FROM THE PRINCIPAL… (YEAR 5)

Dear Parents & Carers

We are currently considering our staffing and classes for the 2017 school year and I ask for your support so that I can ensure that we start the year with minimal disruptions. Attached to this newsletter is a tear off that can be provided to us if you need to notify the school that your child will no longer attend our school in 2017. This will assist me greatly to ensure that I start the year with the correct number of teachers and classes.

Additionally, if you know of students that are coming here for Prep next year and are yet to enrol, please encourage them to see us before the end of the year.

As you may be aware, schools are allocated their staff and grants based upon the number of enrolled students as at the eighth day of the school year.

Unfortunately, if a child has not returned to school before Day 8, the only way they can be counted is through the school producing a letter from the parent or notes from a conversation with a parent detailing that the child will still be coming to our school.

Each year, students attend after Day 8 and we need to provide for their education within our allocated resources. If your child is still coming to our school after Day 8 next year, please make contact with us so we can ensure every student is counted in our resource allocation.

It is anticipated that 2017 class lists will be displayed around the school after 2pm on Wednesday 7 December.

If you wish to discuss your child’s placement in 2017, I suggest that you make contact with the class teacher so that you can put forward your information for consideration. Please note that we do not allow parents to nominate their child’s teacher for the following year.

Thank you for your support for Kelly Stansmore, Matt Hay and Bryan Marshall as part of River 94.9’s Apple For The Teacher promotion. These three teachers have made it into the top 10 and are a real chance at winning some great prizes. The winning teacher will be announced tomorrow morning on River 94.9.

Thank you to all the families who attended the recent Instrumental Music Extravaganza. It was a great opportunity for our ensembles, bands and choirs to perform in front of an audience. I would like to thank Mrs Van Cooten, Mrs McInnes and Mr Chan for their dedication to teaching Music in our school. Additionally, I wish to thank all the students who performed on the night.

Next Monday we will be holding the parade for October Student of the Month. All welcome.

The SMS absence alerts will soon go live. If you have not yet informed the school of the preferred mobile number where the SMS will be sent, please do so. This system will alert parents when a child is absent from roll call and no message regarding the absence has previously been received from the parents.

Our Year 5 and Year 6 student leaders have been invited to attend the leadership camp from 21-24 November to be held at the Barambah Environmental Education Centre just west of Gympie. These students learn team work and leadership skills in a bush environment through a number of lessons and practical activities. This learning assists students to develop a strong student leadership team.

Please put the three swimming carnivals in your diary. They go for the whole day and we sell food and drinks to students and adults. 9 and 10 years is 29 November, 11 and 12 Years is 1st December and Year 1/2/3 is held on 30 November. We hope you can make it!

There is an opportunity for any keen snow skiers to compete in the interschools competition to be held at Perisher from July 4-8. If you are interested, information is available at interschoolsnowsports.com.au

Rob Mills
Principal

DATE CLAIMERS 2016

Mon 14th Nov— Student of Month— October
Principal’s Afternoon
Tea 1.30pm @ Hall
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
(Yr 2—Yr 3)

Defence

Our DSTA, Cheryl Kurtz has been working with your children during the year. Cheryl sees your children at least once per week and often at second break for activities.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could provide feedback on how you think the Defence team at Raceview State School is doing. Any suggestions on how Mrs Kurtz could further assist you, your child and/or your family throughout 2017 would be most helpful in expanding our service and improving our assistance for your child/children next year. If you would like to contact us, please email either Cheryl Kurtz, ckurt15@eq.edu.au or me, fhayl1@eq.edu.au.

There are many helpful tips and information for defence families on the Defence website which may be of interest. The following link will take you to the home page. http://www.defence.gov.au/dco/Children.htm

There is further information and opportunities to borrow videos and children’s books in the ‘Resources’ section. The direct link is: http://www.defence.gov.au/dco/_Master/documents/Handouts/Deployment-and-time-apart.pdf

If you require assistance and would prefer to contact the Defence Family Helpline direct, the telephone number is: 1800 624 608

This week our Year 6 Defence students spoke on assembly, explaining the significance of Remembrance Day to the entire school.

Indigenous Students Remembrance Day

Every week our Indigenous Teacher Aide, Mary Ballangarry, plans and organises opportunities for our Indigenous students and their friends to participate in art and craft activities. These gatherings are voluntary and are on each Tuesday and Wednesday at second break.

This week, children have been making Remembrance Day lanterns to remember and honour those who fought in the wars.
Before leaving for war, soldiers were given this boomerang as a token to ensure their safe return. The boomerangs were inscribed with the words ‘come back here’, translated from the Aboriginal dialect of the Brewarrina district of New South Wales.

Term 4 – Teachers Hard at Work!
Teachers are hard at work assessing and grading students in order to complete report cards.

Please ensure that your child is at school and on time so that they all have an equal opportunity to show their best work after all their hard work this semester!

Francine Hayler
Deputy Principal

PREP ENROLMENTS 2017

Prep enrolment packs for 2017 are available from the office.

Please note that Raceview State School is an “Enrolment Managed School” and as such, enrolments from out-of-catchment students are restricted.

Enrolling Now!

Please speak to the office, collect enrolment forms and arrange an interview if your child is ready for Prep next year.

I.e. (his/her date of birth is between 1/7/2011 and 30/6/2012)
Please bring your child’s birth certificate and proof of address.

Orientation Sessions:
Monday 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th November from 2.00—2.45 pm
Parents/carers and their child are encouraged to attend every session.

Class allocations:
Wednesday 30th November—Wednesday 7th December
Parents/carers notified of their child’s class allocation.
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
(Yrs 4 & 6)

RSPCA Xmas Appeal

Ice Cream day was a huge success and the profits from the day were $1069.

After contacting the RSPCA, they are very keen for us to spend this money on food and toys for the animals that they look after. The RSPCA is very grateful for our generosity and I feel proud of the efforts of everyone who supported and helped with this appeal. Sadly for the RSPCA, the Christmas holiday period is one of the busiest times for them. They also get lots of puppies and kittens at this time too.

Remembrance Day

Poppies and badges are on sale for the last day tomorrow, before school in the rotunda. Wear your poppies on Friday for Remembrance Day.

At assembly on Monday, our Year 6 Defence Students spoke about Remembrance Day and shared a lovely PowerPoint with us to help show how important this day is.

Soldier On

On Monday at assembly I had the pleasure of presenting Joshua from 3A with an award from Soldier On. Soldier On is a not-for-profit organisation that was founded to assist our Australian Defence Force veterans who suffer from injuries while serving, including PTSD.

Joshua chose to fundraise for Soldier On and through his efforts managed to raise over $1000.

Here is a picture of Joshua with his award and with his dad.

Well done Joshua! I think the world needs more kind-hearted and generous people like you in it!

Book Club

The last Book Club for the year is due on November 16. No late orders will be accepted due to time constraints at the end of the year.

Kathy Dawes
Deputy Principal
2017 BOOKLISTS

Yes - it really is that time!
Time to start ordering your book packs for 2017!

You should have received your child/ren’s booklist LAST WEEK.

This is a list of the basic requirements needed by your child to begin the new school year. This list has been carefully prepared by the teachers with specific items listed.

By obtaining your book pack requirement through our supplier, Olympia Office Products, you will obtain exactly the correct items required, while saving time and money.

A step-by-step guide on how to order can be found on the first page of the booklist.

The complete suite of booklists can also be found on the school website, under the Curriculum tab.

While you can order your book packs at any point, it is highly recommended that you place your order by the 12th of December to guarantee delivery prior to school resuming in 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact Olympia directly on (07) 3275 1122.
NEWSFLASH

RACEVIEW SENIOR AND JUNIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL – DATE CHANGE

Please be aware that due to unforeseen circumstances, we have had to change the dates for the Junior and Senior Swimming carnivals. The updated dates are as follows (Date Changes ***)

Tuesday 29 November
9 & 10 years students (Born 2007/2006)

*** Wednesday 30 November
Year 1, 2 & 3 Swimming Fun Day

*** Thursday 1 December
11 & 12 years students (Born 2005/2004)

There will be a parade held on Thursday 1 December in the hall at 2pm to present the swimming carnival age champions and overall champion house.
We will also present the Carol Freeman Interschool Sport Trophy on this day also.

Programs will be available to buy on the morning of each day for a gold coin donation.

Presentations for age champions (9 – 12 Years) and overall house winner trophy will be held at the hall on Thursday 1 December 2016 at 2pm.

Students in Years 1, 2 & 3 will participate in freestyle and backstroke (aided and unaided, 25m or 12.5m) events and then if time permits they will also swim across the pool in the house relay.

We have a number of senior swimmers that will be in attendance on the day and will be in the pool to support any students that require the extra help. This carnival is not for championships and the aim of the day is for the students to participate in races while enjoying their swimming regardless of the place that they finish.

There will be a BBQ available for all parents, family members, students and staff to purchase at morning tea on each of the days.

We are also looking for parent volunteers from our current student leaders to help with cooking and service. If you are able to assist, please contact me at the school as soon as possible.

I am also seeking parent help during the 11 & 12 Years carnival. If you are able to volunteer some time, please let me know.

Can I please ask that all students attending these carnivals have a hat (named), water bottle and all swimming equipment required. Please make sure that uniforms are named as we have had a lot of lost property in the past following these events.

I am looking forward to seeing you all in attendance to support our students as they swim for house points or championship glory. They should be some great days enjoyed by all.

Bryan Marshall
Physical Education Specialist

2017 Student Departure

If your student/s will not be returning to Raceview State School in 2017 please complete this form and return to the school office as soon as possible. (Yr 6’s don’t reply).

☐ Name ___________________________  Reason for Departure ___________________________
  Roll Class ______  School Transferring to _______________________________________________________________________

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Only return this form if your child is NOT returning to Raceview next year.
Orders are now being taken for the 2016 Yearbook.

The cost is $18 per book and orders are due by Thursday 10th November.

Due to administration processes LATE ORDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.

An order form, invoice and payment envelope have been given to each Year 6 student or payments can be made directly to the office.

A reminder that if your child DID NOT attend Raceview SS during Prep or Year 1, please scan and email a cropped photo (head and shoulders) of them during their first school years to dmill49@eq.edu.au so that it can be added to their individual blurb and included in the 2016 Yearbook.

( Please put your child’s name and current class in the subject line to assist us with sorting)

Photos, particularly those from the 2015 Swimming Carnival or the 2016 Semester 1 and 2 Interschool Sports Fixtures, are still being sought.

If you have suitable photos, please email to dmill49@eq.edu.au

We look forward to providing the Year 6 students with a lasting memory of the good times that they have shared whilst attending Raceview State School.

BREAKFAST CLUB
Every Monday
8.15 am at the Hall
ALL WELCOME!!

P & C NEWS

The P&C is a parent representative body, which stands for Parents & Citizens Association. The P&C is the voice of the parents. It is at P&C meetings that decisions affecting your child at school are made.

Being a part of the P&C is a great way for parents to be informed of what is happening at the school, influence school policy, have a say in the development of school activities, contribute to the school’s resources through various fundraising projects and a chance to meet other parents.

The Raceview State School P&C meets on the 3rd Monday of every month at 6.30pm unless advised otherwise. The next meeting will be held on the 21st of November at 6.30pm in the Staff Room.

We would love to see you there!

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1st prize - $150 Gift Card.
2nd prize - $100 Gift Card.
3rd prize - $50 Gift Card.

The raffle will be drawn Monday 5th December.

Please return all raffle tickets to the tuckshop no later than Fri 2nd December.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Keep selling those tubs of cookie dough. The school earns commission from every tub sold!

Orders and money due back to the Tuckshop by 15th November.

More order forms are available from the tuckshop.
Hi everyone,

For your convenience the tuckshop now has EFTPOS!

Please remember there are NO over the counter sales on Mondays. Online ordering ONLY!

For anybody wishing to start an online account with Munchmonitor, the details are as follows:

1. Go to www.munchmonitor.com
2. Enter Username : raceview
3. Enter Password : munch4305 then click "login"
4. Click "Sign Up" and follow the simple steps to get started

When placing orders please make sure you are submitting both breaks separately.

If you are only ordering for one break for your child please ensure that they are aware of this as we have had a number of children saying they are missing orders and becoming upset when in fact an order has only been placed for one break.

Can you volunteer?

Here at the tuckshop we are very flexible and will accept any amount of time you can spare,

If you wish to volunteer please phone the tuckshop or pop in and see us!

Thank You,

Leanne & Sharon

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

**ATTENTION**

Uniform Shop will be CLOSED FOR STOCKTAKE

Thursday 8th December.

The final trading day for 2016 will be

Tuesday 6th December from 8.15—9.30 am.

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A reminder to Parents

**Opening Hours for Term 4, 2016 & Term 1, 2017**

Monday: 2.30pm-3.30pm  Tuesday 8.15-9.30am

Thursday 2.30-3.30pm

If place an order on Munch Monitor it will be processed the next opening day of the Uniform Shop and sent to your child’s classroom.

If you do not receive it within a week, please contact me at the Uniform Shop as we had a few issues with orders not coming through on Munch Monitor and will need to track it down manually.

**Special Holiday Opening Times**

The Uniform Shop will be open Monday to Friday the week prior to commencement of Term 1, 2017.

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**NORMAL HRS FOR TERM 1 RESUME WEEK 1 commencing 23rd January 2017**

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A reminder to all parents that during first term (particularly at the start of the year) the Uniform Shop can get busy and you may experience some waiting. We ask that you are patient during this time.

Thank You,

Uniform Shop Convenor

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

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**REMEMBER**

Leadership Camp Forms are due back no later than Friday 11th November

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**REMINDER**

The raffle will be drawn December 5th. Please return all raffle tickets no later than Fri 2nd December.

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**REMINDER**

Last day for Student Banking is Thursday 1st December 2016
Prep/Year 1 Christmas Concert 2016

Wednesday 30th November

at 6.30 pm

BBQ from 5.00 pm onwards

Prep 6.30pm—7.00pm
Year 1 7.10pm

Year 2 and 3 Concert

Thursday 1st December

at 6.30 pm

BBQ from 5.00 pm onwards

Year 2 6.30pm—7.00pm
Year 3 7.10pm

Junior Choir

End of Year Break-up

will be

Monday 28th November,
during second break in the music room.

Senior Choir

End of Year Break-up

will be

Tuesday 22nd November,
during second break in the music room.

(Please note the new date)

YEAR 2 & 3 CONCERT

2A/2B

Nuttin’ for Christmas
Santa Clause is Back in Town

2C

Reindeer Boogie
We Wish You a Merry Christmas

2D/2E

Santa Clause is Coming
Boogie Woogie Christmas

JUNIOR CHOIR

Junkanoo
Sing a Noel

3A/3B

Cool Rockin’ Santa
Ho, Ho, Ho, Oi, Oi, Oi

3C/3D

Run, Run, Rudolph
Feliz Navidad

3E/3F

Santa Bring Me a Dinosaur
Aussie Jingle Bells

DONATIONS WANTED

Helping Hands is a not-for-profit charity
who aim to feed and support the homeless & disadvantaged in Ipswich.

Would you consider buying non-perishable items (tins, packets) and/or toiletry items when you are grocery shopping and put them in the clear plastic container in the office entry on the left?

Your contributions would be gratefully received and distributed by team members on Tuesday nights.

For more information please email Miriam Pronk at mpron3@eq.edu.au.
Part 7: Reading Comprehension—Recognising Cause and Effect

The purpose of cause-effect is to demonstrate a relationship between two things. A cause is why something happens; an effect is what happens. To find an effect, good readers ask, “What happened?” To find cause, readers ask “Why did this happen?” They may be stated in either order, that is, the effect may appear before the cause in the text. Understanding cause-effect relationships is an important aspect of comprehending. It is vital when comprehending science, social studies and history texts. Causes may not be directly stated in the text and readers are required to reorganise ideas and use prior knowledge. Good readers understand that an effect can have numerous causes and the one cause may have several effects.

Tips to help at home!

✓ Name a cause and have your child identify an effect and vice versa. What can cause you to wake up late? What is the effect of walking in the rain? Discuss together.
✓ Play a simple game in which you orally provide a situation (or a cause). Ask your child to fill in an action (or an effect).
✓ Share the children’s book *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* by Laura Joffe Numeroff with your child. Point out the use of specific cause/effect words used in the book, including if...then. Keep a running tally of all the causes and effects that happen in the story.
✓ Set up dominoes on a desk or table and discuss what will happen when the first domino falls over.

Focus Questions
To help your child recognise cause and effect, ask him/her the following questions:

What events does the author describe in this story?
What causes are given for the events described in this story?
Which words and phrases did the author use to signal cause/effect relationships? (because, since, thus, so that, if...then, therefore, nevertheless, this led to, as a result of, then...so for this reason, on account of, due to, consequently).
What happened? Why did it happen?
Were there more than one cause or effect? Does the author tell me exactly what happens and why, or do I need to fill in some missing ideas?
MILO T20 BLAST

MILO T20 Blast is an action based program that involves a modified game of cricket. All equipment is provided and no experience is necessary. Sessions run for 1.5 hours, weekly.

Register at playcricket.com.au. Click on the “Where Can I Play” box, and type in your postcode to find your nearest centre.

Contact: Danielle Portelli 0432 329 668

MILO in2CRICKET Program

MILO in2CRICKET involves modified activities and the development of the basic fundamentals of cricket. All equipment is provided and no experience is necessary. Sessions run for 1 hour, weekly.

Register at playcricket.com.au. Click on the “Where Can I Play” box, and type in your postcode to find your nearest centre.

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