**Dear Parents and Carers**

**NAPLAN - 13 to 15 MAY 2014**

Included with the newsletter this week for students in Yr3, 5 and 7 is a flyer providing information for parents regarding NAPLAN. NAPLAN has now been a feature of Year 3, 5 and 7 for a number of years. Students sitting these tests still require preparation in order to achieve at their full potential in the tests.

The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests, in relation to their peers across Australia.

All students in Year 3, 5 and 7 are required to sit the test unless they have been granted an exemption through the Principal. Parents may make a request for their child not to sit the test. This is required in writing to the Principal.

One of the most demanding elements of each of the tests is that the students are required to complete all aspects of the tests, in the allocated time, WITHOUT assistance.

More information on NAPLAN is available from www.nap.edu.au.

**Revamped School website**  
Our revamped school website went live yesterday. It is bright and alive. This is still being developed and additional items will be added over the next month.

The QSchools App is now live. This free app can be downloaded on to all smart devices. It will allow you speedy access to our school website.

**Enjoy the mid semester break & Easter break.**

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**AGM and general meeting**

Thank you to all those parents and staff who attended the reconvened P&C AGM and general meeting last night. There was an outstanding attendance at the meetings.

The meetings were very productive in terms of gaining a new P&C executive committee as well as the valuable discussions on a range of school matters. There were several nominations for P&C President and the secret ballot was required to be conducted. It is with much pleasure that I announce publically the P&C Management committee.

**President:** Keith Wilson  
**Vice President:** Cherie Carter  
**Secretary:** Tanya Doyle (Minutes)  
Alison Roder (Correspondence)  
**Treasurer:** Leeanne Colquhoun (Karen Thompson—assistant)  
**P&C QLD Representatives:** Tanya Doyle Michaela Tantillo  
**Fundraising Co-ordinators:**  
Chloe Wessling  
Vanessa West  
**Newsletter Advertising Co-ordinator:** Leanne Hervey  

I sincerely thank the past P&C executive and co-ordinators for their commitment and dedicated efforts in supporting the Annandale State School community.

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**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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5 KEYS TO SUCCESS— 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.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

***** NEW MENU *****

NEW GLUTEN-FREE ITEMS

The long awaited new menu has been approved by the new P&C, and it will be distributed with the newsletter today. **The new menu takes effect from the first day of next term.**

There are a few unavoidable price increases, but our exciting news is that the tuckshop is now including GLUTEN-FREE items in its menu. We have gluten-free bread and chicken nuggets to name a couple. We hope this will be helpful to those children with special dietary requirements.

Raelene Featherstone

Tuckshop Convenor

DEFENCE NEWS

Defence Parents Morning Tea

Morning Teas will no longer be run weekly, however they will be held periodically through the year. We look forward to seeing you at our morning tea being held Week 4, Thursday 15th May from 8:50am in J Block. We hope you can join us then.

Tanya Hurditch & Karen Mitchell

Defence School Transition Aides

thurd2@eq.edu.au and kmitc181@eq.edu.au

LOST PROPERTY left at the disco

There are various bits and bobs left at the disco on Thursday last. Rings, necklaces, keyrings, mask etc. Ask at the office

There are also several pairs of reading glasses not yet claimed
Anzac Day

ANZAC Assembly

ANZAC Day is Friday 25 April. (week 1 term 2).

Our school recognises the significance of the day by conducting a whole school assembly. This year the assembly will be held in The Shed, on Thursday 24 April at 10:30am. All are welcome to attend.

ANZAC Day Morning Tea

We would like to extend an invitation to parents and visitors to join us for morning tea immediately following the ANZAC assembly. The morning tea will be held in J Block (Next to The Shed), Thursday 24th April from 11:00am-11:30am.

ANZAC DAY March

It is the custom at Annandale that the school be represented in the Townsville ANZAC DAY march. Students from year 5-7 are invited to participate, with staff, to march.

Students wishing to march with the school are required to return the parent permission note to the school by 9:00am on Wednesday 23 April. This note will be sent home to students tomorrow Friday 4 April.

Students are required to make their own travel arrangements to and from the parade.

Students need to meet at Strand Park by 8:45am in full uniform with hat, sunscreen and water bottle.

Our P&C has been saved

Sincere thanks to the dedicated Parents & Citizens who took the time out of their busy lives to attend the re-adjourned P&C AGM held Monday 31st March. With over 30 people in attendance, the meeting was a resounding success, and the result is that our P&C has been reborn.

I am pleased to announce that a Full Executive Committee and various representatives were elected as follows:

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The 2013 P&C Executive Committee would like to thank everyone in the School Community for their support and we wish the newly elected Committee every success.

Sally Reynolds
2012/2013 P&C President

I am pleased to have been given the opportunity to take on the role as the new P & C President for 2014 and I look forward to working with all of you to have another great year for our school. I would like to thank all who attended the re-convened AGM on Monday night and it was great to see the overwhelming support.

I would also like to thank all who have put their hand up to be on the executive committee for 2014, it is always a big decision to take on such a role and I am grateful that we have one of the largest list of executives there has been for a few years. The new committee look forward to supporting Annandale State School with all of the great fundraising activities that the P & C have done last year and hope to also bring a few new ideas as well. The new committee look forward to the continued support of the parents and friends of the school and would like to welcome anyone who would like to join the P & C at our meetings throughout the year so we can all help Annandale State School to have another successful year in 2014.

Keith Wilson
P & C President

Easter Break

Have a happy and safe Easter Break and be ready to hop back to school on Tuesday 22 April.
Cyberbullying

Cyberbullying is the use of technology to bully a person or group. Bullying is repeated behaviour by an individual or group with the intent to harm another person or group.

In the case of cyberbullying the intended harm may be:

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ANNANDALE TAEKWONDO

Learn self defence in a family friendly environment.

Classes: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

ANNANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
PH: 0408 880 201
BullyStop Accredited Instructor

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Hook into Hockey—School Holiday program
Tuesday 15 April (9am-3pm) Girls and Boys aged 6-12 Cost $40 Cost includes a free Hockey stick, Hockey Ball and Shin pads. Qualified coaches. To register please forward name and DOB to email: projectofficer@townsvillehockey.com Phone 47784810 www.townsvillehockey.com

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Easter Eggstravaganza
Hop along to CityLibraries this school holidays to enjoy making all things Easter. Free activities on 10, 11, 15 April at Thuringowa, Aitkenvale and Flinders Street Libraries. Bookings required. Contact your library for details

Defence News: Geckos Easter Egg Hunt
Wednesday 16th April at Geckos Family Centre, Lavrack Barracks from 5pm. Cost $7.50 per child RSVP: Please contact Geckos on 4411 1741 by 11th April at the latest. Easter craft activity included and a sausage sizzle and drinks available for purchase.