**Deputy Principal’s Note**

**Day For Daniel**

Friday 31 October is *Day for Daniel*. The *Day for Daniel* is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of child safety, protection and harm prevention.

It is about educating children and adults about keeping kids safe through child safety and protection initiatives. It aims to help empower our children to ‘Recognise, React and Report’ if they feel something is not right.

*Wear Red and Educate* is the theme for *Day for Daniel*. We are encouraging all students at Annandale to participate next Friday and wear red. The police will be talking to students on both the Junior (Thursday) and Senior Assembly (Friday) during this week.

**High school open days smooth the way**

It’s an exciting time for both our Year 6 and Year 7 students who will move to high school in 2015. 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 7 students moving to WRSHS will be on Tuesday 2 December and Thursday 4 December.
- Year 6 students will have their final transition day to WRSHS on Wednesday 3 December.

**SMS Texts for Absences**

SMS texts are sent out each day after 9:30am (after the school rolls have been marked) to alert parents to the fact that their child is not at school. Parents have the ability to reply by text to update our records on why your child is not at school.

**2015 Year 5—1 to 1 Laptop**

Year 4 students who have nominated for the 2015 *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 27 October if they have been successful in being accepted into the laptop class.

**2015 Year 6 T-Shirt logo competition**

Year 5 students have been encouraged to participate in the annual T-Shirt logo competition. Year 5 student design the logo for their 2015 Year 6 shirt. Competition closes Friday 31 October and the winner will be announced on the Senior Assembly on Friday 7 November. P&C representatives, a Year 5 teacher and myself will select the winning entries.

**Online Banking Direct Debit payments for Year 2 & 3 swimming close this Friday 24 October.**

Payments by cash, cheque or EFTPOS can still be made up until 9.00 am Wednesday 29/10/14.

**Next P & C Meeting:**

Date: 10 November 2014
General meeting
Time: At 7pm
Where: Admin Block

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**Spotlight**

**Term 4 School Captains**

This term our school captains (pictured left to right) are Parth Jhamb, Liam Pope, Isabella Thompson and Mikayla Mayo. Mikayla replaces Palin Wiggart who left Townsville. Congratulations Mikayla

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**Yours in education**

Kerry Finn

Deputy Principal
A HUGE THANK YOU TO ONLINE BANKING PARENTS
Your payment details have been just as we have requested and we appreciate your support. We hope that you have found this method of payment very helpful.

5 KEYS TO SUCCESS— YOU CAN DO IT!
The framework of Annandale State School's Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students

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**LIBRARY NEWS  📚**

**Lexile to Literacy Pro Upgrade**
The migration from Lexile to Literacy Pro commenced on Monday this week October 20 and will take about a week. As of now students will no longer be able to access the old Lexile system. Once the migration is completed hopefully by October 27 students will access the Literacy Pro (new Lexile system) via Scholastic Learning Zone the new digital portal that hosts this site. The URL and any new password and usernames required will be provided to students once the migration has occurred.

Mark McKay
Teacher Librarian

**MUSIC NOTES 🎵🎵🎵**

**Instrumental Recruitment night**
Instrumental demonstrations were held last week for years 2, 3 & 4. If your student would like to learn an instrument they should have collected an invitation letter for you to attend the recruitment night on Wednesday, 5 November – 6pm. Spare invitations are at the office if you need one. In 2015, year 3s have the opportunity to learn the stringed instruments - violin, viola & cello. Year 4s & 5s may learn a stringed, woodwind or brass instrument. All lessons are 30 minutes per week during school time. Students who learn instruments through the school’s instrumental program will eventually need to attend and rehearse in the stringed orchestra, junior or senior concert bands.

**Music Student of the week** in week 3 was Jason Langens of class 5/6E1 for demonstrating persistence and good behaviour in music. Jason maintained focus on practicing the music skill and was confident to play for the class.

Well done Jason

Karen O'Donnell
Music Coordinator

**ENROL NOW**

For PREP in 2015
Applications now being accepted
Children born between
01/07/2009—30/06/2010
are eligible for enrolment in Prep for 2015.
Enrolment packs are available from the office.
Application forms are also available on our website http://annandaless.eq.edu.au
A copy of birth certificate and immunisation records is required along with the application form. Interview times for new enrolments are currently being arranged.

**Come and Try Sessions** (bookings required)
Sessions on:
- Mondays: 27 Oct, 3 Nov, 17 Nov
- Wednesdays: 29 Oct, 5 Nov, 19 Nov
Time:
- 9.00-10.30am
Pick a session and register at comeandtry@annandaless.eq.edu.au or Phone 4729 5111
**SPORTS TALK**

**Swimming Development Program**

**** Last day for Direct Debit 24th October****

Other payments and permissions due 29th October

This term we are offering a Swimming Development Program to all students in Years 2 & 3. This program is aimed at developing students swimming ability for all levels. The program commences on Monday 3rd November and runs each Monday for 5 weeks. Notes have been sent home. It is hoped that all children can participate in the program as it is an essential life skill. Cost of $60 includes lessons, and bus transport to and from Kirwan Aquatic Centre.

Direct Debit payment due 24 October (to allow for processing). Payment and permissions due by Wednesday 29 October.

**Swimming Carnival** is being held on Monday 8th December.

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**CHAPPY NEWS**

**Craft**

Craft will be held on Mondays. This term will focus on Christmas crafts. Come along and join in the fun. Craft is held in H Block (next to the Games Room) at first break every Monday. This weekend Good Shepherd Home is holding a Grandparent’s Day Minifest on Sunday. The fair will run from 2pm – 4:30pm. There will be a range of activities throughout the afternoon.

**Chappy Ros School Chaplain**

(rpark146@eq.edu.au)

**Chappy’s Quote for the Week**

If you believe you can make a difference, then you will make a difference. Believe in yourself, your family and your community and you will win.

- Lindsay Fox

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**BOOKPACK INFORMATION**

Book Pack order form with the 2015 book lists have now been handed out. Please check with your child or their teacher or at the office if you do not have one. Orders can be placed at the Uniform Shop from Friday the 10th October 2014, during Uniform Shop opening hours, 8:30am to 9:30am Fridays. Orders will be taken every day from Monday 27th October to 31st October 2014, 8:30am to 9:30am. Orders paid by cheque or credit card can be left at the tuckshop any morning. A receipt will be sent to your child. Please make sure you receive this receipt as a confirmation that your order has been processed.

**Book pack orders close on the 31st October.**

**Layby Order forms to be submitted**

ALL Laybys need to be finalised by 31st October.

Please make sure that you have filled out an order form to finalise the order as well as completing your payment.

- Leanne Hervey
  Bookpack Coordinator

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**SAFETY ISSUES**

**Safer school journey on the cards**

Whether your child walks or rides to school, or is dropped off, there is no doubt one of the biggest issues facing parents is ensuring that journey is as safe as possible. Traffic congestion is a perennial issue, but it’s great to finally see some real action that will boost the safety of our kids.

After listening to your concerns, I am really pleased to announce Annandale State School has been successful in securing flashing school lights as part of the latest round of funding. The lights are to be installed within the school 40km zone on Yolanda Drive in February next year, and will no doubt come as welcome news to all families who can now breathe a sigh of relief that the school journey is about to get safer.

The signs are part of the Government’s $10million school flashing lights program. Motorists using Yolanda Drive will have no excuse not to slow down, with Annandale Christian College also set to receive flashing lights early in the new year. If you have any questions regarding the installation of the flashing lights, or any other matter, please give me a call on 4725 4166.

Contributed by David Crisafulli, Member for Mundingburra

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**DEFENCE NEWS**

**Moving Schools Workshop**

We will be hosting a Moving Schools Workshop for families who will be changing schools next year due to receiving a Poster Order. The workshop for parents will be facilitated by Regional Education Liaison Officer DCO, Gail Macdonald. Please join us if you are available to discuss the process of moving schools and to share helpful ideas to settle children in to a new school.

When: Wednesday 29th October
Where: J Block – Defence Room (Next to Basketball courts)
Time: 1:30pm-3:00pm
Afternoon Tea is provided and young children are welcome to attend with you.

**Defence Parents Morning Tea**

Please join us if you are available for an informal morning tea. It is a great opportunity to meet new people, the DSTA’s and spend time with parents is ensuring that journey is as safe as possible. Traffic congestion is a perennial issue, but it’s great to finally see some real action that will boost the safety of our kids.

When: Thursday 30th October
Where: Defence Room – J Block
Tim: 8:50 -10:30am
Morning tea is provided and we have toys for young children. We look forward to seeing you then.

Tanya Hurditch & Karen Mitchell
Defence School Transition Aides
thurd2@eq.edu.au and kmitc181@eq.edu.au

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**Bookpack Coordinator**

Queensland Term dates - 2015

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Invitation to NDIS forum for Endeavour Foundation
Would you like to know more about how the NDIS will affect you and the person you care for? Do you need to sort fact from fiction? Join us at the Endeavour Foundation NDIS Families Forum. You’ll hear first-hand personal experience from family members in NDIS trial sites and meet industry specialists who can answer your questions. Forums are being held on Wednesday, 29 October at Seagulls Resort, Rowes Bay Room, 74 The Esplanade, Belgian Gardens. There are morning and evening sessions starting at 10am and 5.30pm. For more information contact 1800 634 040 or email customersupport@endeavour.com.au.

Staff, Residents and family members, we are celebrating…
GRANDPARENTS DAY Mini-fest
SUNDAY 26th October 2014 2-4.30pm
Being all about family especially grandparents and grandchildren to celebrate with them a day that recognises our wonderful golden allies. We have plenty of Grandparents to share around so please come along and make someone’s day.

Music Group
Military Car Display
Petting Farm Senior Choir  Ice Cream Van
Face Painting Youth Dancers
WHERE: The Good Shepherd House’s Front Lawn, Arc (next to William GR) Please make yourself available to bring Residents down if possible!

Christmas Toy Drive—Pyjama Foundation
The pyjama Foundation helps provide support to the foster care community. We are seeking donations of gifts for boys and girls from babies to 16 years of age (majority 5–10 years). Gifts should be valued at around $20 to $30 (no books please) and delivered to North Queensland Audio Visual, 24 Leyland Street in Garbutt, between 9am–2pm by 15th November in time for our Christmas Party. Vouchers, donations in cash, cheque or online also appreciated if you do not have time to shop. For more information on the foundation, please contact Townsville Coordinator Julie-Ann Douglas on 0409 059 714 or Toni Nancarrow-Gerchow on 0437 738 679. Email townsville@thepyjamafoundation.com or visit our website www.the.pyjamafoundation.com