Principal’s Note

Welcome to the 2014 school year.
We have had a great start to the year with everyone settling in very well. At the moment our school enrolment is approximately 833 students. Not all students have started the school year due to family circumstances. Our final enrolment and staffing will be based on the students attending school on Day 8 - next Thursday 6 February.

New staff are:
Mrs Leisa Walker - PP1
Ms Katy Cochrane- 4D3
Mrs Karen O’Donnell- Music

Staff returning after leave are:
Mrs Sue Reid - 3L3 (Fridays)
Mrs Jackie Atkinson - 4D2 (with Mrs Jenner)
Mrs Karen Lawrence - 6G1

Farewell to Teacher Aide - Mrs Fiona O’Grady

Mrs O’Grady and her husband are moving interstate to allow Mr O’Grady to take up a promotional position. Mrs O’Grady will be on leave from Annandale S.S. for 2 years.

We wish her and her husband well in their new adventures and thank you to Mrs O’Grady for her dedication and commitment to the students at Annandale.
She will be missed.

SAFETY

DRIVING and parking in a safe and reasonable manner and obeying the Qld road rules is ESSENTIAL.
This keeps our children safe.

Cyclone Preparation

The most recent advice has the event (it is currently as cyclone watch) possibly crossing the coastline near Ingham. From all information available, If it becomes a cyclone it is highly probable that it would remain a category 1 with winds less than 125 klm/hr and with possible flooding.

The weather system is predicted to cross the coast on or around Thursday night so Friday in particular may be a day of high water.

Preparedness prior to the event

- Ensure you know where, how and when to turn off the main power, water and gas supply in case of emergency and evacuation
- Tune into Warnings information on your local radio station and BOM site http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/flood/
- Visit your local council website for information on local emergencies
- Move vehicles, outdoor equipment, garbage, chemicals and poisons to higher locations
- Secure any items that may be blown away or float away e.g. gas bottles, garbage bins

SCHOOL will remain OPEN unless advised through local media

Jan Cooper
Principal
Overview of Events Program Payment Schedule

Upcoming events are listed here to assist families and to keep families informed. If families are unable to meet the payment closing dates, please contact the school administration as soon as possible to make alternate arrangements. The cash collection window is open between 8:15 to 9:00am and 2:15 to 2:45pm.

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YOU CAN DO IT! Behaviour Focus Keys

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.

Welcome back to all students and their families to what will be another great year at Annandale. This term we will be holding Active After School Sessions on Wednesday (Hockey) and Friday (Tennis) afternoons from 3:15-4:15pm. Information will be available from the school office from week three. Each term we will be running free AASC activities in a variety of sports.

Brett Hull
Sports Co ordinator

Safer Internet Day 2014 - we’re all in this together!

This year SID will be celebrated on 11 February 2014. The theme for this year is “Let’s create a better internet together”. With this in mind, the ACMA has a number of resources for the whole community to use:

- Live online virtual classroom presentation for Primary Schools via the Department of Education’s webinar program (VIC, QLD and SA)
- Back to School Cyberfit lesson plans as a school resource for Years 7 and 9
- Cybersmart Screensaver for use in schools and libraries promoting positive and safe online engagement
- Chatterbox, downloadable conversation series (podcast and info-graphics) for parents
- Downloadable Safer Internet Day poster
- Cybersmart Challenge suite of programs, including Detectives, Hero and Networking, for Upper Primary and Lower Secondary students
- Blog posts for parents

This international event will happen simultaneously across the world, and as it is held at the very beginning of the Australian school year, these resources will be available early in order for school communities and families to get organised and take part on the day.

Resources for Safer Internet Day 2014 will be available to download from January 2014 in preparation for the day. To see what resources are available from this year’s campaign, please visit our website now cybersafety@acma.gov.au

Chatterbox for Parents

The ACMA’s Cybersmart Outreach program will launch the Chatterbox Cybersmart Series for Parents, on Safer Internet Day 2014. Chatterbox is a downloadable audio resource where parents can tune in to the latest discourse on cybersafety, participate in discussion forums. The informal and interactive nature of Chatterbox provides parents a fresh, new and jargon-free perspective on cybersafety issues. Through Chatterbox, Cybersmart Outreach aims to empower parents to approach cybersafety issues with confidence and increase understanding of the main cybersafety issues children experience.

The first three episodes focus on the following topics:
1. Tots, Teens and In-Betweens (Digital Youth Culture)
2. Selfies and Someone Elses (Photos, profile pictures, images, voyeurism, sexting)
3. Trolling, Tagging and Bagging (Comments, status updates, trolling, hashtagging, respectful communication, cyberbullying)
We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new and returning Defence Force families. Annandale State School has two Defence School Transition Aides (DSTA’s) who support Defence families within our school - Tanya Hurditch and Karen Mitchell. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns as your children settle into the new school year. We can be contacted by calling the school office on 4729 5111, email thurd2@eq.edu.au and kmitc181@eq.edu.au or call in to J Block near the basketball courts.

**Defence Parents Morning Tea**

*When:* Thursday 13 February  
*Where:* J Block  
*Time:* From 8:50am – 10:30am.

Please join us for a relaxing morning where you can meet other Defence parents and the DSTA’s.

**GECKOS FAMILY CENTRE, LAVARACK BARRACKS**

Geckos family centre will be hosting a BBQ for new Defence families next weekend. It is a great opportunity to meet new people and find out what is on offer at Geckos during the year.

*When:* Saturday 8 February 2014  
*Time:* 11am – 3pm  

Entry is free and food and drinks will be available for purchase.

Tanya Hurditch & Karen Mitchell  
Defence Transition Aides

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**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

Please note the following opening dates for the Uniform:

*Next week only*  
Open Monday 3 February, Friday 7 February  
All other weeks, the uniform shop opening days will be on *Friday only*.

Opening hours are *8:30am to 9:30am*. If you are unable to make it at these times, an order form can be obtained at the office, tuckshop, or downloaded from the Annandale School website. Completed order forms can be handed in to the office or tuckshop and will be filled and items delivered to your child’s classroom on the next Uniform Shop opening day.

Leanne Hervey  
Book Pack Co-ordinator

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS/CONTACT DETAILS**

Please contact the school administration office if there has been a change in your address or contact details over the holiday break.

Thank You

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**P & C NEWS**

The P&C Committee extend a warm welcome to parents and children of Annandale State School. We trust that your children have settled in quickly to their classes and are learning their way around the school. The P&C will be holding a meeting on Monday 10 February at 7pm in the Conference Room, Admin Block.

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**CASH COLLECTION WINDOW**

The cash collection window is open daily from 8:15am–9:00am and 2:15pm-2:45pm.
Annandale Falcons Football Club Sign on for 2014.

Sign on/information evenings Tues 28th Jan and 4th Feb 5.15pm-6.15pm at Cranbrook Park. Come and Try afternoon Sun 9th Feb 3.30-5.30pm at Cranbrook Park, games, drills, BBQ. Fee Discounts, Member Packs. For more information visit [www.annandalefalcons.asn.au](http://www.annandalefalcons.asn.au) or ph Sandy 0402 936 155

Cowboys Community Fan Day is this Sunday at the RSL Stadium at Murray. Come down and meet the 2-14 Cowboys.

Annandale Taekwondo
Learn self defence in a family friendly environment.

Classes: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

ANNANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
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BullyStop Accredited Instructor