



4th February, 2016

Dates to Remember

Junior Parades – Friday Even Weeks

Senior Parades – Friday Odd Weeks

All welcome to attend
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8-19 February

Life Education Van – All Year Levels

10th February

Coffee Connection – 2.15pm
Resource Room – All welcome

11th February

Caboolture SHS School Leaders Induction – 9.00am

12th February

Senior Parade – School Leaders Induction 9.00am.
School Banking

19th February

Junior Parade – 9.00am
School Banking

23rd February

P & C Meeting– Resource Room – 9.00am
All welcome

24th February

Coffee Connection – 2.15pm
Resource Room- All welcome

26th February

Senior Parade – 9.00am
School Banking

from the Principal

Welcome

A very warm welcome to all our new and old families, as the 2016 school year scurries along at a very hectic pace. We have been fortunate enough to have all our children back safe and sound, for which we are eternally thankful. We have had a wonderfully smooth start to the year and this reflects the dedication of our fabulous staff, who have put in a huge effort preparing their programs and their classrooms so that student engagement in learning is initiated from the very first day. Also a huge thanks to the tuckshop staff and parent volunteers who have manned the uniform shop over the past few weeks.

Our Day 8 Attendance Data download will occur tomorrow, Friday, and this will determine not only the number of teaching staff allocated according to student numbers, but also the extra staffing we can draw from for administration and support staff. At present we have 28 classes with 696 students. You can see that there is still a gradual increase in our school population which reflects not only an increase in the local housing development, but also the community confidence in what our school stands for through the offering of amazing educational programs and opportunities for children. **“No matter my journey, my pathway to success starts here!”**

Our 2016 school year started with all classroom teachers setting the parameters for engaging children, with discussions of classroom management plans. Each year level is completing their plan which will be sent to you soon. We ask that you read them with your child, sign them and send them back to their class teacher. Class Newsletters were sent home in the first week, with the teachers introducing themselves and setting the scene for their classrooms. Year Level Curriculum Newsletters will be sent out this week with more specific learning information, so watch out for these!

These units of work will be explained further during the **Parent Information Sessions in Week 3 on Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th February, as follows:-**

I encourage all parents to attend the Parent Information Sessions to hear about the learning that will be covered throughout the year and the opportunities for you to get involved in your child’s learning and classroom.

Parent Information Sessions – 2016

Session Time	Tuesday 9 th February	Wednesday 10 th February
3.15 – 4.15pm	Year 2 and Year 3	Prep and Year 1
5.15 – 6.15pm	Year 4	Year 5 and Year 6



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NEW STAFF: We would like to extend a warm Caboolture East welcome to new staff - Jenny Latham (Year 6L); Kelly Bradley (sharing Year 5AK with Amanda Richards), Briwen Biggs (Year 5B- known as Miss Briwen), Therese Abberfield (Year 4A), Rachel Hagerty (Year 2H) Rebecca Fitzgerald (Year 1F), Paige Somerville and Jenny Anstee (sharing Year 1SA), Judy Creedon (Year P/1C) and our new Chaplain Amanda Williamson (Chappy Mandy).

Also a lovely welcome to our new SEP teaching staff - Narell Nicholson and Lucy Gilbert as well as Brent McKinna and Danielle O'Grady in the ECDP.

Although not a new staff member, parents and visitors will see a new smiling face welcoming you at the office. It is the lovely Jodie Woollett.

Before the start of the 2016 school year, all staff enthusiastically participated in a very intensive 3 days of professional development, guest speakers and planning sessions. I am very excited to be working with such a dedicated and professional group of people. Throughout these newsletters we will outline the roles of our Learning Team staff and give you a snap shot of how they are supporting and building the capabilities of all teaching staff.

SENIOR LEADERS INDUCTION CEREMONY: The Year 6 students, who have successfully completed the leadership process at the end of 2015, will be receiving their badges on Friday 12th February at 9.00am. Some new students are still completing this process and will receive badges at a later date.

We look forward to this very special assembly and welcome friends and family of these recipients.

STUDENT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SCHEME: Thank you to all those parents who have enabled their children to have the necessary school resources to start the year, by paying the School Resource Management Scheme. This is a great scheme which enables students to have the correct books ALL the time and it is the cheapest in the region. We supply all their stationery and book needs throughout the entire year for just \$90 for Preps and \$100 for Years 1 to 6.

2016 BELL TIMES:

Prep to Year 6:

8.00 to 8.30am - Arrive at School.

- We would encourage all children to **arrive around 8.30am**. They will be supervised in The Large Covered Area (LCA) and The Small Covered Area (SCA)
- **Year 3** go to the Block 5 Courtyard
- **Prep** students will go straight to their classrooms until the end of Week 3. In Week 4 they will begin lining up in the LCA

8.30am – Bell (Teachers begin to collect classes from LCA and SCA)

8.45am – In class and mark the roll

8.50am – Start of First Learning Session

10.50am – End of First Session/Eating Time

11.00am - Playtime

11.25am – End of Playtime/Toilet/Drink

11.30am – Start of Middle Learning Session

1.30pm – End of Middle Session/ Eating Time

1.40pm – Playtime

2.05pm – End of Playtime/Toilet/Drink

2.10pm – Start of Last Learning Session

3.00pm – End of School Day Finish

SCHOOL DRESS CODE: All families have had access to a copy of our school dress code which has been supported and passed by the Parents and Citizens Association of Caboolture East State School. As mentioned in previous newsletters, we enforce this dress code as directed by law. If you would like another copy please ask at the office and we will be happy to print one off for you.

The uniform consist of **black** shorts or skorts with the CESS embroidered logo, the **school multi coloured polo shirt** (blue, jade and gold), **white socks** and **closed in black shoes** and a blue school bucket hat. All of these items can be purchased from the Uniform shop on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Our children wear the school uniform with pride and those parents who have attended assembly will attest to the fact that it does look fantastic. Thank you to all those parents who have supported us in our endeavour to make our school culture a proud, successful and exciting place of learning.

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P&C MEETING 2016: We started the year with many classrooms being air-conditioned thanks to the money raised by our P&C over the years. Thank you so very much...it's very COOL!
The first P&C Meeting this year is on Tuesday 23rd February at 9.00am in the Resource Building - Meeting Room 1.
I would suggest you come along and see what it is that the P&C does in our school. We also need lots of new people to support us this year.

At the end of the day, if we don't have people to put their hand up to help out, we can't run some of the fabulous activities we are famous for. If you are interested in helping out or joining Caboolture East State School's P&C, please contact our President Mrs Karren Carr by email pandc@caboeastss.eq.edu.au

PARKING: Parking is always a constant issue for us here at Caboolture East and last year we finally saw the completion of the council car park which is accessible from Lillie Crescent. The new aged care facilities across the road in Manley Street have also reduced car parking positions for our parents, so I would encourage you to take the healthier option and park a little further away from the school and walk with your children using the school crossings. Also be aware of the signage in Manley Street, which clearly states the Disabled pick-up zone.

The drop-off/pick-up circular driveway off Lillie Crescent was designed for the buses and families bringing some of our disabled children safely to and from school. This area is manned morning and afternoon by staff to ensure the safety of the Special Education children. Last year we willingly trialled opening it up for other families to utilise.

In most cases it worked well, although we had to remind some parents that it is not a waiting zone. If your children are not there you will need to drive on and park in another area.

This year, if parents are happy to follow the drop-off/pick-up rules, we will be happy to continue opening up the use to others.

Please respect the footpaths and driveway access of our neighbours by keeping them clear, especially in McCool Street.

AFTERNOON PICK-UP: Finally, I remind **parents to wait for their children** in the **Large Covered Area** or the **Small Covered Area**, so that uninterrupted learning can occur right up to the final school bell. Standing outside classrooms is a distraction for many of our children.

It has been great saying goodbye to the Parents and children as they leave the school each afternoon and we really appreciate you supporting us by helping us to care for the hard work we have put into our gardens, **by not walking through them.**

I look forward to working with you all in making Caboolture East a great community learning precinct.

Julianne

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PREP, YEAR 1, YEAR 2, & YEAR 3 NEWS!!

Welcome back to the start of a brand new year! I would especially like to welcome all new families to our wonderful school community. It is an exciting time for our Prep students this year as they have begun the transition to school. Our wonderful Prep teachers have been working extremely hard organising their classrooms and welcoming their new prep students. They are settling in very well and I look forward to seeing them make new friends, learn about new routines and watch them grow over this next year.

Our Year 1, 2 and 3 teachers have also been very hard at work. It is always an exciting time of year to see our student's transition to the next year level; they look so grown up, making new friends and engaging in lots of new fresh learning. As the year progresses, your teachers and I will endeavour to keep you informed in our fortnightly newsletter and on a Facebook page, about what is happening in our classes, as well as important dates such as excursions and events that are coming up each term. Junior Assembly for Years 1 & 2 will be held every fortnight starting this Friday 4th February. Parents/carers are more than welcome to come along, we love seeing you there and joining in. All Prep students will attend Parade at the beginning of Term 2. Please come and say hello if you see me out and about, I enjoy having a chat with you and your beautiful children.

Again welcome students and families to our wonder school community, and what will sure to be a fantastic term ahead!

Karen Herburg
HOD Early Years

From the Enrichment Centre . . .

A **big welcome** is extended to all students and parents for the start of another exciting school year.

The commencement of each school year offers opportunities for new beginnings and the strengthening of learning from previous years. We all know that from little things big things grow and each of our students has incredible potential within, to explore their own pathways and develop their own unique gifts and talents.

Caboolture East State School is a wonderful school and one of which we are very proud. This year, as does each year, will bring with it joys and challenges. We value the strong partnership between school and home, a partnership that enables us, together, to optimise the active engagement and enjoyment of each student in their learning.

It is important that we encourage each of our students to develop their talents and pursue their passions and to grow to be the very best they can be, explore new horizons and develop a curiosity about the world around them and find their place within it.

As Head of Special Education Services I will be working alongside case managers (SEP teachers) of the students through the school. Each case manager will support teachers in the differentiation of programs and support children in their class, as well as in small group teaching environments.

In addition, and in consultation with the class teacher and yourself, we will develop Individual Learning Plans and/or Individual Curriculum Plans for your child.

We welcome new and existing Teachers to the SEP program who will be supported by our fabulous and dedicated teacher aides who help ensure programs run smoothly:

	Teacher	Teacher Aide
Prep	Ms Lucy Gilbert	Mrs Kim Alves, Mrs Shirley Booth (Thurs)
Year 1	Ms Marell Nicholson	Mrs Janine Street
Year 2	Mrs Julianne Vandermeer	Mrs Pam Brunjes
Year 3	Mrs Jaffa Ho	Mrs Jenny Farnell, Mrs Shirley Booth (Fri)
Year 4	Mrs Sarah-Jayne Nakalevu	Mrs Rebecca Moana, Mrs Shirley Booth (Mon)
Year 5	Mrs Margaret Sherar	Mrs Alice Seeto
Year 6	Mrs Tracy Osborne	Mrs Karen Denman

We also welcome back Mrs Lisa Kingdom who will be our Auslan Language model assisting students with hearing impairment. .

Education Adjustment Profile: All students in Prep and students to be reviewed will go through the EAP process during the year. Parents will be given notification regarding this process and what is required.

Bus Zone: The drive-in behind the Enrichment Centre is a designated School Bus Zone, however a **2-minute** pick-up/drop off is permitted. This is strictly a no parking area. For the safety of our children it is imperative that parents follow these guidelines.

Update to Parent Contact Information: The office needs to be notified of any changes to your personal details immediately, so that prompt contact can be made in emergencies. Please let the office know if you have changed any contact details.

Medical Plans: If your child is on a medical plan (asthma, diabetes, or other medical conditions) this needs to be updated annually and signed by your doctor. **Medication forms also need to be updated at the start of each year.**

Absences: If your child is absent from school all parents are requested to notify the school so relevant class teachers and SEP teachers can be notified. Please phone the Absence Line on 54316160.

Lunch time play: During both breaks students can play in the Enrichment Centre. There are a range of activities, arts and crafts as well as the playground and sand pit. This area is supervised by SEP staff.

During the first few weeks, our aim will be to assist in the establishment of routines, providing structure and developing relationships with your child and their peer group.

Parent information night/afternoons will provide an opportunity to meet the class teacher and SEP teachers.

All parents are encouraged to attend these sessions, which will be held in the next few weeks. Our teachers are committed to providing a quality education for our students and ongoing contact with parents is encouraged.

I am looking forward to a rewarding and productive year managing the Special Education Program and enhancing the development of your child.

If you have any concerns regarding your child please don't hesitate to contact me on: 5431 6111 or email jheyw1@eq.edu.au.

– *Julietta*

SUN SAFE

As we move into Term 1 we would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the importance of your child having a hat. Adolescence and childhood are critical periods during which sun exposure is likely to contribute to skin cancer in later life. Schools have a duty of care to ensure that their students are protected against foreseeable harm. Sunburn and skin cancer are foreseeable outcomes of overexposure to the sun. It is for this reason that we have a firm Sun Safe Policy within the school to protect our students. An integral part of this policy requires students to wear a hat when outdoors. The school has a bucket hat with the school emblem embroidered on the front; this hat can be purchased from the tuckshop.

ACTIVE LEADERS

As we begin Term 1 our Active Leaders are preparing to move out into the playground to support our Junior School. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all our senior students who have been selected in the Active Leaders Program for 2016. This term the leaders will be broken into two groups. The first group will work in the playground till week 5. Towards the end of week 5 group two will assume responsibility for all activities. This year the Leaders will be supporting the Preps, Large Under Cover Area, Year 3 Fields, Junior Playground and the Small Under Covered Area. They have a big responsibility but I know their enthusiasm and desire to succeed will be the foundations for a fantastic 2016.

Caboolture East would like to welcome aboard a number of sporting teams and association who we will be supporting throughout 2016. These groups include

Caboolture Rugby Union Club



Morton Bay AFL Club



Rebels Netball Club



A number of these associations have sign on days coming up
Caboolture Rugby Union (Saturday February 6th).

Morton Bay AFL

Rebels Netball Club (Saturday February 6th).

If your child is interested in participating in a team sport in 2016 please do not hesitate to contact one of the above teams or associations.

CABOOLTURE EAST YOUTH GROUP

Commencing Friday 5/2/2016 6.30pm

Everyone Welcome

SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISOR POSITION



Applications for the above position are available from the

School Office. Applications Close 20th February, 2016.

CABOOLTURE EAST STATE SCHOOL

National Disability Insurance Scheme

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

This will be an introductory presentation covering topics such as:

- What is the NDIS?
- Who are the NDIA?
- Strengths and limitations of funding?
- The NDIS planning process
- Choice, control and Self-direction

When: Thursday 18 February

Time: 9am -11am

Where: Resource Building



RSVP: Mrs Heywood/Mrs Whitby (Enrichment Centre)