Issue 16
10th November 2016

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INFORMATION IN THE OFFICE
• Free Breast Screen for over 40’s. Book today by calling 132050.
• Endeavour Foundation—A Day in The Bay on Friday 2nd December 2016 from 9.30-1.30pm. Opportunities for people with a disability at the All Abilities Park, Pialba.

NON RETURNING STUDENTS
If you know that your children will not be returning to Urangan Point State School next year, please notify the office at your earliest convenience.

PREP ENROLMENT FORMS
For those who have children starting Prep next year, please hand in your enrolment forms to the office so that we can start processing enrolments for 2017.

DATES TO REMEMBER:
November
• 14th—Grade 5 students to give Student leader speeches
• 22nd—Prep Beach Picnic 9-12pm
• 25th—Prep Transition Day 9.15 -10.45am

CENTENARY COOKBOOK
We have now taken the final recipes and are in the process of compiling the cookbook.

The cookbook will be on sale at the placing of the time capsule on the 19th of November for $7.00 or you can pre-order at the office.

RESOURCE SCHEME
All levies are now overdue and need to be paid immediately.
MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the second last edition of the Term 4 Newsletter. What a fantastic fortnight we have had and finished beautifully with our Grandparent's Day Celebration – last Friday 4th November. The school had over 100 grandparents visiting classrooms and parade and everyone certainly enjoyed the Open Day.

I would love to take this opportunity to publicly thank all staff, students and our community for supporting the school during the Centenary Celebrations, The school took over $17,500 on the day with more money coming in as we continue to sell the pavers and memorabilia that we have left over. Any person wishing to purchase memorabilia can do so through the school office and at any school event of the coming term.

Our enrolments continue to grow with 476 students currently in our 19 classrooms. Additionally, we have just taken our 77th name for Prep in 2017. Whilst we have only 75 places available due to our Enrolment Management Plan, we do have some capacity to take enrolments past this number as long we don’t exceed 542 students in total. However, I would strongly encourage any prospective parent of 2017 Prep-aged (that is born between 1 July 2011 and 31 July 2012) child to place their enrolment forms in as soon as possible.

Our planning continues for staffing in 2017. I will be in a position to share both the teacher and teacher aide lists with our community in the next newsletter. Our school will grow to a 20th class and possibly 21st in 2018, if the enrolments continue to present themselves. Staff will also begin to put together the 2017 class lists, with input from Specialist and Administrative staff. Any parental request will only be received if written and directed to the Principal for consideration. These lists will only be released on the first day back to school in 2017. The 2017 Student Resource Scheme will rise to $130 per student. The Resource Scheme will include all sporting activities in 2017 eg. Gala Days, Swimming lessons and Interschool Sports Days (Years 1-3) as well as a reversible hat and all consumable items used in a classroom – GREAT VALUE. Next year’s scheme has been approved by the Urangan Point P&C and the school’s Local Consultancy Committee.

Finally, I would like to congratulate all the Gold award winners so far in 2016 (there are now close to 40). I am hoping to see many more handed out over the coming weeks. The cut-off date for Merit card will be Wednesday of Week 9 (30th November). It is a very significant achievement to collect 30 merit cards over the course of a school year and there are students who are closing in to receive the school’s first ever Diamond Award (40 Merit Cards). These award winners will receive a special medallion on Celebration Night.

A gentle reminder to all families that we have a very important events coming up in the coming weeks;
- The next Prep Transition Day will be held this week, on Friday 11th November from 9:15-10:45am. There will be an additional sessions on 25th November.
- The Year 5 students will be presenting their Student Leader speeches to Admin and Middle and Upper school next week. The 12 students who will lead our school will be presented at Celebration Night on Wednesday 7th December. Mr Andrew Robb will be the Student Leaders Mentor for 2017 and will be meeting with and working with them weekly.

Book Fair is operating this Week - November 7th to 11th – please support the Library by purchasing books and other materials. A great way to start your Xmas shopping for this year.

Have a great fortnight,
Damien Gainsford
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WHAT’S HAPPENING IN YEAR 2

It is hard to believe that we are half way through Term 4 already! Year 2 recently enjoyed a pizza party for having the best attendance rate across all year levels in Term 3. Well done to everyone for making attendance a priority. Let’s see if we can win again in Term 4.

In Health, we have been learning about making decisions that help us stay healthy such as taking care of our bodies, being active and eating healthy foods. Even foods like pizza are ok to eat sometimes.

We have enjoyed reading multiple narratives for English to help us gain a better understanding of themes and events. We have even re-visited noun groups to help us write our own imaginative event into a narrative.

In Math, we have been learning how repeated addition, groups and arrays can be represented as multiplication.

In the coming weeks we will be busy rehearsing for our end of year concert.

AUTISM RESOURCE

Last week, at the prep orientation session, I spoke about autism (ASD) and helping your child to understand classmates who are different to themselves. This is a link to the 4-page resource, “Growing Up Together”. Page 3, “How can I be a friend to someone with autism?” offers great advice to help children be a friend to all of their classmates: http://www.autism-society.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/growing_together.pdf (Alternately, visit www.autism-society.org -> About -> Publications->Resource materials -> Growing Up Together.)

Bromwyn Bennett

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Brochures for Issue 8 of Book Club were distributed to classes today. While the timing is not ideal in relation to our Book Fair, there are some great bargains available and we thought you’d appreciate the choice. There will only be a very short order period as this is the last issue for the year. Orders are due back by next Wednesday 16 November if you wish to place an order.

Many thanks
Cathy Fowler
Teacher Librarian

CHOIR

There are still some outstanding choir shirts from Music Night. Please return them tomorrow. Just a reminder that the choirs are going on an excursion on the 25 November. Please return all money and permission forms by Wednesday the 23 November. If there are any questions, please contact Mrs Hatch through the office.

Mrs Hatch

TUCKSHOP

Just a reminder the tuckshop WILL NOT be providing lunch orders for the rest of the term. Student Council are providing the following snack items on Wednesday’s & Friday’s FIRST BREAK ONLY:

Chips $1.20
Muffins $1.50
Popper $1.50
Apple slinky $1.00
Bottled Water $2.00
Seasonal Fruit $0.50
Ice blocks various

Breakfast from the tuckshop is still available Monday—Thursday before school.

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK FAIR - ON NOW!

Don’t forget to visit our Book Fair in the library this week and check out the range of items available for purchase. The children have been viewing the fair during their library sessions and are keen to show you too. Thank you for supporting this fundraising event for our school. We earn commission on all sales which we use to purchase new resources for our teachers and students.