**Principal’s Note**

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

**Semester 1 Reports and Q Parents**

All students who attended the school during last semester will have received their Semester 1 academic reports by now. Parents and carers who have registered with QParents will have access to their child’s academic report online.

**If you are interested in becoming a QParents account holder, please contact the school administration office (4729 5111) to have the relevant forms forwarded to you.**

Once these forms have been completed, an invitation will be sent by email to progress your registration.

All applicants will need to provide 100 points of identification as part of the registration process. This can generally be completed online.

**Curriculum Information Booklets**

Semester reports provide an opportunity for students to consult with their teachers to identify what is necessary to improve their performance or maintain their achievement as the new demands of Semester 2 curriculum begin.

Many parents/carers will be aware that several Prep information sessions are available through the school website.

These information booklets are directly related to the work being done at school. By using the consistent processes at home, there is reinforcement of the core strategies. Working together in this way supports our students in their learning journey. Have a look at the booklets on the school website - www.annandaless.eq.edu.au – through the Curriculum tab and then the Teaching and Learning tab.

**Child Safety - Travelling to and from school safely**

I encourage parents and carers to consider assisting their children to form groups to travel to and from school, even if they are travelling by bike or scooter. I believe the old adage “there’s safety in numbers”, applies to this situation.

It is important for us all to assist our students, grow in confidence and independence. Managing their time, the road rules and organisation of getting to and from school is one aspect of growing confidence and independence. This does not necessarily mean completing tasks alone. Being part of a group is a very supportive way in which to build these skills. There are many decisions to be made in getting to and from school each day and the assistance of a group doing the same thing is very supportive. It also significantly contributes to the safety of all participants.

**Prep 2017 Enrolments**

Enrolments for 2017 are now being taken. Apply for a pre-enrolment interview through the school office.

**Prep information sessions will be:**

- 28 July - 9am or 6pm
- 1 September - 9am or 6pm
- Prep Come and Try days will also be:
  - 3 August - 9 am to 11am
  - 7 September - 9am to 11am

There are more dates in Term 4 - pick up a flyer from the office.

Bookings may be made by contacting Tracey at the school office – 47295111 or email prep2017@annandaless.eq.edu.au

**Transitioning To School** information is available to families from the early Childhood Education and Care website - http://deta.qld.gov.au/earlychildhood/about/successful-transitions/info-families.html

There are many ideas which provide guidance to support your child’s transition to school. This site is well worth looking at and sharing with parents/carers considering transitioning their child to school.

**School Opinion Survey**

The annual School Opinion Survey will be conducted 11 to 29 July. All families, school staff and a random sample of students will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve.

Access details for the Parent/Caregiver Survey have been sent home previously.

**Smoking Policy - Electronic Cigarettes**

The Queensland Government Smoking Policy prohibits any form of smoking, including the use of electronic cigarettes at any time:

- In any buildings owned or leased by the department and within 4 metres of the building entrances;
- On any school and outdoor or environmental education centre land (including sporting grounds) owned or leased by the department and within 5 metres outside the boundary of the land.

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**Spotlight**

Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today.

**Next P & C Meeting:**

Date: 15 August 2016
Time: 7pm
Where: PLA G

This is a QR code for Annandale SS

By using the QR code, people with a QR reader on their personal device may get quick access to our school website.

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**Jan Cooper**

Principal
Office Opening Times

Student Reception: 8:00am to 3:30pm school days
Cash Collection Window: 8:30am to 9:00am school days
Admin Reception: 8:00am to 3:30pm school days

Payments

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*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 to see the friendly staff at the cash collection window during opening hours.

5 Keys to Success

**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.

**Sports Talk**

**Challenge Games**

Next Wednesday and Thursday many of our students will be participating in the Challenge Games. This great carnival brings together students across North Queensland to compete in a whole range of sporting activities. Remember to bring back your notes if you received one to compete in this carnival. Thanks to our SEP teachers for supporting this wonderful day.

**Three Way Meet**

Our Athletics team will compete next Wednesday against Wulguru and Oonoomba in a Three Way Meet in the lead up to Red Track. Please ensure you return your permission slips to Student Reception. Go Annandale!

Brett Hull
PE Teacher

**Library News**

**Book Fair**

In what is a very busy term for the Library we are once again holding a Book Fair NEXT WEEK.

During this time the Library is set up like a bookshop and parents and students can come and purchase quality children’s books at good prices. The library and students also benefit as we receive a commission in free books to add to our collection. Last year’s Book Fair earned the school $1800 worth of free books. The Book Fair itself will be set up in the teaching spaces on the side of the Library. We look forward to your continuing support with this year’s event.

Book Fair will run from Monday 25 July till Thursday 28 July (Week 3) with Monday being a browsing day only. All purchases are to be made from Tuesday to Thursday. The timetable below shows when the Fair is open.

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✔ Library Open for Book Fair

**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 5 - 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 Premier’s Office for the certificate to be issued. **This competition ends on Friday 26 August.**

All students in Prep – 2 should have been issued with a Reading Record sheet this week. 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 **Australia! Story Country**, is also occurring during this term (20-26 August) 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 **22 August** 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 16 May.**

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

Mark McKay
Teacher/Librarian
**MUSIC NOTES ♫♬☂**

**Eisteddfod**
Our next upcoming major event will be the Townsville Eisteddfod to be held towards the end of this term. The choir, concert band and string ensemble will be performing at the Eisteddfod. Students will be rehearsing pieces in preparation for this event. It is important that all students practise their parts and attend all rehearsals.

**No String lessons** next week 25-26 July as Miss Wu will be away.

**Year 4 classroom music**
A reminder to year 4 students that recorders are still required to be brought to all classes.

Ann Marie Hancock
Music Teacher

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Help urgently needed
Help in the tuckshop is urgently needed for the following days.

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If you can help in the tuckshop for a couple of hours on any day, please ring Raelene or Annette on 4729 5191 or contact the school office. We would be most appreciative of any help you can offer.

Raelene Featherstone/Annette Leicht
Tuckshop Convenors

**P&C NEWS**

At our meeting this week (Monday 18 July) the P&C discussed the following:
- The food vans that will be at the movie night (week 4 - Saturday 6 August from 6.30pm) - Wood fired pizza, Smashed Spud, Icecream, Slushie, Coffee.
- Student Council’s Disco night (week 7)
- Father’s Day Stall preparations (week 8)
- Choosing of play ground equipment for the Year 2’s
- Donating money for tiered seating at The Shed
- The possibility of creating a P&C Facebook page

If you would like to have your say, please come and join us at our next **P&C meeting on Monday 15th August 2016**.

Rebecca Murdoch
Fundraising Committee

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**DEFENCE NEWS**

**Defence Parents/Carers Morning Tea - (Date changed to next Thursday 28 July)**
You are invited to come and meet some other Defence spouses/partners and our new DSTA at our next morning tea. It is a great opportunity to make new friends 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.

**When:** Thursday 28 July (WEEK 3) not 21 July as previously advised.
**Where:** Defence Room - J Block - near “The Shed”
**Time:** 8:50-10:30am

**Defence Education Assistance Scheme – Attention Families posted to Townsville this year**
Families with students in years 1-6 who have been posted to Townsville this year are eligible to apply for the Education Assistance Scheme (EAS). The Scheme provides reimbursement of tuition fees up to a specified limit within 18 months of enrolling at your new school. The aim of the Scheme is to provide short-term assistance to help overcome any difficulties with education (gaps in learning) or emotional wellbeing as a result of your relocation.

Please contact us if you would like assistance in making an application or would like to know more. Alternatively you can contact the Defence Family Helpline on 1800 624608.

Tanya Hurditch & Heather Mason
Defence School Transition Aides (DSTA’s)
thurd2@eq.edu.au

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**GROUNDS**

**Mr Stuart Cantoni** is our groundsman for 3 1/2 weeks while Mr Barnes is on long service leave. Welcome Mr Cantoni.

**Spider Lily Bulbs and Caladium Bulbs needed**
We are looking for donations of Spider Lily and Caladium bulbs for our garden makeover. Any spare would be greatly appreciated.

**Pots and Wheelbarrows**
Do you have any old pots or old wheelbarrows, that you could donate to the school? We could use them too.

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**FUNDRAISING NEWS**

**Have you paid your Voluntary Contribution?**
Go in the draw to win a

***** $50 online canteen voucher *****
Parents/Carers who have paid their Voluntary Contribution by the end of this week will go into the draw to win a $50 voucher to use for purchases from the tuckshop or uniform shop online or for Family Movie Night Tickets!

Good Luck!

Voluntary Contributions can now be paid on Our Online Canteen. Login www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au and click on ‘Fees’ tab on the Home Page.

Michaela Tantillo
Vice President P&C

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**Family Movie Night**

Home

6 August 2016 @ 6.30pm
Tickets on Sale at www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
Click on EVENTS tab (Free to Register)
$5 per ticket / $15 (Family of 5)
No Refunds, No tickets sold on the night

To be held on the school oval
Gates open at 5.30pm

**This is a Family Event - Children must not attend alone and must be supervised by an Adult (18yrs+)**

Bring a picnic or have a feast from our YUMMIY food vans
LOST PROPERTY

Lost Property is now located outside Student Reception
Lost property from last term and the sports day is still waiting to be claimed. Please check if you are missing any items. **Any items left at the end this week will be donated to a charity.** Please name all items that are sent to school, especially clothing that is likely to be removed (hats, jumpers etc.).

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**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**
Do you need Care for your School Aged Child?
We provide a high quality care.
Come and see our onsite Service
Contact Christy our Coordinator on: 0428094300

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**Sign On**

**JOTS-TIGERS JUNIOR TOUCH**

**Sign On**

**When:** Saturday 30th July from 1pm to 4pm

**Where:** Queens Park Touch Fields – Perkins Dr, North Ward

**Season starts:** 29th June – 28th August 2014

**Thursday night boys players 13 years through to 16 years**

**Friday nights 6 years through to 12 years**

**8 to 15 years boys & girls!!!**

**Training**

**Where:** Queens Park Touch Fields – Perkins Dr, North Ward

**Mag:** Every Tuesday 3pm to 6pm approx...

Any questions contact 0410 616 414 - text is preferred (include your name please)

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**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