
At the beginning of the year we are making available a time to meet the teacher and orientate students with their new classrooms. This will occur on Friday 22 January. Each teacher will be in their classroom ONLY from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm.

END OF YEAR CONCERTS
Special thank you to the music team led by Ms V for the Junior Christmas Concert and performance at Brooklands Retirement Village. The voices of our children singing their Christmas carols brought joy to many hearts.

VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA
A BIG thank you to Mel Kennedy, Marketing and Communication Officer who organised our Volunteers Morning Tea. It was such a wonderful roll up of our parents, grandparents and friends who have volunteered in the school. I would like to recognise all the parent reps who worked tirelessly for their classes and special areas as well as all of other volunteers. As mentioned at the celebration, ‘it takes a village to raise a child’ and the Roberston school community is a wonderful example of this.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS
It is time to enjoy our families and have some rest and recreation. We achieved more than we thought possible in 2015. Have a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year a safe and happy holiday.

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By Lesley Boshammer and Cartia Balladone

Thank you to all of our families, community members, staff and students for a magnificent 2015.

2015 has been an exciting one!

We look forward to seeing you in the ‘New Year’ when school resumes on Wednesday 27 January 2016.

Lunar New Year

Prep Seasons Show

YEAR 1 FIREMEN VISIT

LOTE TEMPLE VISIT

Grandparents Afternoon

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YEAR 6 GRADUATION

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December

Thurs 10 End of year parties
Classes for 2016 announced
Meet the teacher
1:45pm - 2:15pm
Final Assembly
2:15pm – 3:00pm

Fri 11 Last day of school
Clean up day

SCHOOL ABSENTEE LINE
3452 4166
Please call this number for all student absences.
Music News

Thank you to all the parents of our wonderful group of musicians this year, in bands, choirs and string orchestras. They have been the most enthusiastic and committed students. We also thank the parent reps, Brenda Brown and Vicki Lewis, who have been tirelessly helping out with so much for our musicians. You are greatly appreciated.

We finished with a fabulous Junior Concert on Wednesday full of fun and joy, and then a great breakup finale evening for the Senior Choir at Brooklands Retirement Village after singing our way there through the streets of Robertson.

We look forward to another great year in 2016 when we return from a well earned holiday!

Cheers
Miss V

Musician of the Week:

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LOTE News

Ni Hāo! 你好！This is the final LOTE news in 2015.

- Last week, the students in year 2 were working on the “snow man-xuě rén” in LOTE. Even though we don’t have snows in Brisbane, the students really enjoyed making their own “xuě rén” and putting on their favourite colours to celebrate the wonderful Christmas season.

- Today’s sentence:

  Wish you have a happy and safe holiday.
  祝你有一个快乐和平安的假期。
  zhù nǐ yǒu yí ge kuài lè hé píng ān de jià qí.

- See you all in the year of MONKEY in 2016.

Xiè xie (thank you, 谢谢).
Míng nián jiàn (see you next year, 明年见).
Ms Hsieh (LOTE Teacher)

ICT News

BYO IPAD PROGRAM

Parents, please remember to go to the school’s website for all the information regarding how to set up your child’s iPad for next year. The list of required apps is available on the school’s website or through our iTunes U course found here. (To access this course you must use an iOS device with the iTunes U app installed.)

Any questions you have can be emailed to iPad@robertsonss.eq.edu.au.

IPAD PURCHASING OPTIONS

Looking to purchase an iPad for your child in 2016? Listed below are 2 options available to Parents of Robertson SS students.

Please note: You are under no obligation to purchase your devices by one of the following methods. We recommend that you look for the option that best suits your family’s needs.

1. The P&C have organised for a BYO Portal through JB HI-FI Education. This portal allows Parents of Robertson SS to purchase discounted Apple Products through a website specially designed for Robertson SS. The JB HI-FI portal offers competitive educational pricing on iPads, Extended Warranties, accidental damage insurance and flexible payment options. A link
to the portal will soon be available on the school’s website.

2. Apple Family Funded Program. Robertson SS parents are now able to purchase discounted Apple products directly through Apple. Simply call 133 622 or go into any Apple Store (Carindale or Brisbane City) and tell them you are from Robertson SS and you will be given a 4% discount on iPads, 15% discount on AppleCare and a 10% discount on Accessories. Finance options are also available for those who are interested. The team at the Apple store will also support you in setting up your iPad.

APPLE CODING EVENT
On Wednesday, four year five students attended a special coding and programming event held at the Apple retail store in Brisbane. This event, hosted by Apple, and attended by Kate Jones, the Minister of Education, was designed to give students a look into the world of video game design. Special guests included some of Brisbane’s most enterprising game developers Anais Riley (Spunge Games), Matt Knights, Dean Loades (Protostar) and John Passfield (Red Sprite Studios) makers of games such as Brainiversity and Sling Kong.

ICT NEWS
Parents, did you know that all state school students from prep to year 12 can download multiple free copies of the Microsoft Office 2013 Suite to their personal home and mobile computer equipment. Students who want the free software will need an active Managed Internet Service (MIS) login, school email account and password - those who don’t have these details should contact their class teacher. Currently, MS Office Suite 2013 is available for students’ personal equipment only. Please click here for more details and instructions

Gifted News
SECOND TIME ICAS SUCCESS FOR JARED
Last Friday, the Annual ICAS Medal Presentation Ceremony was held to publically acknowledge, encourage and reward student achievement across the various academic disciplines. Students with the top score in each subject in each year level were awarded a medal and a medal winner’s certificate.

We congratulate Jared (5/6R) for winning the award for Year 5 Mathematics. This is the second time Jared has won this event, receiving the Medal for Year 3 mathematics back in 2013. Congratulations on your outstanding achievement!

A little bit of season fun: Can you solve these two Christmas puzzles? They are the names of popular Christmas carols. Answers can be found on the bottom of page?

(1) A B C D E F G H I J K M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
(2) NOEL (2). DECK THE HALLS

Answers to puzzles:
(1). NOEL (2). DECK THE HALLS

Zoe Grafton & Tim Colston
Gifted and Talented Coordinators
P&C News

Last week the P&C held a school disco and after a shaky start with ticket sales, it ended up being a huge success. A special thanks to all the parents that helped organise and run the event and thank you to all the parents who have provided feedback - keep it coming.

As we look to the 2016 year, it’s probably a good time to remind everyone about the P&C Annual General Meeting (AGM) which will be held on the 8th of March 2015. All P&C executive positions are vacated at the start of the meeting and any P&C member can nominate for any position.

The AGM is also the only meeting during the year where you can join the P&C without actually being at a meeting, so if you can’t make it but want to be involved, fill out an application (available on the website) and send it in.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to all. Another year done and dusted.

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

Please note: school banking resumes in the 2nd week of term 1 for 2016. There is no school banking in the first week of school.

Uniform Shop News

Are you able to help in the uniform shop during January 2016 holidays? Please see the below times and contact Jodi O’Reily on 0431 156 690 if you are able to help.

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HOLIDAY OPENING TIMES

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Chaplaincy News

A REASON TO BE MERRY

Christmas is a time for generosity. Many people give gifts to show how much they care. The Christian story tells of the king of heaven sending his divine son to earth, to be born as a baby. This was his gift to humankind. Is there someone less fortunate than you who you can show generosity to this Christmas? People say that it is better to give than to receive. Why not put that to the test - you just might find a reason to be merry this Christmas.
**GOLD SPONSORS**

- North Shore Development & Coaching Centre
- Helping Hands Work
- Peter Russo MP
- Yong
- Continuity
- Newnham Family Dental

**SILVER SPONSORS**

- Extragreen Holidays
- Subway
- Retail First
- Sunnybank
- H&H Air Conditioning

**BRONZE SPONSORS**

- Red Rooster Coopers Plains
- Keyboard Kidz
- Priority Choice Mortgages
- Storage King Acacia Ridge
- Graham Perrett MP

**FRIENDS & PARTNERS**

- The Workshops Rail Museum
- Priestley’s Gourmet Delights
- Shingle Inn Sunnybank Plaza
- Michael Hancock – Broncos
- NRL
- K-Mart Sunnybank Plaza
- Dairy Farmers
- Dan Murphy’s Sunnybank
COMMUNITY NEWS

GYM Fun AT SPLITZ

Gym Fun is the place to jump into gymnastics! Gym Fun is a fun gymnastics program promoting fundamental skills, fitness, flexibility, coordination, strength, and friendship.

The Gym Fun program contains positive, progressive, non-competitive experiences in a safe and fun environment for all children. Our Gym Fun program is the springboard your child needs into all sports with an emphasis on the development of gymnastics skills, physical conditioning, and spatial awareness. Movement is the key to learning for a child’s overall development, and forms the foundations for an active and healthy life.

Boys and girls follow a similar program, however, the classes are gender specific to accommodate for the different learning styles of girls and boys. Children are also grouped by age for peer learning and progress at their own pace.

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All Gym Fun classes are run out of our Robertson State School Venue on Estoril St, Robertson.
Contact us on (07) 3279 4977 now to book a FREE TRIAL for your child...
info@spltz.com.au
ORDERING YOUR 2016 BOOKLIST

Is easy online @ Schoolstuff.com.au

And all orders placed before the 4th of January are guaranteed delivery prior to the commencement of school.
Principal's Update 校長通訊

YEAR 6 GRADUATION 六年級畢業典禮

恭喜所有六年級的畢業生！星期一晚上，我們表彰了在學習、文化和體育上表現出色的學生，特別表彰Harry成為2015年年度最佳學生！希望所有畢業生的中學生活一切順利。

BYO IPADS 2016 2016年iPad班級

學校已通知家長關於學生明年是否進入iPad班級，具體關於iPad設置以及購買的細節請洽ICT通訊和Robertson網站。

MEET THE TEACHER TIME 見新老師

明年學期開學之前，我們為學生預備了時間見新老師和參觀新教室，時間為1月22日星期五12:00pm—1:00pm。

END OF YEAR CONCERTS 年末音樂會

在Ms V的帶領下，我們的音樂團隊在Brooklands安老社區獻上了精彩的演出，他們優美的聲音為很多人的心靈帶來了快樂和喜悅。

VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA 義工早茶

十分感謝市場部負責人Mel Kennedy為我們組織了義工早茶，這是一個很好的機會讓所有幫助過學校社區的家長朋友們齊聚一堂，同時感謝並表彰家長代表們一直以來在教室裏和其他方面的幫助，正如畢業典禮上說的那樣，“我們需要聚合一個社區的努力來成就一個孩子的成長”，Robertson小學正在實踐這一理念。

最後祝大家聖誕節快樂，是時候和家人一起享受一個輕鬆愉快的假期了！

Deputy News 副校長通訊（by Ms Lesley Boshammer & Ms Cartia Balladone）

感謝所有的家長、社區成員、教職工以及學生們在2015年的努力，十分期待在2016年1月27日星期三開學日見到大家！

Music News 音樂科通訊（by Miss V）
感謝所有的音樂學生和他們的家長們！特別是我們的家長代表Brenda Brown和Vicki Lewis一直協助我們的各種活動！星期三的低年級音樂會給大家帶來了很多的歡笑，此外高年級合唱團在Brooklands安老社區也獻上了精彩的演出。期待明年與大家再見，希望大家度過一個輕鬆愉快的假期！

Musician of the Week

優秀的音樂科學生:

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LOTE News

中文科通訊(by Ms Hsieh)

- 這是今年最後一次中文通訊了。上個星期2年級學生在中文課上製作了雪人，儘管布里斯班沒有雪，但是孩子們都很喜歡製作雪人，並給雪人塗上各種顏色來慶祝即將到來的聖誕節。
- 2015年羊年即將結束，我想要感謝所有在2015年努力學習中文的孩子們，以及在課堂上協助我們的教職工和家長們！

ICT News

BYO iPad Program

家長們，請不要忘記查看學校網站獲取更多信息https://robertsonss.eq.edu.au/Curriculum/Subjectsandprograms/Pages/BYO-iPad-Program.aspx，例如如何設置孩子的iPad等。要求安裝的應用可從學校網站或iTunees.apple.com/enroll/ESZ-JKE-RJE獲取。更多信息請洽iPad@robertsonss.eq.edu.au。iPad Purchasing Options

購買iPad？以下有一些建議家長可以參考。請注意：您可以自己選擇自己的購買方案，這裡只是提供一些信息供您參考。

- 家長會與JB HI-FI交涉了本校家長購買iPad的特殊通道，特殊通道面向Roberston State School。提供Apple產品購買折扣，保修期延長，意外損壞保險以及更多樣的付款選擇。特殊通道的連結將放置於學校網站上。
- Apple家庭計畫。Robertson SS的家長可以直接從Apple購買打折的Apple產品，您可以致電133622或者去Apple商店（Carindale或者Brisbane City）,告訴他們您來自Robertson State School。購買iPad可以獲得96折（4% off），Apple Care可獲得85折，附件可獲9折。更多付款選擇可洽商店，商店裏的apple團隊也可以幫助您設置iPad。

Apple Coding Event

星期三，4名五年級學生參加了Apple零售店舉辦的編碼活動。此次活動由Apple舉辦，Kate Jones、教育部參與，希望引導孩子們瞭解遊戲背後的編碼設計。一些布裏斯班著名的遊戲開發人士也參加了此次活動，如Anais Riley (Spunge Games), Matt Knights, Dean Loades (Protostar) 和John Passfield (Red Sprite Studios) 等。

ICT News

Gifted News 資優班通訊

SECOND TIME ICAS SUCCESS FOR JARED  Jared第二次獲得ICAS競賽第一名

上個星期五，年度ICAS頒獎典禮公開表彰了各學科上有所成就的學生們，各學科得分最高的學生獲得了獎牌和獎狀。恭喜Jared (5/6R) 獲得了五年級數學競賽的第一名，這是Jared繼2013年三年級競賽之後第二次贏得這個競賽的第一名。恭喜Jared令人欣喜的成就！

P&C News 家長會通訊

P&C UPDATE

上個星期，家長會舉辦了學校迪斯科舞會並取得了巨大的成功，感謝所有幫助組織此次活動的家長們以及大家的積極反饋。2016年家長會年會將於2015年3月8日舉辦，所有家長會職位將空出，所有家長會成員都可以申請。如果您沒有時間出席會議，您可以在線上獲取申請表格。在此祝大家聖誕快樂！

JOIN US 加入我們

您想成為家長會的一員嗎？家長家長會是免費的，您所需要做的就是填寫申請表格，於會議上交給我們或寄給我們。從而獲取參加年會的資格（2016年5月）。

NEXT MEETING 下次會議

下次會議時間為2016年3月9日星期二，7pm—9pm。

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS學校銀行服務資訊

學校銀行服務於2016年第一學期第二周開始，學校第一週沒有銀行服務。

Uniform Shop News 校服社通訊

HELP WANTED 招義工

如果您有時間明年可以幫助校服社，請聯繫Jodie 0431156690。福利社開放時間可見於英文版通訊中。

Chaplain News駐校主教通訊(by Ben Chapman)

A REASON TO BE MERRY 歡樂的假期

聖誕節是一個慷慨的節日，人們送禮物表達感謝和關心，基督教的故事告訴我們萬能的神將他的獨生子賜給世人。這個聖誕節，你身邊有需要關愛的人嗎？人們說給予比索取更好，為什麼不試試一下——

你或許會發現一個特別的聖誕節。

COMMUNITY NEWS社區通訊

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報名請洽 3219 0808

NORTH SHORE 開放日及2016年招生

具體信息請洽——3343-1883/0422 001 399（Vanessa）

時間：11月10日至11月19日，星期二和星期四，3：30至4：30。

地址：本校，第二教學樓

KEEP CALM AND SHOP ONLINE 線上預約學校用品
網址：Schoolstaff.com.au。1月4日之前的預定將於開學前寄到。