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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

A warm welcome to the new term for all families. I hope each of you has enjoyed the holidays and the change to your usual routine and are now refreshed and ready for what will be a busy Term 4.

Term 4 will see our students fully engaged in the teaching and learning of their respective units, in each learning area. The work that students undertake on a daily basis, however small it may be, collectively contributes significantly towards the overall growth and development of our students. Attending school every day boosts the achievement of every student.

Our focus on teaching and learning is our central focus. While teachers are responsible for managing their class positively and engaging students to produce their best, it is essential that students are giving of themselves, demonstrating positive learning behaviours, to contribute towards doing their own individual best and supporting the general learning of their classmates. Each student will receive a report card at the end of this term.

Assessment takes place on a continuing basis throughout the term. Full attendance will ensure that every student is maximising his/her chance of achieving their highest possible standard in all areas of the curriculum.

This term is the final term for our Year 6 students before they head off to continue their learning at secondary school. I challenge every Year 6 student to give their best in every sense, this term. Positive behaviour and a genuine effort to achieve your highest academically, will ensure your final days at primary school are enjoyable and that you leave Yugumbir well prepared for the continuing learning journey and the challenges you will face in secondary school.

Pupil Free Day

Parents and students are advised that Monday 17th October is a pupil free day. This is the case in every state school across the state.

On this day, our teachers and teacher aides will be engaged in two very critical programs. Those from Prep to Year 2 will be re-introduced to “Letterland”, a phonics program that we have decided will be explicitly taught in every classroom across these year levels in 2017. The effective implementation of this program will boost the Early Years language learning of all students, providing every student with a sound base upon which to build their language development.

Year 3 to 6 teachers and aides will be introduced to the school’s new focus on the teaching of writing. This new program will be fully implemented in 2017. It will encompass a focus on clear content appropriate for each year level, explicitly taught in a consistent manner across every classroom. Central to the program will be the teaching of specific skills of writing and processes to support student experimentation, practice and mastery of these skills.

These two initiatives are important aspects of our development plan for next year. It is advantageous to make best use of this pupil free day.
Numeracy and Literacy Assessments
Year 1 to 6 students have undertaken the Pat M (Mathematics) before holidays. The results of this assessment are now being collated and analysed. In the first few weeks of the new term, students will undertake the Pat R (Reading) assessments. These assessments are external assessments, provided by ACER (Australian Council of Educational Research) at a cost to the school, not to students. This year, the tests are conducted online, a first at our school. Careful planning has been taken to ensure access is provided to all students. The Pat Assessments are a positive reference for teachers, in identifying students’ strengths and weaknesses and guide adjustments to our programs to maximise the learning for all students.

“TALK ABOUT IT” Program
This week the Year 6 students will have the opportunity to commence their participation in a 3 week program conducted by Life Education Queensland called “Talk About It”. The program focuses on the changes associated with puberty and the laying of foundation for healthy relationships now and in the future. Puberty is different for every child. For some it will start early and for others it will be much later. Educating students on the common changes associated with puberty helps them to understand what to expect physically, socially and emotionally. This program focuses on building strengths in children to enhance their own and other’s health. Our students benefit from this strengths based approach to sexual health as they:

- Develop a strong sense of identity
- Have a strong sense of wellbeing
- Connect to the world around them in a valuable and meaningful way
- Are confident and engaged learners
- Are effective communicators

All this leads to adopting healthier behaviour and emotional development throughout puberty, adolescence and into adulthood.

Student Absences
Parents are reminded of the requirement to advise the school of every absence. Our goal is to ensure every child is accounted for every day. Parents are strongly encouraged to advise the school of their child’s absence before/on the day of an absence by:

- emailing absent@yugumbirss.eq.edu.au
- calling the absence line Ph 3380 0360

The parent of a child whose absence is unexplained on any given day, will receive a text at approximately 10am, advising of the absence and requesting a reason for the absence. Parents are strongly encouraged to respond to this text as soon as is possible. Your co-operation with this issue is strongly supported. As well as ensuring our students are in full attendance, this process ensures the safety of every child, every day. By working together as a community, we can ensure our students are accounted for, every day.

Mick Quinn
Principal
ICAS English Competition 2016

Students from Yugumbir State School achieved outstanding results when they participated in the Englishs ICAS Competitions this year. Those students whose achievements were outstanding were rewarded with Certificated of Merit, Credit and Distinction.

Our Spelling results were:

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Curriculum News

Book Week Celebrating 70 Years!
(August 20-26 2016)

Theme: Australia! Story Country

Yugumbir State School will celebrate Book Week on
Monday 10th to Friday 14th October
(Week 2 Term 4)
In conjunction with Book Fair

• Classroom Door Decorating
• Dress-Up as Favourite Book Character Parades
  Year 3-6 @ 9am Friday 14th October
  Year Prep-2 @ 10am Friday 14th October

Annelie Schulz
Head of Curriculum
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Please find the following information for your convenience.

- Tuesday - Year 6 Senior Band rehearsals continue (7.30am)
- Thursday - Year 5 Intermediate Band rehearsals continue (7.30am)
- Friday - Year 4 Junior Band rehearsals continue (7.45am).

MUSIC SHIRTS

All students have now received their music shirts. If however your child has grown out of their current shirt, the music department has plenty of stock and once payment is made to the cash window a new shirt will be allocated to you.

MUSIC UNIFORMS

It is now the time to make sure that your child has the correct black shoes, black socks and full length black trousers to be worn with the music shirt for all the events that are happening in Term 4.

MUSIC PHOTOS

All music ensembles will have their photo taken on Wednesday October 12. This is in Week 2 of Term 4. More details to follow.

INSTRUMENTAL PARENT INFORMATION AFTERNOON-YEAR 3

October 19 is the date set aside for Yugumbir’s Instrumental Parent Information Afternoon. This is for parents of any year 3 students interested in joining the Instrumental Music program in 2017. It will be held in the music room at 3.30pm. Children have been tested and will soon be allocated suitable instruments. Music shops will be in attendance and music staff will be there to answer any questions or concerns.

DATE CLAIMER - BRISBANE SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL

Our 3 bands will be competing in the Brisbane Schools Music Festival on the weekend of October 22. This is held at Centenary SHS annually. Individual notes for each band, have been sent home today with your child.

END OF YEAR CONCERT

The music department’s end of year concert will be held on Monday evening November 28 in our school’s hall. All welcome.

BAND DATES TO REMEMBER:-

- **Wednesday 12 October** – Music Photos (All Groups)
- **Wednesday 19 October** - Year 3 Parent Information afternoon - Instrumental Music
- **Saturday 22 October** – BSMF – All Bands
- **Monday 28 November** – All Bands, Choir – End of Year Concert.

Student of the Week – 3HW

- **Paul R** – Working harder in all learning areas.
- **Jaxon H** – Working carefully, and taking his time, when completing the measurement assessment.
- **Charlee W** – Working carefully, and taking her time, when completing the measurement assessment.

Reminder: Music & Year 6 Photos

**Wednesday 12th October**
Commencing at 9.00am

Year 6 Students – Please wear your Senior Shirt
Band Members - Please wear your band uniform.  
(No instruments required).
FINANCE NEWS

School Bank Account Details:
Yugumbir State School General Account
BSB: 064 159
Account No. 00090333

Current Activity Codes and Closing Dates:

Yr 3 Camp – House of Happiness  3HOU
Due: 7/10/16
Yr 6 Camp - Somerset  Yr6CAMP
Due: 31/10/16
Yr 6 “Talk About It”  TALK
Due: 05/10/16
Yr 6 Wet’n Wild  * YR6WNW
* No refund available for this excursion, due to pre-booking of tickets. *
* Please contact office prior to payment, to check if you are eligible for any refunds from previous excursions/sport.
* Please advise if using Annual Theme Park Passes for this excursion.
Due: 26/10/2016
Yr 4 “Living History Aust”  Yr4HIST
Due: 19/10/16
Yr 2 Beenleigh Historical Village  YR2BH
Due: 19/10/16
Yr 1 “The 3 Stories”  * YY1PERF
* No refund available for this excursion, due to pre-booking of tickets. *
Due: 19/10/2016

TIMETABLE for Year 6
LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAM

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Dates for Your Calendar

4 Oct 1st day Term 4
6, 10,13 & 20 Oct Yr6 “Talk About It” Sessions
6, 13 & 20 October Yr3 Swimming Lessons
12 October Year 6 & Band Photos
14 October Book Week Dress Up Day
17 October Student Free Day
19 October Yr3 Information Afternoon (Instrumental Music)
19 October Yr 2 Beenleigh Historical Village
20 October Yr 2 Beenleigh Historical Village
22 October BSMF
24-26 October Yr3 Camp 3RB & 3KD
26-28 October Yr3 Camp 3CG, 3HW
31 Oct – 2 Nov Yr 3 Camp 3TJ, 3JB, 3SW
3 November Yr 4 “Living History Aust” Incursion
3, 10 & 17 November Yr3 Swimming Lessons
15-18 November Yr6 Camp 6GS, 6JC, 6JH
21 November Yr1 “The 3 Stories”
22-25 November Yr6 Camp 6MM, 6MS, 6RH
28 November End of Year Concert
31 December Yr 6 Wet’n Wild
10 Dec - 23 Jan 17 Summer Break

YEAR 6 “TALK ABOUT IT”
Parent Information Session

If you wish to attend, please complete the form below and return it to the office.

Thank you.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Year 6 – School Hall
When: Thursday 6th October
Time: 8.30am to 9.15am

☐ Yes, I can attend.
☐ Unfortunately, I cannot attend.

Parent Name: ____________________________
Student Name: ___________________ Class: 6_____

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Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure inside and outside of school has real and long-lasting benefits. It unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here’s what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

Set the example. Let children see you read.
Have a collection of books in the home. Update this collection routinely to keep pace with changing tastes and reading skills.
Support our school’s Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings to school the books kids want to read. It’s a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child’s reading habits.

Book Fair dates: 20–31 October 2016
Shopping hours: 8:00am – 3:45pm
Special activities: Colouring competition (1 prize per grade)

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair!
Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Sincerely,

Mrs Wiedman & Ms Miller
Library Staff

Air Wills
Deputy Principal
Swooping Magpies

Between July and November, magpies defend their young from threats.

Some magpies see us as threats—and they swoop. If you know what to do when a magpie swoops, you can stay safe and let these birds raise their young.

Safety tips

Mark July on your calendar
As a reminder that magpies will soon be breeding and that you must watch out for them.

Get to know where magpies breed in your area
Go to www.ehp.qld.gov.au and print out a warning sign to let others know of the swooper.

Watch out for baby magpies
When they leave the nest, the parents stop swooping. Magpies only swoop for around six to eight weeks from when the eggs are laid until the young leave the nest. If there are young in the nest, it should only be a few days before they leave and the swooping stops.

When a magpie becomes dangerous
If a magpie that is defending its nest becomes aggressive and a risk to human safety, the magpie may be removed.

Contact your local council, the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection or a licensed bird relocator in the Yellow Pages.

Avoid the zone
Magpies breed in spring. Avoid an area of 150 metres around a nest. If you must go near the nest of a swooper:

- Wear a hat and sunglasses or hold a school bag or umbrella over your head.
- Some magpies only swoop at cyclists. If you get off your bike and walk, the magpie should leave you alone.
- "Spike up" your bike helmet with a few cable ties to scare magpies away.
- Magpies are less likely to swoop if you walk in a group. Team up with others if you walk through a nesting area.
- Watch magpies. If they know they're being watched they are less likely to swoop.
- Don't fight back. Throwing sticks at a magpie will only make it more defensive next time.
- Never approach a young magpie that's out of the nest. The parents may think you're trying to harm it. Rescuing baby magpies is best left for wildlife rescue groups to carry out after dark.

Further information
Visit www.ehp.qld.gov.au or phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68).
FUN@ The
Browns Plains Blue Light Disco
Fri 7th Oct

Logan West Community Centre
Wineglass Drive - Hillcrest
6.30pm - 8.30pm
Ages 6 - 14
$5.00 entry - no pass out’s
Full Police supervision - Cloak room - Canteen

WWW.BLUELIGHTDISCO.COM
Dear Parents

Has your child had a free healthy mouth check-up this year?

Metro South Oral Health is committed to improving the oral health of our children.

Simply call 1300 300 850, Tue-Fri 7:30-4:00pm to arrange a free dental appointment.

Our dental clinics are open over the school holidays so call to arrange a dental appointment today.

1300 300 850

For more information, visit www.health.qld.gov.au/metrosouth/oralhealth

Great state. Great opportunity.
EAT WELL ON A BUDGET

At this fun and practical 2 hour workshop presented by Home Economist, Professional Organiser Louise D’Allura you’ll discover:

- How to meal plan
- How to map out your food budget and make the most of your food dollar
- Simple tips to help you with shopping and cooking on a budget.

When and Where (pick one option):

Saturday, 10 September 2016
1pm - 3pm
Logan North Library
Cnr Sports Drive and Springwood Rd Underwood

Friday, 7 October 2016
9:30am - 11:30am
Logan Hyperdome Library
66-70 Mander Street, Slatter Park

Cost: FREE
Bring: Notebook, pen and water

Register online for this free event:
www.MealPlanningYourWay.com/events

Contact: Louise D’Allura on 0408 723 559