Deputy Principal’s Note

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy)
NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN tests are not pass/fail tests. NAPLAN tests provide very valuable information, but there are no consequences for individual students for poor or good performance. At the classroom level it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress.

Please contact myself if you do not want your child to participate in the NAPLAN tests.

The NAPLAN program is as follows:

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Preparation for NAPLAN:

- Ensure a good night’s sleep prior to testing days
- Ensure a good breakfast on testing day
- Support students by encouraging them to:
  - do their best
  - answer ALL questions, even if they are unsure of their answer, give it a try
  - take time to re-read questions and answers

Remind students that they will each be required to complete the assessments without any assistance.

School Review
Our school is scheduled for a school review next week—4 to 6 May.

ANZAC Day
Our school leaders Barnabas Juhasz, Indigo Wedel, Ashton Pratchett, Lilly Penney, Dakota Gallego and Bryden Gethches with Chappy Ros Parker, P&C Rep Tanya Doyle, Captain Moroney and our Principal Lt Col Jan Cooper at our school ceremony last week.

Yours in Education

Kerry Finn
Deputy Principal
**OFFICE OPENING TIMES**

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**PAYMENTS FOR 2016**

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*BP = BPoint  * DD = Direct Debit  * CCW = Cash Collection Window

**EVENTS/ACTIVITIES PAYMENT METHODS**

BPOINT is our PREFERRED payment method for invoices that are issued.

As contributions and prep craft payments are voluntary, we cannot issue invoices, so payment will still need to be by:

- **Direct debit** to our bank account:
  - BSB: 064823  Account: 10263935
  - Use child’s surname, initial and activity reference details;
  - Process at least 5 days before the closing date
- **Cash or cheque** payments at the Cash Collection window at school up to and including the closing date.
- **Credit Card payments** - minimum payment is $10.00 and can be paid at Cash Collection Window, by payment envelope, or over the phone.

**APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR A:**

**DEFENCE SCHOOL TRANSITION AIDE**

**10 hrs per week**

The Defence School Transition Aide will provide information and support and develop a range of activities for dependants of Defence members and families to ease the impact of mobility and service related parental absence.

The school is seeking an applicant who is self-motivated and directed, with excellent communication skills. A Positive Notice Blue Card for Child-Related Employment is essential.

Interested applicants are invited to submit an application to the Deputy Principal by addressing the selection criteria and providing a CV with two current referees.

The Role Description and Selection Criteria are available from Annandale State School Admin Reception.

Applications should be addressed to:

Mrs Kerry Finn
Deputy Principal
Annandale State School
Cnr Oleander Street and Yolanda Drive
Annandale Qld 4814

Email: kfinn30@eq.edu.au
Applications close: Friday 13 May 4pm

**You Can Do It!**

The framework of Annandale State School’s Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students

- **Confidence:** Means trying something new and not being afraid of making mistakes.
- **Persistence:** Means sticking to work that seems very hard or impossible to do and not giving up.
- **Getting Along:** Means helping others with their school work, working nicely in small groups, and managing your temper when someone is mean to you or doesn’t do what you want.
- **Resilience:** Means you are good at staying calm (you don’t get nervous, down or angry), calming down when you get upset and bouncing back to do your work and play with others.
- **Organisation:** Means having all your school supplies with you at school and home, placing your past work into folders with dividers, having the goal to be successful and do your personal best, planning your time so that you do not rush your work.

**PERSISTENCE**

In our school we show persistence by not giving up when the situation is difficult.

I have the right to concentrate on achieving my goals without distraction.

I am persistent by:

- continuing even when it is hard.
- not being distracted.
- completing tasks on time.

**MUSIC NOTES ♫♪♫♪#**

Fanfare

This year the Annandale String Orchestra and Concert Band will be participating in Fanfare, a biannual state-wide music festival of bands and orchestras from Queensland state schools. This event will take place on Saturday morning the 21st of May at Sir George Kneipp Auditorium, JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY. Please arrive on time for all rehearsals in the lead up to this event.

Junior Choir Rehearsal is not on this week as Year 4’s are on camp.

ANZAC Day Ceremony

Well done to the choirs and concert band for their performances at our school ceremony.

Ann Marie Hancock
Music Teacher
**SPORTS TALK**

**YOUNG ATHLETES TRAVEL SUBSIDY**
This scheme provides financial assistance for eligible young players to travel to specific state, national and international events.

Athletes and officials can apply for the following subsidies after they have competed or officiated at an event and within six months of participating:

- state or state-based school event - $200
- national or national school event - $400
- international event - $600.

Eligibility criteria and limits to applications apply and can be found on the following website: [www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/athletes/yats/](http://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/athletes/yats/). If you want further information please ask Mr Hull.

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**DEFENCE NEWS**

**Defence Parents/Carers Morning tea.**
The next morning tea will be held in May (week 6). It is a great opportunity to meet new people and keep up to date with school and community information. Morning tea is provided and we have toys for young children. We look forward to seeing you on:

- **When:** Thursday 19 May 2016
- **Where:** Defence room- J Block (near “The Shed”)
- **Time:** 8:50-10:30am

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**FUNDRAISING NEWS**

**FUN RUN**
A massive THANK YOU to everyone for such a fantastic day. We hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did. We will announce our Highest Fundraising Classes and Students once we have finished correlating forms, money and prizes.

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**P&C NEWS**

**P&C Casual Uniform Shop Assistant**
A paid casual position for a Uniform Shop Assistant with the P&C has become available. Application packs (including position description) available at the school office or email pandc@annandaless.eq.edu.au. Applications close by 3pm Friday 6th May.

**Seeking Executive Position - Treasurer**
The P&C is seeking nominations for the volunteer executive position of Treasurer. This important position is supported by the P&C Executive Team and the P&C Book Keeper. Email pandc@annandaless.eq.edu.au for more information.

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

**MENU CORRECTIONS**
Please note that there are a couple of errors and omissions on the new menu.

- **Grain Wave Chips correct Price $1.50** (not 50 cents)
- **Fried Rice $3.50** - is still on the menu - yummy

Sorry for the inconvenience

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**PARKING ISSUES**

**Parking Issues**
Are you parking Safely? Legally? Courteously?
Parents please consider our neighbours when you park in the morning or afternoon to drop off or pick up your children. We endeavor to maintain good neighborhood relations and we need your help and cooperation to do this. Please follow the road rules and park legally with due care and respect for our local residents. Parking on the footpath or across a driveway or double parking in the pick-up area is neither legal nor courteous and endangers the lives of our children.

Safe parking keeps our children safe.
**CENSUS POSITIONS**

**AVAILABLE IN YOUR ELECTORATE MUNDINGBURRA**

The Australian Bureau of Statistics will soon be looking for motivated and community spirited Australians from all types of backgrounds who want to make a contribution to their community.

Up to 38,000 Field Officers will be needed across the country to deliver and collect paper forms as well as follow up households who haven’t completed their Census form.

**Applications for Field Officer Positions open on 2 May 2016.**

Field Officers need to have access to, and be comfortable using, a home-based computer and vehicle, have strong communication skills and know their community well.

Applicants must also be an Australian citizen or hold the legal right to work in Australia.

Working hours will be flexible and on-the-job training will be provided to all successful applicants.

Field Officers will earn up to $21.61 per hour (inclusive of 25 per cent loading). Incidental and motor vehicle allowances are also paid. Field Officers will be employed from communities across Australia, creating local jobs for local people.

In most urban areas, where Census materials will be mailed to households, Field Officers will be required from 11 August to 30 September 2016.

In rural areas, where Census material will be hand delivered to households, Field Officers will be required from 14 July to 30 September 2016.

**MORE INFORMATION**

For more information or to apply for a Field Officer position, visit www.abs.gov.au/careers

**Term** | **Queensland School Term Dates 2016**
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2 | Monday 11 April—Friday 24 June
3 | Monday 11 July—Friday 16 September
4 | Tuesday 4 October—Friday 9 December