Principal’s Note

Welcome to the 2017 school year. A special welcome to the new families who have joined the Annandale SS community.

SCHOOL LEADER INDUCTION CEREMONY

Our school leader induction ceremony will be held in the ‘Shed’ at 2:30pm on Friday 10 February. Councillor Verena Coombe will be our special guest on this day.

Parents of school leaders—School Captains, Vice School Captains, Indigenous Leaders, House Captains and Student Councillors - are invited to a special afternoon tea at 1:15pm in U1 & U2 before the ceremony. We congratulate our school leaders and wish them every success as they perform their roles. Student Councillors and Sports Captains will be announced on the senior assembly at 2:30pm.

School Assemblies

The junior school (prep to year 2) generally assembles Thursday afternoon at 2:30pm in the covered play area (CPA).

The senior school (year 3 to year 6) assembles most Friday afternoons at 2:30pm in the Shed.

At least once each term the school assembles as a whole group in The Shed, on the basketball courts. All parents and carers are invited to our school assemblies. Please note, there is only one assembly each week so when a whole school assembly is held there is no P-2 or Year 3-6 assembly during that week.

Our first whole school assembly will be the student leader induction ceremony held on February 10 (week 10).

Parent/Teacher Meetings

In the next two weeks of the school year, all Prep to Year 6 parents/carers are invited to attend Meet and Greet Meetings with their children’s class teacher/s. (See the timetable below.)

At these meetings class teachers provide information about their year level curriculum, classroom expectations, homework procedures and much more. Research indicates that it is essential for the home and school to work together to get the best possible outcomes for our children. We encourage all parents/carers to join us for these informative meetings. Each year level will meet together briefly and then move to individual classroom to discuss classroom procedures.

Parent/Teacher Meetings Timetable

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Yours in education

Kerry Finn
Deputy Principal
## Payments

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*BP = BPoint  * DD = Direct Debit  *CCW = Cash Collection Win-

**BPOINT (Commonwealth Bank Portal) is our PREFERRED payment method for invoices that are issued.**

Other payment options available to you are direct debit, credit card, cash or cheque payment.

Details on how to use any of these options are available on the activity note, or drop in see the friendly staff at the cash collection window.

## Office Opening Times

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## Library News

### Tips for helping your Child become a great Reader

Over the next couple of newsletters I will be including some tips on how to help your child develop as a reader. These tips are based on research and come from experts in the field of reading and language acquisition.

**Tip 1: Read aloud to your children:** If you follow no other tip follow this one, reading to your children helps them to learn the language of books and it will encourage them to enjoy books and reading and best of all kids love this special time with you!

**Tip 2 Share stories without books:** Tell and re tell stories of all kinds including favourite stories, fairy tales, movie plots, local news items and family history stories.

**Tip 3: Read in your home language if your first language is not English.** Experience shows that doing this will help your child learn to read in English.

**Tip 4: Visit a Library near you:** Borrow books for yourself as well as your child, this reinforces that you value reading.

*Mark McKay*
Teacher/Librarian

## Music Notes ♫♪♫♪#

### Instrumental Music

**Mr Temple** (brass, woodwind, percussion) will be at school on Wednesdays. Lessons commence in week 2.

**Miss Brown** (strings) will be at school on Mondays and on Tuesday afternoons from 12pm. Continuing students will commence lessons in week 3. Beginner students will commence lessons in week 4.

Instrumental notes regarding levies will be distributed next week.

## Rehearsal Schedule

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<td>String Orchestra</td>
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*Ann Marie Hancock*
Music Teacher
Expression of Interest: Uniform Shop Assistant
The Annandale SS P&C is seeking expressions of interest for the paid casual position of Uniform Shop Assistant. This position consists of paid work as required to relieve or assist the Uniform Shop Convenor. It involves working a 3 hour shift as required, approximately every 6 weeks, usually on a Friday 8:30-11:30am starting in March. 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 24 February to the Annandale State School’s front office along with a copy of your resume and current Blue Card. If the successful applicant does not currently hold a blue card then it be a requirement to apply for one.

Michaela Tantillo
P & C Vice President

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

OPEN FRIDAYS 8:30 - 9:30am

STOCK UPDATE
* Size 4 Polo’s arrived
* Library/Reader Bags due in 3 weeks

SPORTS SHIRTS
New polo mesh shirts with school logo $26.50
Sizes 6 - 14 available
May be worn on Wednesdays ONLY and nominated sports events.

CUSTOMERS
To all customers affected by our Eftpos machine fault on Thursday 19 January your receipts are available from Uniform Shop.

Syahn Farr
Uniform Shop Convenor

BE SUN SMART
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
All students are encouraged to drink water throughout the day to maintain their hydration levels.

Absences
Annandale State School is required to maintain an accurate electronic database of student attendance.
Where a child is absent from school it is essential that the school be notified as to the reason for absence. This can be done through:
    the following email address
absence@annandaless.eq.edu.au;
    phone call to the school office option 1 (student reception); or parent.
    SMS messages for unexplained absences are also sent out daily, if you receive one of these please respond promptly with a brief message.
ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE
Your business could be featured here each week for a small cost. Over 700 copies of our newsletter are distributed every Thursday.

The newsletter is uploaded to the school website for viewing as well.

All queries please email: pandc@annandaless.eq.edu.au

COMMUNITY NEWS
SIGN ONS
The Ross River Junior FC are now accepting registrations online for the 2017 Season. We are inviting players from 5 to 16 years of age for teams in the 2017 season. For any further details please call our Registrar on 0412 583 532 and/or email rossriverregistrar@gmail.com or Club Secretary on 0448 019 872.

PARKS HOCKEY CLUB
SIGN ON: SATURDAY 4 FEB 1-4PM AT THA
Club Contact – Gary Wicks
0412 043 887
Parkshockey@bigpond.com
https://sitedesq.sportstg.com/site/index.cfm?Fuseaction=display_main&OrgID=12395

Townsville Heat Girls Cricket League Townsville Cricket Inc.
Gill Park, Grosvenor Street, Pimlico Sundays 3pm - 6pm
Competition: 12 February - 19 March 2017 $70
FREE Come & Try Session 5 February 2017 at Gill Park, 3pm - 6pm
Sam Harris (Sam.Harris@qldcricket.com.au / 0409 520 051)
6 week T20 all girls competition. Register at:www.playcricket.com.au (search Townsville Cricket)

Annandale Taekwondo
Learn self defence in a family friendly environment
Classes: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
ANNANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
Ph: 0408 880 201
BullyStop Accredited Instructor

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Annandale OSHC
BSC: 645am-9am / ASC: 3pm-6pm / VAC CARE: 645am-6pm
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PLEASE COME IN AND SEE THE COORDINATOR TODAY!

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