Principal’s Update

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) 1:1 iPAD 2016

In line with Annual Implementation Plan and digital futures strategic direction, Andrew Grant ICT Coordinator is currently running parent information sessions about 1:1 iPad classes which will begin in 2016. Teachers are being skilled in the use of iPads as an instructional tools and some classes will trial the use of iPads in a one to one situation for part of term 4, 2015.

An expression of interest (EOI) will be going out to all parents in P - 6 to indicated if they would like to have their child/children in a 1:1 iPad class in 2016. The formation of BYOD 1:1 iPad classes will depend on the outcome of this response.

Over the next three years it is envisioned that all students will have the opportunity to engage with the BYOD iPads in classrooms. The current 1:1 laptop class will continue in year 5 and year 6 in 2016. There are many other schools who are currently using the 1:1 BYOD iPads as a digital device to support learning. The versatility of the iPad and the availability of learning apps and the cost of the iPad compared to the laptop has all contributed to this decision.

On the school website in the Curriculum/Subjects and Programs you can access more information regarding the BYOD 1:1 iPad program and if you have any questions they can be posted here. A ‘Frequently Asked Question’ section is also included. If you have not attend the parent information session I would encourage you to attend the next one on Monday 24 August at 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm in the school library. See more information within.

COUNTDOWN TO THE SPRING FEST AND NEW P & C WEBSITE

With four weeks to go the Spring Fest committee has been hard at work and the latest Spring Fest newsletter has all the information. P&C President, Glenn Rieger has developed a very comprehensive P&C website www.rsspandc@org.au which allows our community to view the progress on fund-raisering as well as advertising P&C events and services (tuckshop and uniform shop). I commend this to you and thank Glenn for sharing his technological expertise to improve communication with our parent community.

ARE YOU READING TO YOUR CHILD?

As we continue with our school improvement agenda of Reading and Writing, I cannot express enough the importance of reading to your child or having them read to you every night. Talking about what is being read and checking for understanding of the text, helps to make your child a good reader. Please make reading a household routine.

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By Lesley Boshammer

**HANDWRITING**

Many children are reluctant to write and usually you hear things like “my hand is tired” or “I don’t know what to write”. Quite often this is due to the child’s fine motor skills and posture.

Children begin to learn handwriting long before they start school – they begin to gain handwriting skills when they first hold a pencil or pen and make strokes and squiggles on paper. This is why it is so important for the child to be taught how to hold a pencil correctly.

Handwriting is a skill that is linked to the development of a child’s:
- Fine and gross motor skills and strength
- Visual discrimination
- Visual memory
- Hand-eye coordination.

Just like any skill, handwriting needs to be practised regularly.

*How can you promote correct pencil grip?*

You can help your child by making sure:
- The pencil is held between the thumb tip and the index finger
- The pencil rests near the first joint of the middle finger
- The fingers and hand move freely.

Schools can now use the resource directly as part of their Parent and Community Engagement strategies. QCursive can be embedded into Virtual Classrooms and e-Studios or promoted on school websites. Parents do not need to log in to access the resource.

QCursive includes handwriting and spelling activity resources, as well as links to guidelines for teaching handwriting. Notes about joining rules and guidelines for various year levels are also included.

The package also includes fonts which can be loaded onto a computer, including the Beginner’s Alphabet (QBeginners) font and the Queensland Modern Cursive (QCursive) font, for both Windows and Mac computers. QCursive editor software (for Windows computers only) allows processing from unjoined to joined characters.

Installation notes and conditions of use are included. **Note:** The Department of Education, Training and Employment does not provide troubleshooting or technical support for the installation or use of QCursive, associated fonts or resources. The resources are offered on an AS IS and AS AVAILABLE basis.

**Deputy News**

By Cartia Balladone

**STUDENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

In Term 4 all Year 5 students will be given the opportunity to nominate for 2016 leadership positions within the school.

This will involve accessing a nomination form from the office which outlines the application process, role descriptions and selection criteria. Nomination forms will be available from Friday 14 August.

Leadership positions include:

- **School Captain**
  - 2 positions - boy & girl
- **Vice-Captain**
  - 2 positions - merit not gender
- **House & Vice House Captains**
  - 2 positions each team
- **Student Councillor**
  - 3 councillors each year level Yr 4-5
  - 4 councillors Yr 6

**Technology Captain**
- 2 positions

**Technology Crew**
- 4 positions per team

**Environment/Eco Kids and Vice-Captain**
- 2 positions

**Choir Captain**
- 4 positions

**String Ensemble Captain**
- 2 positions

**Band Captain**
- 2 positions

**Library Monitors**
- number of positions TBA

**YEAR 4 CAMP**

All students will have an opportunity to attend the Year 4 camp to Tallebudgera. The camp is scheduled from Monday to Wednesday 12 - 14 October.

Letters for the upcoming camp will be distributed to students. These include an equipment list, medical information form, permission slips and dietary requirements.

We recommend that families review this information together and all forms be returned to the classroom teacher. Payment for camp can be made to the office.

If students require *medication over the three days on camp* a teacher will be supervising all medication procedures. A green medication form for prescribed medicine will be distributed the week prior to camp. School staff are unable to administer over the counter medication, including analgesics, homeopathic or prescribed medication unless they meet the accountability of a **written request from a parent/guardian**.

**FREE DRESS DAY**

The dates for the last three free dress days are listed below. All items donated will be used in the raffle baskets on the night of the Spring Fest.

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Please check the used/best before date on all food items.

**EARN & LEARN**
Music News

UPCOMING MUSIC PERFORMANCE DATES:
Thursday 20 August - Parliament House Performance by selected children from Senior Choir (notes due this Friday to green letter box) Reserves will be notified as soon as possible, if other children fail to return permission slips etc.

Friday 21 August - Songbirds "Hans Christian Andersen" Concert for Grandparents and others, 2:15 pm – 3:00 pm in music room.

Friday 11 September - Massed Choir (Songbirds and Senior Choir combined) - Springfest Opening Item at 4:00 pm on Netball Courts. Be there, it will be spectacular!

Senior Choir at normal starting time this Friday at 7:30 am. Welcome to all the new choristers who have joined in the last couple of weeks. We truly have a wonderful time each and every rehearsal!

Musician of the Week:

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LOTE News

Ni Hao! 你好

We have 21 students who were invited to attend the Chinese awards presentation in Qld Taiwan Centre on Sunday 9 August.

Art award: Violet Yoon L (C), Aliya F(C)
**Handwriting award:** Oliver H (C), Sean D (C), Marissa T (D), Zhixuan Z (HD), Melody C (D), Ethan M (HD), Elyse T (HD), Alastair H (HD), Genevieve O (C)

**Reading aloud award:** Simon S (HD), Kelvin H (D), Bridget F(C), Angel Z (HD), Melody C (D), Angela G (HD), Grace F (HD), Der-An C (D), Helen W (C), Celeste W (C)

LOTE assessments for year 4 - 6 will commence from week 5 to week 8. The assessment task information for each grade has been handed out to students in class. Please remind your child to prepare for the tasks by following the assessment timetables. Thank you.

**Today’s phrases:**
Congratulations to you!
恭喜你 gōng xǐ nǐ
Xièxiè! (谢谢)
Ms Hsieh (谢老师 LOTE Teacher)

**ESL News**

Does your child identify with a particular culture? (including Aboriginal Australian and Australian cultures).
Interested students are invited to join in a wonderful, colourful ‘Parade of Cultures’ at the opening of the fete (September 11 at 3:30 pm). It would be great to have as many students as possible join in wearing traditional clothes from their/their parents’ cultures if they have them. **Students are welcome to join in even if they don’t have a costume.**

So please start preparing your child’s cultural clothes and we look forward to them being proud of and celebrating their cultural heritage.

I need a list of students participating so we can organize flags.

**Please email to sign up.** The first two names received from each cultural group will hold their country’s flag or country’s name.

gkall1@eq.edu.au

More information will be sent later.

Mrs Kallioinen
(English as an Additional Language Coordinator)

**Chess News**

The Term 3 Interschool Chess Competition will be held at Stretton College on Thursday 27 August. This competition is the most important school competition of the year and all students in the chess club are encouraged to participate. Entry is open for all school aged children from Prep to Year 6.

The permission note, which can be found [here](#), needs to be completed and emailed to Mr Grant or handed into the office by Friday 21 August.

Students are also reminded that they can come to the ICT lab, under the library, on Wednesday and Thursday at first lunch to practice. All students are encouraged to attend.

Mr Grant | School Chess Coordinator

**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 - **not** equipment which is part of a school network.

Click here for more details and instructions.

Mr Grant | ICT Coordinator

**P-6 BYOD iPad Program - Parent Information Session**

Thanks to everyone who came to the first parent information session discussing the BYOD iPad program we will be running in 2016 across all grades in the school. There will be a repeat session on Monday 24 August 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm in the school library. The session will discuss the rationale behind the move to iPads, benefits of iPads in education, expected costs and devices to be used. See the school’s website for more information.

Please email [ipad@robertsonss.eq.edu.au](mailto:ipad@robertsonss.eq.edu.au) to register your interest in attending.

Mr Andrew Grant | ICT Coordinator

**Payment News**

**NEW PAYMENT OPTION**

Education Queensland has now introduced a new option for paying students invoices/accounts. ‘B-point’ allows a parent to pay their child’s invoices directly from home and receive the receipt immediately. This system is linked to our One School system, which means, once the CRN number and invoice number is entered it automatically links to the school system and marks as paid.

Please find attached a [HOW TO pamphlet explaining BPoint](#). If you have any queries, please contact the school on 34524111.
Help Year 2’s

SILKWORMS IN YEAR 2
The year 2 classes are observing the life cycle of silkworms in science this term. We have the eggs, but are in need of some food for our hungry insects! If any families have a mulberry tree at home and can deliver a supply of these each week to assist in helping our silkworms grow big and strong, could they please leave these in the library to be distributed to classes. Thank you in advance for your support as our children learn through observing life cycles in action.

Library News

Book Week is almost here!
We’re getting very excited in the library and our monitors are busily preparing their lunchtime activities for students to participate in ahead of Book Week. Students should look out for posters around the school advertising these activities next week.

Payment for Book Week events is due to the office by WEDNESDAY 19 AUGUST. Please ensure these payments are made in time to allow your children to participate in these wonderful activities. Many of the year 4 - 6 classes have been reading Brian Falkner books in preparation for his visit, and the junior classes have been exploring the books relating to the Perform Educational Musical show in library lessons. These are very special events that facilitate engagement in reading and writing, and we hope that all children will be able to join in. Permission forms need to be handed in to class teachers.

We are eagerly anticipating seeing the wonderful costumes you are working so hard to create at our Book Week Character Parade on Friday 28 August in the hall. All P - 4 classes will be attending this, with a special performance planned by our lovely Songbirds. There are prizes for the most creative costume in each class and a special prize for the best dressed teacher! Parents are welcome to attend.

Ms Ennis
Teacher Librarian

HOC News

ICAS SCIENCE AWARDS
Congratulations to all students who participated in the ICAS Science competition. This year we had over 130 students participate in this competition. We would like to acknowledge the achievement of the following students. These students will receive their awards on assembly next Monday 17 August.

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Gifted News

By Zöe Grafton and Heidi Isaksen

GIFTED COORDINATION DAYS
The Gifted Coordinator Days this term are Wednesday and Friday. Heidi Isaksen – Wednesdays – hisak1@eq.edu.au Zoe Grafton – Fridays - zgraf1@eq.edu.au

Our office is located at the bottom of Teaching Block 3 and is shared with Ms Hsieh.

FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVING
All our teams are working well on their final problem solving challenge for the year. Applications to join FPS closed in Term 2. However for those students and families interested in Future Problem Solving but who missed out this year, we will be running it again in 2016.

G.A.T.E.WAYS QUEENSLAND

FESTIVAL OF WORKSHOPS
G.A.T.E.WAYS is hosting a Queensland Festival of Workshops at Somerville House in Brisbane on Monday 21 September and Tuesday 22 September. Parents interested in enrolling their child can view the workshop descriptions on www.gateways.edu.au. Nominations must also be completed online at the same address. Please also see the flyer attached to this newsletter.

P & C News

P & C UPDATE
Now that the new P & C website is up and running we’ll be referring to it more often in our updates.

REMINDEERS
Follow the links for more details.
Workshop with Maggie Dent on August 19
Calling for Volunteers for Father’s Day Stalls

VOLUNTEERS AND MEMBERS NEEDED
Mary is still looking for more volunteers for the Tuckshop. Please contact her at tuckshop@rsspandc.org.au if you can help out.
We’re still looking for more P & C members so we can lighten the workload of the P & C. If you think you can help out (even if you can only donate a few hours a month), please consider joining the P & C and help us to continue improving the learning environment for all children.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

Thank you to everyone who has purchased an Entertainment Book – you have helped raise over $400 for the P & C which can be used for projects such as air-conditioning the music room. We’re now out of stock of the physical books but you can still order online (for both digital and print editions) to help us reach our target of $500. Print editions may take a little while to deliver (as they have to be delivered). Order at [www.entbook.com.au/222h379](http://www.entbook.com.au/222h379) or contact [entertainmentbooks@rsspandc.org.au](mailto:entertainmentbooks@rsspandc.org.au) for more details or cash sales.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is on Tuesday 8 September 2015 from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Members please send any requests for agenda items to pandc@robertsonss.eq.edu.au.

**SCHOOL BANKING NEWS**

School banking day is every Friday. Please place your completed deposit book in the green bin located in the administration building before 9:00 am Friday morning.

**FATHER’S DAY STALL – Gift donations & volunteers please**

The P & C will be running the annual Father’s Day Stall at school on **Wednesday & Thursday 2 and 3 September** where children will have the opportunity to purchase a great gift for their dad. Each class will have the opportunity to shop at the stall and the gifts range in price from $2 to $12. If you are able to donate any new items that would make suitable gifts for us to sell at the stall please contact Vicki Lewis on 0408 066 387 or by email at vixnmatt@bigpond.com. If you are able to help out selling on the day Vicki would love to hear from you by text or email or you can sign on to our volunteer roster by clicking [this link](mailto:rsstuckshop@gmail.com) (scroll down the page). Job satisfaction is guaranteed – the smiles and excitement of our kids as they buy gifts for those they love the most! We look forward to your wonderful support.

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**Tuckshop News**

Tuckshop Opening Times 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Tuesday - Friday [www.flexischools.com.au/?r=1](http://www.flexischools.com.au/?r=1)

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THANK YOU TO VOLUNTEERS

A big thank you to everyone who has volunteered over the past two weeks. I’d like to send a special thank you to Erica Chang and Jayne Tacon for coming to help at such short notice on Wednesday 5 August 2015 when we had no volunteers after the current virus that is going around had struck down most of our helpers.

We have the following classes helping over the next few weeks.

**Week 6 - PL**
18/8/15 - 21/8/15
**Week 7 - PN**
25/8/15 - 28/8/5
**Week 8 - 1A**
1/9/15 - 4/9/15

Please let your parent rep or email the tuckshop at rsstuckshop@gmail.com if you are able to help in tuckshop on any of your allocated dates. We need help between 9:00 am and 11:00 am Tuesday - Friday. Wednesday and Fridays are especially important at the moment.

**NEW ITEM ON THE MENU**

We have introduced a Beef Lasagne to our menu this week. Served as a 220g portion for $3.50 each. The lasagne is a Green approved product for QLD Tuckshops with no added preservatives. Go to [flexischools.com.au](http://flexischools.com.au) to order.

Have a great week!

Mary Maric / Tuckshop Convenor

**Chaplaincy News**

**FRIENDS ENJOY SHARING**

Deep down we all know that if we want to have good friendships we need to learn how to get along with others. Here’s a great tip - share your stuff! Because friends are so much more valuable than our possessions. A proverb that really helps me to share says:

*The world of the generous gets larger and larger;*  
*The world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller.*

In other words, when you share, you don’t lose something, you actually gain something more valuable. That’s especially true when it comes to sharing with our friends.

> I had a box of crayons,  
> All shiny, straight and new.  
> I lent a friend the red one,  
> And -- oops -- it broke in two!  
> My friend said she was sorry,  
> But I said "I don’t care,  
> ’Cause now we both can color  
> With one crayon -- we can share!"

Chaplain Ben Chapman
Getting Along

Getting Along means working well with my classmates, solving problems with my classmates without getting angry and following the rules of my class.

Student Goals: to work cooperatively with each other, to resolve conflicts by discussion rather than fights; to manage my anger; to show tolerance of other people’s characteristics; and to follow school rules.

Getting Along Habits of the Mind

- **Being Tolerant** means not judging or rating others as bad people based on their differences or unfair or mean actions towards me or others; and seeing people as made up of many parts who sometimes make mistakes.

- **Playing by the Rules** means accepting that by following important school and home rules, I will live in a safer and better world where I can learn and where my rights are protected.

- **Thinking First** means when I have a conflict with someone, rather than getting very angry and acting without thinking, I need to think in advance of the alternative courses of action I can take, think about the consequences of my proposed actions, and anticipate the impact of my actions on the feelings of other people.

- **Social Responsibility** means thinking that it’s important to be caring, to try hard to do my best, to be fair to others, to make sure that everyone has the freedom to say what they think and feel without fear, to be honest and tell the truth, to have integrity by making sure that I do what I say I am going to do, to respect others and have nice manners, to act responsibly by making good choices, to sort out problems without fighting, to care about nature and other living things, and to understand and include others who are different.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

**OZTAG**
Queensland Government has announced $15 million in Sports vouchers over the next 3 years.
These vouchers assist children and young people join a sport or recreation club.
You can receive up to $150 a student to help with sporting costs! Apply for these from 15 July, 2015 and redeem at your local sporting club.
visit [www.npsr.qld.gov.au](http://www.npsr.qld.gov.au)

The Moorooka Oztag club are part of this initiative and will be running a Tuesday afternoon competition for Boys and Girls 6-14 years starting September.

Redeem your voucher and play Oztag for Moorooka visit the website [www.moorookaoztag.com](http://www.moorookaoztag.com)

**FREE DENTAL TREATMENT**
Metro South Oral Health provides free dental treatment to all school students up to Year 10.
As well as to those 0-4yr olds, and Year 11 &12 students who hold a Health Care Card or receive the Child Dental Benefits Scheme.

Call 1300 300 850 to book an appointment at a clinic near you.
Principal's Update
校長通訊

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) 1:1 IPAD 2016 學生自帶電子設備計畫
为了和年度發展計畫以及數字化未來方向相一致,信息技術老師AndrewGrant 目前正籌辦着關於學生自帶電子設備的信息交流會。老師們正在學習如何使用iPad作為教學工具,2015年第四學期,兩個班級將率先試行iPad計畫。為此,信息技術老師AnDrewGrant建立了一個十分全面的家長會網站:www.rsspandc.org.au。這樣我們的社區成員可以更便捷地瞭解資金籌備過程、家長會活動和服務等(福利社和校服社)。感謝GlennRieger用他的技術知識幫助學校提高與家長及其他社區成員的交流途徑。

COUNTDOWN TO THE SPRING FEST AND NEW P&C WEBSITE 春季校慶倒計時以及家長會新網站
距春季校慶還有四周時間,校慶委員會正在緊锣密鼓地筹备着,最近一期的春季校慶通訊中有更詳盡的信息。家長會主席GlennRieger已經建立了十分全面的家長會網站:www.rsspandc.org.au,這樣我們的社區成員可以更便捷地瞭解資金籌備過程、家長會活動和服務等(福利社和校服社)。感謝GlennRieger用他的技術知識幫助學校提高與家長及其他社區成員的交流途徑。

ARE YOU READING TO YOUR CHILD? 您為您的孩子讀書嗎?
閱讀和寫作是我們學校發展計畫中的一部分,每天晚上向孩子閱讀書籍或讓他們閱讀書籍是十分重要的。討論關於閱讀的內容以及孩子理解的程度能夠幫助他們成為更好的讀者。

HANDWRITING
書寫
很多孩子厭惡寫字,我們常聽到他們抱怨"我的手很累"或者是"我不知道要寫什麼"。很多時候這些抱怨是源於不正確的握筆姿勢。其實孩子們在上學之前用鉛筆在纸上塗塗畫畫時就有開始學習書寫,因此學習正確的握筆姿勢非常重要。除了寫作姿勢,良好的書寫能力同樣是視覺辨別能力、視覺記憶能力和手眼協調能力的體現。像其它技能一樣,書寫能力也需要時常練習。如何正確地握筆?首先,用拇指尖和食指握住鉛筆,鉛筆輕靠在中指的第一節關節上,並且保證手指和手可以自由活動。

QCURSIVE HANDWRITING RESOURCE NOW DIRECTLY AVAILABLE TO PARENTS 小學低年級書寫資源已開放
QCurSive是面向小學低年級的書寫資源,網頁無需登錄,https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/6ec3c227-4ee7-9d60-91cc-1eb43021a9d4/0/index.html。寫作資源包括幫助提高學生書寫能力的資料,以及家裡電腦可以安裝的字形程式。作為家長和社區寫作策略的一部分,這些資源已經開放,學校或將這些資源融入虛擬課堂或在學校網站上推廣,家長不需要登錄便可獲取相關資源。QCurSive包括拼寫學習和拼寫教學資源,並涵蓋不同年級的學習需要。此外,可以在電腦上安裝的字形程式包括初學者的字母字形(QBeginners)和中級草書字形(QCurSive),程式在微軟和蘋果電腦系統上都試用。注意:教育培訓及就業部門不提供任何安裝的技術支持。

YEAR 4 CAMP 四年級野營
所有的四年級學生都有機會參加在Callebudgera的野營活動,日期:10月12-14日。所需設備列表、醫療信息表格、以及飲食需求表格等將會發給學生,表格完成後請交給老師,費用在辦公室繳納。如果學生在這三天期間需要藥物治療,學校老師將會負責監督。在野營前一週,一張綠色的藥物治療表格將發給家長,如果沒有家長或監護人的書寫請求,學校老師將不能負責學生的處方藥治療,如止痛藥等。

FREE DRESS DAY 穿便衣日
本學期接下來的穿便衣日的日期列在下面,所有的捐贈的物品都將用於春季校慶的抽獎活動。

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請注意檢查食物的使用日期。
Music News 音樂科通訊 (by Miss V)
即將到來的音樂演出日期:
- 8月20日星期四: 高年級學生議會大廈演出（表格請於星期五之前交至綠色信箱），如果有學生逾期未交同意書，我們會儘快通知候補成員。
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Musician of the Week 優秀的音樂科學生:
Cantabile: Brianna P, Caleb M, Yuri Songbird: Hamed Alyssa

LOTE News 中文科通訊 (by Ms Hsieh)
- 8月9日星期天, 21位學生參加了昆士蘭台灣中心的中文比賽頒獎典禮。此次比賽共向多所公立和私立中小學以及當地六所中文學校頒發了250個獎項。恭喜本校獲獎的同學們!
- 8月9日, 4-6年級的中文測試將於第5至第8周開展, 相關測試信息已經分發給了學生, 請提醒您的孩子按時準備中文測試的內容。

ESL News 英語為第二語言教學部通訊
你的孩子有獨特的文化背景嗎? (包括澳大利亞原住民文化以及澳大利亞文化)感興趣的同學可以來參加校慶當日的“文化遊行”活動（9月11日, 3:30pm), 學生們可以穿著自己文化的傳統服飾, 也歡迎不著文化服飾的同學們來參加, 所以請家長們幫助孩子準備傳統服飾, 我們期待看見學生們為自己的文化背景感到驕傲。我們需要根據報名情況來安排旗幟, 請電郵gkall1@eq.edu.au, 不同文化中最先報名的兩位學生將在當日持自己國家的國旗和名字。

Chess News 國際象棋通訊
第三學期的校際國際象棋比賽將於8月27日在Stretton College舉辦, 這是本年度最重要的比賽, 我們鼓勵象棋俱樂部的所有學生參加, 此次比賽面向所有學前班至六年級學生。請完成家長同意書(下載鏈接請見英文版通訊)並於8月21日之前電郵給Mr. Grant或者交至辦公室。學生們可以於星期三和星期四的第一個午餐時間到信息技術實驗室(圖書館下面)練習。

ICT News 信息與通信技術通訊

Payment News 繳費信息: 新的繳費選擇
昆士蘭教育部最新推出了一種新的付款方式, 家長可以通過B-Point在家裡付費並直接得到收據, B-Point連接著One School系統, 也就是您通過B-Point付款之後, 學校系統就會顯示您已付款, 以後學生可以用B-Point付費。我們將會電郵家長發票（Invoice），CRN號碼和Invoice號碼顯示在發票的左下角，請確認您正確輸入這兩個號碼, 如果您有任何問題請聯繫34524111。

Library News 圖書館通訊 (by Ms Ennis)
BOOK WEEK IS ALMOST HERE! 圖書周即將到來!
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HOC News 教科部通訊
ICAS SCIENCE AWARDS 科學競賽獎
恭喜所有參加ICAS科學競賽的學生們, 今年我們有超過130學生參加此次比賽, 具體獲獎名單請見英文版通訊, 8月17日星期一的集會上將對獲獎者進行表彰。

SILKWORMS IN YEAR 2 二年級觀察桑蠶
2年級的班級將觀察桑蠶的生命週期, 我們目前有蠶卵, 但是缺少桑葉的食物。如果您家中有桑樹並且可以每週向我們提供一些桑葉, 請您將桑葉送到圖書館, 十分感謝您的幫助!
Gifted News 資優班通訊

GIFTED COORDINATION DAYS 資優教育工作日
這個學期的資優教育工作日為星期三和星期五，星期三：Heidi Isaksen，hisak1@eq.edu.au，星期五：Zoe Grafton，zgraf1@eq.edu.au。資優教育辦公室在3號教學樓的底樓，和Ms Hsieh的辦公室在一起。

FUTURE PROGRAM SOLVING 未來問題解決工作坊
在最後一次的問題解決工作坊中，大家表現得非常好，報名參加FP8於第二學期已經截止，錯過今年工作坊的學生和家長們不要失落，2016年我們還會舉辦FP8。

G.A.T.E.WAYS QUEENSLAND FESTIVAL OF WORKSHOPS 昆士蘭節日工作坊
G.A.T.E.WAYS將於9月21日星期一和22日星期二舉辦昆士蘭節日工作坊，具體信息請查看www.gateways.edu.au以及附件中的宣傳頁，報名請自行在網上進行。

P & C News家長會通訊

P & C UPDATE 家長會新聞
現在家長會的新網頁已經投入運行，所有在我們的通訊中會更多地鏈接至新網頁。

REMINDERS 提醒

VOLUNTEERS & MEMBERS NEEDED 急需義工
家長會急需義工，如果您有時間幫助我們，請聯繫tuckshop@rsspandc.org.au。更多的義工可以減輕目前家長會成員的工作量，如果您一個月只有幾個小時的時間做義工，我們一樣歡迎您加入我們！

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 娛樂折價劵
娛樂折價劵已經為家長會集資了400多塊，這些錢將用於為音樂教室裝空調，我們現在仍有一些娛樂折價劵售賣，網上預訂：http://www.entbook.com.au/222h379，瞭解更多信息請洽：entertainmentbooks@rsspandc.org.au。

NEXT MEETING 下次會議
時間：2015年9月8日，星期二，7pm-9pm。成員請向pandc@robertsonss.eq.edu.au索要會議議程安排。

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS 學校銀行服務資訊
學校銀行服務每週五提供。請在星期五早上九點前將存款簿放在行政樓的綠色郵筒裏。

FATHER’S DAY STALL—Gift donations & Volunteer please 父親節攤位捐贈及義工招募
時間：9月2、3日，星期三、四，孩子們可以在攤位上為爸爸挑選一份貼心的禮物，禮物價格為$2-$12。如果您有新的物品可以捐贈給父親節攤位用於售賣，請聯繫Vicki Lewis 0408 066 387或vixnmatt@bigpond.com。如果屆時您有時間幫助我們做一些義工工作，也請聯繫Vicki。

FETE FIESTA 2014 金牌贊助、銀牌贊助和銅牌贊助名單可見於英文版中

TUCKSHOP NEWS福利社通訊(By Mary Maric)
TUCKSHOP OPENING TIMES福利社營業時間
星期二—星期五9:00am—2:00pm(星期一休息) www.flexischools.com.au/?r=1。

THANK YOU TO VOLUNTEERS 感謝義工的幫助
非常感謝上兩個班級義工們的幫助，同時，特別感謝Enica Chang和Jayme Tacon在我們臨時通知的情況下趕來幫我們！

NEW ITEM ON THE MENU 福利社的新菜單
200克牛肉千層面，$3.50，獲綠色環保食品認證，為防腐劑，預定請至flexischools.com.au。

Chaplain News駐校主教通訊(by Ben Chapman)

FRIENDS ENJOY SHARING 愛好與朋友分享
我們都知道了，如果我們想得到友誼，我們就要學會如何和朋友相處。和朋友相處有技巧——分享你的東西！因為朋友比你分享的東西更珍貴，有一句話說：「大方的人的世界變得越來越大，小氣的人世界則會變得越來越小」。換句話說，當你分享的時候，你並沒有損失什麼，反而獲得了更珍貴的東西。
COMMUNITY NEWS 社區通訊

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NORTH SHORE 課後輔導班
報名請洽--- 3343-1883/(0422 00) 399
上課時間：每週二和週四，3：30-5：30pm

OZTAG
昆士蘭政府將在接下來三年發放$1500萬運動券，每個學生最多申請$150，申請可於2015年7月15日之後開始，具體信息請閱www.npsr.qld.gov.au。
6歲至14歲的星期二午後比賽將於九月開始，具體信息請洽www.moorookaoztag.com。

FREE DENTAL TREATMENT 免費牙科治療
Metro
South口腔健康為所有10年級及低於10年級的學生提供免費的牙科治療，活動也面向0至4歲兒童以及11至12年級有醫療卡或享有兒童牙科福利計畫的學生。預約請電1300 300 850，或在您附近的診所預約。