Week 3, Term 4, 2016

Principals’ News

I trust that both parents/carers and children enjoyed the extra day together on your long weekend. The teachers, teacher aides and I had a productive day working on a range of activities including digital technologies and developing our Whole School Balanced Reading Approach. I also hope that families had the opportunity to enjoy the Sky show and Townsville’s special 150th birthday celebrations over your long weekend.

ATTENDING PREP IS NOW COMPULSORY
From 2017 it will be compulsory for all Queensland children to undertake the Prep Year, prior to commencing Year 1. Since Prep started in 2007, there have been noticeable improvements to learning outcomes for those children who participate in Prep. Most Queensland parents already choose to enrol their child in Prep when they reach the Prep eligible age.

Making Prep compulsory ensures all children develop the knowledge and skills provided by the Prep Year. This knowledge forms the essential foundation for future learning. For more information on Prep enrolment please contact the Garbutt State School.

GARBUTT’S PREP OPEN DAY IS ON 3 NOVEMBER 9.00 am—11.00 am. If you have a child who is born between 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012, you will need to enrol them in Prep for 2017. Our teachers and support staff are looking forward to meeting you and your child at the Prep Open Day on 3 November. You are most welcome to come to the school earlier if you wish to enrol sooner or if you have any queries.

Every Prep age child will receive a sample bag of goodies at Prep Open Day!

NEWLY APPOINTED STAFF
I am delighted to advise that Julia Murphy will join us as a full time teacher in 2017. Julia has been our part time Special Education Teacher and will definitely be missed in that role. However it is a great bonus that Julia will now be able to work with more of our children every day of the week as a Class Teacher.

ATTENDANCE
There has been a worrying trend of decreasing attendance, for some children, over this term. It is so important that every student attends every day of the week. The Try for Five program is very important to us and we want to make sure all children are here not only for the rewards from programs like Try for Five, but because their ongoing academic and social development depends on good attendance.

XMAS CONCERT
Our Xmas concert will be held on December 8. I have been told it is an excellent event and look forward to seeing all of our families there.

Kind regards,
Kathy King
Principal.
### TERM 4 - 2016 Important Dates

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### Week 2 Behaviour and Learning Awards

Rawali Illin  Miracle Penningson  Charlee Parker  Tia Gizar  
Rodney Filifli  Fananilee Ishmail  Jade Molder

### Highest Attendance Week 2

Year 5/6 with 86%

![Image of students with stars]
**Unexplained Absences**

If your child is away from school, please return the blue/green or white slip or advise the office with a reason. Remember, that all unexplained absences are recorded on your child's report card. If we do not hear from you for long periods we are obligated under the education policy to send out truancy forms which may lead to fines and persecution.

Thank you for your assistance.

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**CHAPPY CHAT**

It's so easy to see when people are doing things wrong, but we all feel great when we are told we are doing a good job. This week, try to notice when people are doing something well, or having a go, and encourage them for it!

Chappy Kate

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**SCHOOL BEHAVIOUR FOCUS TERM 4**

FOCUS RULE – KEEP HANDS, FEET, OBJECTS & OPINIONS TO YOURSELF!

Student will be engaged in weekly lessons to remind them being ‘Responsible, Respectful and Safe’

Please discuss this with your child.

Kathy King - School Principal

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**REWARDS DAY INFO**

To be eligible students need 85% minimum attendance and no more than 1 major behaviour within a 5 week cycle.

Every Day Counts!!
Week 2 Learning/Behaviour Award recipients!

Wk 2 GOTCHA WINNERS with their prizes!!
**Prep4Prep**

**Is your child starting prep in 2017?**
The Prep4Prep program helps children and their families to get ready to start school. We provide quality early learning programs, delivered by trained educators, to introduce children and their families to their school setting, including the school routine, facilities, and the classroom environment. Starting school can be a challenging time for any family. Our aim is to ensure that this transition is seamless. Best of all, the program is run completely free of charge!

**Get ready for school**
Prep4Prep will be starting at Vincent and Garbutt State Schools in term 3. Please talk to your school, or call Save the Children on 4725 3353 to register your child now.

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For more information on how to access the Prep 4 Prep program please call 07 4725 3353.
Prep Enrolments Now Open

Is your child’s birthday between 1 July, 2011 and 30 June, 2012?

If so come to the Prep Open Day on 3 November at 9.00 am

at Garbutt State School

Call or drop in to:
Garbutt State School
76 Chandler Street
Garbutt Qld 4814
Telephone: (07) 4759 4888

Assistance obtaining birth certificates can be provided.

At our Open Day every child will receive a sample bag.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child.
Free Birth Certificate and Free Birth Registration for Aboriginal young people who are:

- preparing to attend pre-school
- preparing to attend primary school
- preparing to attend secondary school
- transitioning from school to the workforce
- transitioning from school to further education

A parent or carer of the young people applying is also eligible

For more information about applying and the ID requirements visit our website www.pathfinders.ngo
or contact Lyn
02 6788 2123 lynettew@pathfinders.ngo
GARBUTT STATE
SCHOOL TUCKSHOP
MENU

SANDWICHES
- VEGEMITE: 2.00
- HONEY: 2.00
- JAM: 2.00
- HAM: 3.00
- HAM & SALAD: 3.50
- EGG: 3.00
- EGG & LETTUCE: 3.50
- CURRIED EGG: 3.50
- CHICKEN: 4.00
- CHICKEN & SALAD: 4.50

WARM FISH SALAD: 5.00
HAM/CHICKEN SALAD: 5.00

HOT FOOD
- PARTY PACK (SMALL): 3.00
- 2X PARTY PIE 2X SAUSAGE ROLL: 4.00
- PARTY PACK (LARGE): 4.00
- 3X PARTY PIE, 3X SAUSAGE ROLL: 5.00
- HOMEMADE BBQ PIZZA: 4.00
- HOT DOG: 3.00
- NUGGETS: 3.00
- NUGGETS & WEDGES: 4.50
- CHICKEN BURGER: 4.50
- FISH BURGER: 4.50

SNACKS
- POPCORN: 0.80
- BOILED EGG: 0.80
- CORN COB: 0.80
- JELLY CUP: 0.80
- FROZEN MILK/ICEBLOCK

RANDOM STOCK: 1.50
SAO'S WITH VEGEMITE: 1.00
SAO'S WITH CHEESE: 1.00

DRINKS
- WATER: 1.00
- FRUIT POPPER: 1.50
- FLAVOURED MILK: 2.00

Tuckshop is available Wednesday and Friday for 1st break only.
2nd break items will be placed in the classroom fridge.
All payments and orders must be in before 9.30am.
Our school’s tuckshop is run by the P&C Association; all profit earned through the tuckshop goes to help our school’s students.
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Townsville JUNIORS

What:
- Touch Rugby League for Juniors
- Develops coordination, ball skills and social skills
- Great off-season fitness
- Emphasis on FUN!

When & Where
- Tuesday Nights
- 9 Week Season
- Townsville Junior RLFC
- Starts October 11

Ages
- U7s to U15s

How Much?
- Only $85 for 9 games!

Contact
- Scott Naughton: 4724 4550
  admin@trltownsville.com.au

No Tackles, No Scrum – Safe and Fun!

WWW.TRLTOWNSVILLE.COM.AU
Get Involved!

TOWNS VILLAINS ROLLER DERBY

PLAY
Get fit, make friends and have a blast! Start skating with Towns Villains Roller Derby Team now! All levels welcome.

HELP
Don’t want to play, but still keen to get involved? Why not join us as a Referee or non skating official. It’s fun!
Like our Facebook page and stay up to date on all our events.

JOIN
Message us on Facebook
Or Email
townsvillainsrollerderby@hotmail.com
Or Call
0459 417 779 for more information

KIDS CAN PLAY TOO!
“Tiny Tempers”
Junior Derby
Boys and girls 6-17 years

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