**Dates Claimer**

**Term 4 2014**
- 7 Oct—First Day Term 4 (Tues)
- 13 Oct—P&C mtg
- 20 Oct—Pupil Free day
- 9 Dec—Yr 7 Graduation
- 10 Dec—Yr 6 Graduation

**Spotlight**

Welcome back to school after what we hope was a relaxing and enjoyable break. The term has started well with students slipping easily back into the school routines. The term is a big one for us all. This term we have two year levels, Yr 7 & 6, completing their primary schooling—these students are excited that they are in their last weeks at Annandale and most are very excited to be moving on to high school in 2015.

Many aspects about moving to high school are the same as starting Prep:
- Talk positively about the move to high school
- Be prepared with the necessary books and uniforms
- Be aware of the high school expectations for example: behaviour, homework and wearing of the school uniform
- The family routine for the beginning and end of day— time for catching buses, leaving the house and access at the end of the school day

**YuMi Deadly Maths Summit** YuMi Deadly Maths is a pedagogy that Annandale teachers use to support the teaching of Numeracy. Qld University of Technology (QUT) supports our teachers’ training and each year runs a summit for the sharing of good ideas and developments in the YuMi Deadly Maths. This year on 27&28 October, three of our teachers will be presenting at the YuMi Summit in Brisbane. These teachers are: Mrs Caterina Johnson, Mrs Jody Watson and Mr Kevin Hicks. They will be accompanied by Mrs Kerry Finn, Deputy Principal (Yr 4-7). We wish them well in their presentations.

Reading Comprehension was highlighted at the end of last term as an area which staff had identified as requiring greater attention. Reading is more than the ability to say words printed on a page/screen (encoding and decoding). Just saying the words is not reading.

Reading requires the reader to:
- Understand the meaning of the text read
- Understand the meaning of all the words in the text
- Understand the intent of the author
- Be able to draw inference from the text (i.e. know what was intended although not actually written by the author).

Reading does not occur in a vacuum. Readers:
- read for a wide range of purposes—relaxation, getting/giving information, sharing information/messages and can be public or private
- require a deep word knowledge—know words and their meanings and how these change in different circumstances
- Require a knowledge of the world around them.

The classroom supports a student in some aspects of this process but each student requires support and the building of their awareness and knowledge beyond the classroom, in all aspects of their daily life. Talking and sharing ideas contributes significantly to the process of learning to read.

**Next P & C Meeting:**
- **Date:** 13 October 2014
- **General meeting**
- **Time:** At 7pm
- **Where:** Admin Block

Jan Cooper
Principal.
EVENTS/ACTIVITIES PAYMENTS
We are now taking ONLINE BANKING PAYMENTS (DIRECT DEPOSIT):

- BSB : 064823 (CBA Aitkenvale)
- Bank Acc: 10263935 (Annandale SS General A/c)

When paying online, please follow these simple guidelines:
1. **Reference Details**—Child’s Surname (up to 12 letters), First Initial, Reference Code as below:
   
   ie NETTELFIELDTDIARY

   OR - Invoice Number if applicable

2. **Separate deposits** for each child & each activity;

3. Funds must be transferred from your account at least FIVE (5) DAYS BEFORE the event/activity closing date indicated by the school to ensure payment is received by us in Time for receipting.

The cash collection window is still open if you wish to visit the office or phone us on 4729 5111 for credit card payments (minimum payment of $10.00).

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**Music Notes ♫♩♬ ♬♩♫ ♪♬ ♩♩♫ ♪♫ ♪♩♬**

Welcome back to another busy term for all students and parents of students who are involved in music. All classes will be undergoing music assessments. Students will be tested on their listening, vocals and sight reading skills.

**Year 2** will be tested on singing Lucy Locket with a rhythm ostinato accompaniment.

**Year 3** will be rehearsing for their end of year concert.

**Year 4** will be tested on singing Great Big House in New Orleans and playing Long Legged Sailor on the recorder.

**Year 5** will be tested on singing Botany Bay and playing ‘Pick a Bale of Cotton or Who’s that Yonder’ on the recorder.

**Year 6 & 7** are writing melodies, learning to playing a tune on the piano or ukulele and singing the Cup Song. All instrumental students will also be undergoing assessment and rehearsing for the highlights concert in week 8.

Choir students will also be performing at the highlights concert. **Please note** rehearsals have been changed to first break on Wednesday (not Thursday).

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### Parent Assistance needed to mend some music uniforms

If you can offer some time to assist please email me on kodon49@eq.edu.au or provide the office with your details for me to email you. Thank you. Your help will be much appreciated.

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### Music students of the week

In Week 10 of term 3 were Blair Minogue of class 7G2 for outstanding musicianship, demonstrating exceptional musical knowledge, leadership skills and excellent behaviour and Thomas Baker-Peri of class 7F1 for demonstrating persistence by completing an assessment task. Congratulations students.

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### DEFENCE NEWS

**Have you received a Posting Order?**

Last term letters were sent home to families enquiring if you will be Posted away from Townsville this year. Please let us know as soon as possible if you will be moving as we have programs and plans in place to support children when they leave our school.

We are also available to provide information and/or referrals to assist your upcoming move.

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Tanya Hurditch & Karen Mitchell (Defence School Transition Aides) thurd2@eq.edu.au and Kmitc181@eq.edu.au
LIBRARY NEWS

Lexile Upgrade Next Term

Scholastic Australia who supply the Lexile system for our school have informed us that we will need to upgrade to Literacy Pro as it will become the new platform for the delivery of the Lexile system. At the end of 2014 they are switching off the old Lexile system as we currently know it. There are a number of benefits in this migration but also a downside as well.

Benefits

Improved reports that can be easily accessed to demonstrate how your child is progressing with their reading.
A wider range of whole class data and reports that can be used by teachers to inform programs and assist with individual instruction.
All reports can be viewed as a graph or a table for easy analysis.
An expanded Lexile data base meaning students will have access to even more books with Lexile quizzes.
All students currently on the system will have a lifetime license that will be honoured by Literacy Pro.

Disadvantage

All new users in 2015 will be required to pay an annual $10 fee rather than the one off fee that was previously charged under the old system.

When the migration takes place in early term 4 students will access 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.

If you have any questions in relation to this issue please contact the Library staff either by visiting, calling (47295186) or email library@annandaless.eq.edu.au

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CHAPPY NEWS

Craft group for grades 1-7 will recommence next Monday 13 October 2014. The crafts, this term, will focus on Christmas. Come along and join the fun. Craft group is held first break Mondays in H2 (next door to the Games Room).

Chappy Ros School Chaplain
(rpark146@eq.edu.au)

Chappy’s Quote for the Week

Yesterday’s the past, tomorrow’s the future, but today is a gift. That’s why it’s called the present. Bill Keane

BOOKPACK INFORMATION

Book pack orders are now being taken.

Book Pack order form with the 2015 book lists have now been handed out. Please check with your child or their teacher 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.

P & C NEWS

Expression of Interest: Uniform Shop Convenor

The Annandale SS P&C is seeking expressions of interest for the casual PAID POSITION of Uniform Shop Convenor. This position consists of paid work, approximately 3 hours per week, starting early Term 4, 2014. If you are interested, please collect and complete the application pack from the Front Counter of the school office. The application pack includes a full position description, including selection criteria. Please submit your application by 3pm Friday 10th October to the Annandale State School’s Front office along with a copy of your resume and current Blue Card. Alternatively email michaelastephens4068@hotmail.com for an application package.

Michaela Tantillo
P & C Committee.
HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED? PLEASE LET US KNOW.

Please contact the school to advise us of your current phone number, address details, or a change in emergency contacts. This is particularly important if the school needs to contact parents / carers urgently.

Sun Smart Policy

It is Education Queensland policy that children wear a hat at all times when in the sun. Our school is a Sun Smart school where children without a Sun Smart hat will be permitted only to play under covered areas – NO HAT NO PLAY.