Principal’s Note

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

**VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS** Thank you to all those families who have paid the annual $50 per student contribution. These funds are used by each year level to support the:

- photocopying requirements of the year level (photocopying of assessment tasks, copies of worksheets as text books are not used)
- purchase of classroom printers and toners
- Additional materials for curriculum work in science, maths and geography
- Stickers and rewards to support positive behaviour incentive initiatives of teachers

If you are yet to pay the contributions there are several ways—direct cash at the cash collection window, by credit card (over the phone or in person) or direct deposit (see over page for bank details).

We are hoping to have all funds received by the end of May so we can place bulk orders of resources over the holidays.

**VOLUNTEERS and the need for a BLUE CARD** The school values greatly the support that our many volunteers provide.

- Legal parents of students who volunteer in the school are not required to have a **BLUE CARD**.
- Any other person who volunteers must have a BLUE CARD or an Exemption Card, **BEFORE** they commence volunteering (this includes, grandparents, uncles, aunts, etc).

Any person working in the school is also required to have a BLUE CARD—teacher aides, office staff, people paid to provide extra-curricular activities, cleaners and groundsmen and contractors.

All volunteers who assist in classrooms are required to be registered on the Volunteers Sign On Sheet held in the area in which they volunteer e.g. classroom.

Thank you all those who work with the school regarding these Child Safety requirements.

**STUDENT SAFETY** Lately it has become a concern that many students are not leaving the school until well after 3:30 in the afternoon. Arrangements are in place for those students who have not left the grounds by 3:20 pm to come to the office so their parents/next of kin may be contacted.

In order to support the safety of our students some of the school gates will be locked at 3:20 each afternoon. These will be: the gate near the Casuarina St entrance (the bridge), the gate closest to C & K blocks and the gates close to the Prep playground.

**TEACHING AND LEARNING REVIEW** This week the school has welcomed three School Reviewers who have the task of assisting the school in reviewing its Teaching and Learning.

The members of the team are: Mr Garry Lacey, Mrs Raelene Fych and Mr Robert Van den Heuvel.

They will be reviewing the school’s processes and procedures across 9 domains from the National School Improvement Tool.

The domains are:
1. An explicit improvement agenda
2. Analysis and discussion of data
3. A culture that promotes learning
4. Targeted use of school resources
5. An expert teaching team
6. Systematic curriculum delivery
7. Differentiated teaching and learning
8. Effective pedagogical practices
9. School-community partnerships

At the end of the review, the school will be provided with a report which will provide recommendations which the school may consider as it develops its next 4 year Strategic Plan.

Jan Cooper
Principal
**PAYMENTS FOR 2016**

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*B = 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

**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.

**AD for Literacy Assistant’s job on the back page.**
TEN DAY TEASER Number 5

Hub Words
- Can you make 6 words of five letters or more avoiding proper nouns using only the letters in the wheel?
- Each word must contain the hub letter A.
- You must also find a 9-letter word from this wheel as well. (Clue: Someone who is unbiased is this word)
- You cannot repeat any letters in the wheel in your words.

Answers must be submitted in the Answer box in the library by Friday May 13 at 3:00 pm.
Winner will be drawn at second break on Monday May 16 in the Library.

Mr McKay
AKA “The Quizmaster”

FOUND:
Reading glasses: black with green ear wings
Reading glasses: black with orange wings
Both are in green Specsavers cases. One pair was found in the library this week, and the other has been in lost property for a week or two. Ask at Student Reception.

MISSING:
Blood glucose monitor.
If you have this item could you please bring it to the office?

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.

Michaela Tantillo
P&C Vice President

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Gone Troppo, DCO’s online newsletter, contains lots of information about Townsville community events. To find out what family friendly activities are coming up soon, please go to http://www.defence.gov.au/dco/qld.htm to access or phone 1800 624608 if you would like to subscribe to the newsletter.

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

Sorry for the inconvenience
Please check for correct prices when ordering.

PIZZAS $3.50

Raelene Featherstone
Tuckshop Convenor

More Parking Issues
The Oleander Street carpark is for staff parking and should not be used for student drop-off in the morning or student pick-up in the afternoon.

Safe parking keeps our children safe.

DEFENCE NEWS

Defence Parents/Carers Morning tea.
The next morning tea will be held in 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

“We love you Mum.
Kissey Kissey!”

Happy Mother’s Day

Tanya Hurditch
Defence School Transition Aide
thurd2@eq.edu.au
J Block (Next to the Basketball courts)
APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR A: LITERACY ASSISTANT (Teacher Aide) 10 hours per week.
The Literacy Assistant will work within a team to support the classroom teachers in the implementation of Literacy Groups, primarily across the Year 3 and 4 area. The school is seeking an applicant who is enthusiastic and self-motivated. They must possess strong communication skills and have a willingness to work with children to improve their literacy skills. A Positive Notice Blue card for Child-Related Employment is essential. Interested applicants are invited to submit an application to the Literacy Co-ordinator 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 Natalie Johnson Literacy Co-ordinator Annandale State School Cnr Oleander and Yolanda Drive Annandale QLD 4814 Email: njohn69@eq.edu.au Applications close: Friday 27 May