Dear Parents and Carers

High school open days smooth the way
It's an exciting time for both our Year 6 students who will move to high school in 2016.

No matter where your child will attend high school, taking part in open events, information evenings and orientation or taster days is an important step toward a smooth transition between primary and secondary education.

Term 4 is normally the time that high schools open their classrooms to incoming students, so be sure to check with your chosen high school about upcoming opportunities for you and your child to tour the facilities and meet the teachers.

We will continue to work closely with our local high school—William Ross SHS—to support students to make a smooth transition.

Transition Days this term:
• Year 6 students will have their transition days to WRSHS on Wednesday 2 and Thursday 3 December.

2016 Laptop Teachers
The teachers for our Year 5 and Year 6 Laptop classes are as follows:
Year 5—Ms Feldman
Year 6—Mr Hicks

2016 Year 5—1 to 1 Laptop
Year 4 students who have nominated for the 2016 Year 5, 1 to 1 Laptop class have completed their practical computer test and written computer test over the past 2 weeks. All students will be notified next Monday 26 October if they have been successful in being accepted into the laptop class.

2015 Year 5 T-Shirt logo competition
Year 5 students have been encouraged to participate in the annual T-Shirt logo competition. Year 5 students design the logo for their 2016 Year 6 shirt. Competition closes Friday 6 November.

Police Liaison Officers Faysal Bulle and Gaby Foster awarded Barnabas Juhasz his High Distinction in the ICAS English Test. Barnabas has received three high distinctions this year for Digital Technologies, Science and English. Congratulations Barnabas on your excellent results.

Yours in education

Kerry Finn
Deputy Principal
EVENTS/ACTIVITIES PAYMENTS

BPOINT is a new secure card payment collection portal through Commonwealth Bank and is our NEW PREFERRED payment method.

You can make payments on school invoices from your home and office or from your smartphones. Receipts are sent back to you via email. BPOINT can be used for full, half and part payments, as well as payment on invoices and statements. 

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.

Payments by cash, cheque, credit card can be made at the cash collection window in the administration building from 8.15-9.00 am or 2.15-2.45 pm Monday to Friday.

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**EVENT** | **Ref Code** | **Closing Date:** | **Cost**
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All year levels-Voluntary Contribution-2016 | 16CONTR | 2016 | $50
Prep Craft - 2016 | 16CRAFT | 2016 | $30
2016 Diary | 16DIARY | 2016 | $10
Yr 5 Camp Deposit (Non Refundable) | CAMP | “BP & DD - 23 Oct” | $75
Yr 5 Camp Final Payment (Total payment $275.00) | CAMP | “BP & DD - 13 Nov” | $200
Yr 4 - My Mini Music Book 2016 | 16MUS | 2016 | $7
Swimming Yr 2 & Yr 3 | 2 or 3 | “BP & DD 28 Oct” | $60

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

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**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.

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**“You can do it!” Award winners**

Each student receives a reward sponsored by Rock Paper Scissors.

There are many students who demonstrate the keys to success every week. The names of these students were drawn out on the school assembly.

Will your name appear here soon?

Well done to all that have received a YCDI ticket.

Our boxes have been full lately which means that lots of you are doing the right thing.

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**TEN DAY TEASER Number 10**

Word Ladder

A word ladder is a sequence of words formed by changing just one letter in each word at a time e.g.

CAT - COT - DOT - DOG.

Can you change CHASE into CATCH by finding the missing words in this ladder?

Use the clues at the side if you get stuck.

Record your answer on an Answer sheet from the Library and place it in the Ten Day Teaser box. Answers must be submitted by Friday 30 October at 3:15pm. Winner will be drawn at second break in the Library on Monday 2 November.

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**Annandale State School QR Code**

By using this QR code with your QR reader on your personal device you may get quick access to our school website.

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**DEFENCE NEWS**

Have you received a Posting Order?

A letter has gone home recently to families enquiring if you will be posted away from Townsville at the end of the year. Please let us know if you will be moving as we have programs and plans in place to support children when they leave our school. Please contact us if we can help in any way as you plan for an upcoming move.

Tanya Hurditch & Karen Mitchell
Defence School Transition Aides
J Block - next to “the basketball courts”
thurd2@eq.edu.au and kmitc181@eq.edu.au

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**Mr McKay**

AKA “The Quizmaster”
P & C NEWS

The P&C is:

- a place to ask questions of things you do not understand
- A place to share decision making involving the whole school community
- A forum to present new ideas and see old ideas from a different angle
- A way to assist to improve facilities around the school

MUSIC NOTES ♫♪♫♪#

Celebration of Strings

“Last week I was given the opportunity to attend the AUSTA string fest. I was part of the Cecilia group and I attended two practises to learn some pieces which on Friday night we performed at the RSL stadium in front of our friends and family. A highlight of the night was when everyone got together to play a part in Pharrell Williams ‘Happy’ at the end of the concert.”  Lilly Penney

Instrumental Recruitment Night – Thursday, 5 November

Parents if your student is very interested in learning a brass, woodwind or violin instrument and wants to commit to Annandale State School’s music program which includes playing in an orchestra or the band then please come along to our annual recruitment night from 6pm.

Instrumental students receive 30 minutes of tuition in small groups during class time. Students need to practice at least 15 – 30 minutes daily and must attend band or orchestra rehearsals before school.

Instrumental students perform at various events such as Fanfare, Eisteddfod, Band or String Workshops, Christmas Highlights concert, perform a short concert to showcase their skills to lower grades & some Year 6 students perform for their graduation.

The cost to join Annandale State School music program is $40 plus consumables and instrumental hire is $40.

Music Assessment tasks – to be practiced either at school in lunch hour or at home

Year 6 – playing & singing Liza Jane on keyboard & written tasks
Year 5 – recorder work & written tasks
Year 4 – playing Let us Chase the Squirrel on the recorder
Year 3 – Singing and writing the rhythm of the song Dinah
Year 2 – Singing Lucy Locket with Ostinato and written tasks
Year 1 – Singing and playing the rhythm of Naughty Pussy Cat

Music students of week 2 - For demonstrating musical skills, participation, courage & enthusiasm in music.

Year 6
Ryan Laws 6G1
Jordan McAdam 6F4

Year 4
Max Fletcher 4D1
Tomas Mitchell 4D1
Denby O’Keefe 4D2
Lewis Baddeley 4E3

Well done students and keep up the great work.

Karen O’Donnell
Music Coordinator

BOOKPACKS FOR 2016

Bookpack Orders will close Friday 6/11/15. Have you purchased yours?
You can order online at ouronlinecanteen.com.au or via the Uniform shop on a Friday morning.

Prices are:
- Prep - $169
- Year 1 - $146
- Year 2 - $161
- Year 3 - $176
- Year 4 - $143
- Year 5 - $105
- Year 5 Laptop - $78
- Year 6 - $130
- Year 6 Laptop - $74

New this year.
Home Delivery
You can also have the option for home delivery which is an additional $13.50

Win
Also, if you place your order online, one lucky person will have the total cost of their bookpack refunded back to them as a reward for using the online ordering.

Orders will be available for pick up the last 2 weeks of term 4.

Keith Wilson
P&C President

FUNDRAISING NEWS

RAFFLE

Just a reminder that tickets sold or unsold for the Gold Coast Holiday Raffle are due back to your class Teacher tomorrow FRIDAY 23rd. Winners will be drawn Friday 13th November at the SHED 2.30pm.

Syahn Farr & Rebecca Murdoch
Fundraising Coordinators

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Keith Wilson
P&C President
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