FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Enrolments: Our enrolment numbers as of Friday 22nd July are 760 from Prep to Year 6. We have 179 students in our Intensive English Language Centre and 94 in Prep.

Annual Parent / Carer Opinion Survey: The Annual School Opinion Survey was conducted from 11th to 29th July 2016. All families, school staff and a random sample of students were invited to participate. I thank all respondents who took this opportunity to have their say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve. The data gained from these surveys will be used in the writing of our next four year Strategic Plan and our next Annual Operational Plan for 2017. Our School Annual Report for 2016 will have this data published enclosed as well.

Student Attendance and Notification of Absences: As mentioned in the previous newsletter, our school is moving like all other State Schools to a new “same day” notification of attendance program where students’ carers or parents will need to contact the school on the day, if their child is to be away from school. At 9:00 o’clock, rolls are marked and if students are away, without explanation, parent / carers will be notified. It is really important that the school has an up-to-date record of contact – current, correct telephone number to use to talk to a carer / or parent. We urge all families to make sure we have your correct number on computer at school at all times. Thank you for your co-operation with this important change.

Facilities News: Our staff car park is in use. Parents and students are not permitted to walk or drive in this area. Long term staff parking is available for staff in this new area. Thank you everyone for your co-operation with this project. The facilities team had a start-up meeting on Friday to commence the school perimeter fencing project. This project will provide new high metal fencing around our school by the end of the year. It is planned that the work on the fencing project will be in full production from mid- August. Students are reminded to keep clear of any works occurring in the school for their safety.

We are in the design stage of enclosing the area at the Oval end of G Block near Wembley Road to provide more classroom and activity spaces. A covered play/ outdoor activity space is also to be provided between G and F Blocks.

Reporting to Parents and Caregivers: It is a pleasure to invite parents and caregivers to school next week to discuss their children’s achievements from Semester 1 and to plan for the coming work in Terms 3 & 4 (Semester2). Our teachers will talk through the students’ reports and share ideas at the Parent / Teacher conferences organised with Parents and caregivers next week after school or at other mutually agreed times. Please contact your child’s teacher if you would like further information.

Show Holiday: A reminder that our Exhibition Show Holiday is on Monday 8th August when the school will be closed. We will be opened for learning for the remaining days of that week.

District Athletics Representative: Congratulations to all our athletes who went off to the Logan District’s athletics Carnival on Wednesday and Thursday. Our boys and girls represented our school with distinction. We were very proud of their behaviour and efforts. Well done to those students who will progress on to the next level of regional competition.

Best wishes for a rewarding fortnight ahead and remember our school behaviour rhyme with your children:
I am a learner every day;
I am safe, caring and respectful;
It’s the Woodridge Way.
Garry Molloy – Principal

MOBILITY SUPPORT TEACHER MESSAGE

NAIDOC Day Parade and Celebrations 2016

Looking forward to all performances that staff and students have been preparing for the day. All welcome.

When: Friday 5 August
Start time: 8.45-9.45am Years 4-6
9.45-10.45am Prep – Year 3
Where: Woodridge State School Hall
Cnr Wembley Road and Railway Parade, Woodridge
Guest Speaker: Commissioner Tammy Williams

GANJUU & SMITH FAMILY HOMEWORK CENTRE

The homework centre is on every Monday in the Resource Centre, from 2:45pm to 3:45pm.

Our school attendance target is 95%. Our whole school attendance percentage year to date is at 92.8%.
Term 3 whole school attendance percentage is at 93.4%.
Thank you for all your support with the Every Day Counts message. Please make contact with the school if your child is away.

Attendance Data

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Junior Sports Day

Our Junior Sports Day Prep to Year 3 will be held on Thursday 1st September. Class Teachers will confirm your students colour for the day.

P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop
Uniform Shop opening hours are **Tuesday and Friday only 7:45 to 8:45**. A full range of winter uniforms are available in all sizes from 4 to 16.
- Zipper fleecy Jackets $22 (Royal)
- Fleecy V Neck Jumper $20 (Royal)
- Fleecy Track pants $20 (Navy)

Uniform Shop is CASH ONLY no cards excepted
**PLEASE NOTE:** TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST ONLY the uniform shop will be open from 7:30am to 8:30am.
I need to change the hours this day only owing to a prior commitment.

P&C Meeting
Next P&C meeting is on Monday 15th August at 1:45pm in the Hub. (The Blue/Grey building in the school grounds near the corner of Railway Parade and Flinders St) Everyone is welcome to attend.

**IMPORTANT DATES!**

2/8/16 Tuesday - ILC H, J, K Planetarium Excursion
5/8/16 Friday - NAIDOC Parade
8/8/16 Monday - Show Holiday
11/8/16 Thursday - Years 4 & 5 NRL Touch WSHS
19/8/16 Friday - Prep Expo
1/9/16 Thursday - Junior Sports Day
5/9/16 Monday - Fathers Day Parade
16/9/16 Friday - Spring Fair

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data
Australian, State and Territory governments have agreed on a new approach to monitor the level of support needed by and given to each Student with a disability, as defined by the Disability Discrimination Act. This data will be submitted on the 5th of August by the School’s Principal. If you do not wish for your child to be counted in this data, please notify the School that you wish to “opt out” before this date.

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

The Tuckshop is offering two new menu items in Term 3, as our Winter Special. Choose from either Sweet and Sour Chicken or Spaghetti Bolognaise for just $3.00 each. Also, look out for your Sports Day order form. Orders are due back by Monday 29th August.

**Chappy News**

**Student Wellbeing Centre**
Friendly reminder the Student Wellbeing Centre is open lunchtimes on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Below are the days each year level can attend.
Monday grades 1 - 2
Tuesday grades 3 - 4
Wednesday grades 5 - 6

**Camps**
Interested in student camps on the holidays then check out www.sucamps.org.au for the perfect one!

**Chappy Connect**
If you’d like to contact me you can send me an email at melindag@chappy.org.au or call Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday during school hours on 3440 2333. You can also leave a note in the Chappy letter box outside my office in the Student Wellbeing Centre. Chappy Mel