Deputy Principal’s Note

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Annandale State School Community. My names is Scott Taylor and I will be acting in the position of Deputy Principal (P-2) for the remainder of the 2015 school year. Thank you for making me feel so welcome in the short time that I have been here.

US Airforce Band

In a few weeks Annandale SS will be visited by the US Airforce Band. They will be performing for the school between 2pm and 3pm in ‘The Shed’ on Monday 17th August. Everybody is welcome to attend and be a part of this fantastic musical performance.

William Ross State High School Year 6 Parent Information Afternoon

On Wednesday 5th August, members of the William Ross State High School staff will be presenting a Year 6 Parent Information Afternoon. This will take place in ‘U’ Block commencing at 3.15pm and concluding at 4.30pm. Information presented will be as follows:

- Junior Secondary Structures
- Curriculum Overview and Positive Education
- Student Well-being

There will also be time for questions, displays and information packages available.

Arts Excellence Program—WRSHS

On Monday 3rd August, the Year 6 students will be exposed to the William Ross State High Schools Arts Excellence Program Display. This display will be set up in the CPA (11.45-12.15) and will showcase some of the exceptional pieces of work that our local secondary students have produced.

Year 6 Camp

Last week a letter was sent home to all Year 6 students outlining the cost of the Year 6 Camp to Echo Creek. Students need to pay the deposit of $90 by Wednesday 5 August.

30 July 2015 Term 3, Week 3

Life Education

Life education mobile classroom will visit the school from 3 September to the 18 September (weeks 8, 9, and 10). An envelope and timetable will be sent home closer to the time. Life Education is the largest non-government provider of drug and health education to children and young people, Australia wide.

School Vandalism

Unfortunately over the weekend sections of the school were vandalised. From time to time, instances like this do occur, however, it would be appreciated if any community members see any inappropriate behaviours or people acting suspicious around the school to contact School Watch on 131788.

Before School and After School Procedures

Children are asked not to arrive at school before 8:00 am. The school will not take responsibility for children who arrive before this time. Children are expected to sit in the covered play area (CPA) until the 8:40 am bell when they are allowed to move to their classroom areas.

Children are not permitted to play on the school’s play equipment before and after school when no staff supervision is provided. It is expected that all children will depart the school grounds by 3:15 pm except for those participating in sporting activities or the Out of School Hours Care Program.

Children still remaining at 3:20 pm will be instructed to wait in the administration foyer. Parents are requested to collect their children from here. Parents are also requested to park in the designated parking areas on Yolanda Drive when picking up children. Please DO NOT park across the pedestrian crossing nor in the Oleander St Staff car park as this endangers children’s lives.

Scott Taylor
A/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:

1. **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

   or

2. **Cash or cheque** payments at the school up to and including the closing date.

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**EVENT**  | **Ref Code**  | **Closing Date**  | **Cost**
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All year levels-Voluntary Contribution  | (Year) + CONTR  | ASAP  | $50
Literacy Pro Access Yr 3 & any new student in 2015  | (Year) + LITER  | ASAP  | $10
Prep Craft  | CRAFT  | ASAP  | $30
Yr 6 Camp Deposit (Non Refundable)  | 6CAMP  | DD 29 July CCW 5 Aug  | $90
Yr 6 Camp Final Payment (Total $290)  | 6CAMP  | DD 24 Aug CCW 31 Aug  | $200

* DD = Direct Debit  
* CCW = Cash Collection Window

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**Bike and Scooter safety**

Many of the children at the school ride bikes to and from school.

A locked bike enclosure, located on Yolanda Drive, is available for the storage of all children’s bikes. A smaller non-enclosed area is located between L&D blocks.

All bikes and scooters should be secured with a personal bike lock.

By law, all bicycle riders must wear protective helmets. These should be clearly labelled with the child’s name and may be left in the bike racks.

For safety reasons, no bicycles are to be ridden in the school grounds. All riders must dismount and walk bikes along the footpaths in front of the school and across the supervised crossings. Motorists, please take care and watch out for our bike riders.

**Remember:** Safety first at all times.

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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.

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Will your name appear here soon?

Do your best - Always.

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**TEN DAY TEASER Number 7**

A MAB 1000 is made up of 1000 smaller MAB ones. If the outside of the large MAB was painted how many of the smaller MAB’s would have paint on them?

* MAB - Mathematical Attribute Block

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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 7 August at 3:00pm. Winner will be drawn at second break in the Library on Monday 10 August.

Mr McKay  
AKA  
“The Quizmaster”

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Have you changed your contact details or emergency contacts? Please let us know so we are able to contact you in the event of illness or emergency.
Reminders

Year 5s & Year 4s are required to bring their recorders to music. Recorders can be purchased for $12 at the school canteen. Otherwise borrowed from family or friends. All recorders are to be named and stored in students school bags.

Students are to practice finger exercises on their recorders and learnt songs

Karen O’Donnell
Music Coordinator

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

Annandale has again been registered to participate in the Premier’s Reading Challenge during this term. To meet the challenge and receive a certificate signed by the Premier, students will need to read 20 books and complete a Reading Record form available from the Library. On this form they have to fill out the title and author information for each of the 20 books (15 books for Year 4 - 6) they read as well as giving the book a rating (from 1 – 10) and getting you to sign off on each book.

When completed the reading record must be submitted to the library so that it can be sent to the Premiers Office for the certificate to be issued. This competition ends on Friday August 28. All students in Prep – Year 2 will be issued with a reading Record sheet, those who wish to participate in Year 3 – 6 can obtain a Record sheet on request from the Library.

As Book Week, with its theme of Books Light Up Our World, is also occurring during this term (August 24–28) we have decided to combine the two activities. Book Week is a national celebration of all that is wonderful about books; some describe it as Christmas for Librarians. So in keeping with this theme we have some presents to give away during Book Week. Some of these include model making kits, colouring sets and activity books as well as a number of $20.00 Book Club vouchers. Students who complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge by August 21 and submit their Reading record will also gain a ticket in our Book Week Prize Draw for a chance to win some of those prizes. Students may commence reading/experiencing books immediately and can count any books read since May 19.

All students are encouraged to be involved but participation is purely voluntary.

Mark McKay
Teacher Librarian

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Billy G’s Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Don’t forget order forms and monies are due next week - Tuesday 4th August. Help us reach the target of 1500 tubs sold!!!!

Syahn Farr & Rebecca Murdoch
Fundraising Coordinators

FAIRYTALE FUN DAY

The Preppies had a fun fairytale day at the end of Term 2 as a culminating activity to their fairytale unit. Children, teachers and some parents dressed up as their favourite fairytale character. The children enjoyed a variety of activities such as crown making, puppet theatre, bubble blowing and music and dance just to name a few.

A fun morning was had by all!
Woolworths Earn and Learn
A collection box for stickers is in the office foyer. There is also a collection box at Woolworths Fairfield Waters and one at Woolworths Stockland for our school.