School Chaplain Commissioning

On Tuesday the 8th of October the school held the formal commissioning of our new school chaplain Mrs Averal Woodham. We were joined by Mrs Billie Dodge from the Scripture Union and Mr Stephen Jaensch on behalf of the local chaplaincy committee and community of churches. Averal or Chappy was welcomed to our school and it was wonderful to have some parents stay around for afternoon tea. In the coming weeks Averal will be working in classrooms, playing lunch time activities and generally getting to know all of the students in the school.

Pupil Free Day 21st October
Next Monday is a pupil free day. Students are not required to come to school on this day. School staff will be participating in a range of professional development at school and across other schools.

Swimming in Term 4
Prep-Year 3 students will travel on Wednesdays and the Year 4-7 students will go to the Capella pool on Thursdays.
Swimming dates are:

| Week 3 - 23rd & 24th October |
| Week 4 – 29th & 31st October |
| Week 5 – 6th & 7th November |
| Week 6 – 13th & 14th November |

Students will do two lessons per day with a lunch break in between lessons. The school swimming carnival has been booked for the 21st of November. Please return permission notes and money.

Prep 2014
This year we will be having a number of mornings for parents to attend with their child in preparation for 2014. We are starting with a parent evening on the 29th of October at 5:30pm. We will also be having four open mornings. The 4th & 11th of November from 9am until 10am and then the 18th & 25 of November from 9am until 11am. All children must be accompanied by a parent/adult for the whole time they are at school. This is a legal issue for the school.
World Teachers Day
Friday the 25\textsuperscript{th} of October is World Teachers Day. This is a day set aside to recognise the difference that teachers make in every child’s life. I would like to thank all of the teachers at Anakie State School for their work and efforts this year. Anakie School would not be the same without their energy and commitment to their job.

Dates claimers
21st October – Pupil Free Day
23rd October – Swimming starts for Prep – Year 3
24th October – Swimming starts for Year 4-7
4th, 11th, 18th, 25th November – Prep transition mornings
21st November – Swimming Carnival
9th December – Year 7 Graduation
10th December – Prep Graduation
11th December – Awards Night
12th December – Fun Day
13th December – Clean-up day/ Final Day of 2013

Eggs for sale
The schools chooks have been consistently laying eggs over the past few weeks and we have a number of cartons available for $3 each. Any parents or community members that would like some fresh eggs contact the schools office.

School Newsletter emailed home
A reminder to any parents wishing to have the school newsletter emailed to them directly to send in an email address so we can add it to our list. Parents are welcome to add extended families email addresses if they would be interested in reading our newsletter.

Kurt Goodwin
Principal

CHAPLAIN NEWS

Hi Everyone,

Thanks to those who could attend the commissioning parade last week, it was great to meet a few more families at the school and share in a very scrumptious afternoon tea. Yesterday I attended the P and C meeting, as I find that this has always been a great way to meet new people and get involved within your school community. I’ve been busy trying to learn and remember the children’s names and something about each of them and enjoy spending time in each class room helping out where needed.

This term will seem to fly I’m sure as we get closer to the end of the year, it always seems busy to me as we try to juggle the many different workloads, activities and breakups that appear on the end of year schedule

As last week was Mental Health week I found an article on “10 ways to promote good mental health and Well-being in kids” from Michael Grose and Parenting ideas that may interest you.

- Model Good Mental Health habits
- Make sure they get enough sleep
- Encourage Kids to exercise
- Give them creative outlets
- Provide a space of their own
- Talk about their troubles
- Help them to relax
- Have two routines - weekday and weekend
- Foster Volunteering and Helpfulness
- Bring fun and playfulness into their lives.

This week is Carers week, so to all the carer’s within the school community I hope you get a little spoilt this week even if it’s just sharing a cuppa with a friend. I think that you all do amazing things as you care for those who need this extra special care, whether it be an ageing family member, a child, friend or relative.

Hoping you all have a lovely week and if you are up at the school on a Tuesday or Wednesday please come and say Hello!

Cheers,
Chappy Averal
Sapphire Gemfields Interpretive Trail Project
Community Invitation
Thursday 17th October 7:30pm
Rubyvale Hall
Please take an opportunity to find out what this project is all about and how you can help transform the future of our Sapphire Gemfields. Chat with the steering committee over a cuppa and/or a glass of wine and nibbles. Everyone is welcome.
For more information please call Kim Tompson on 0407760001

ANAKIE STATE SCHOOL
Uniform List
Polo shirts - $19.00
Black Shorts - $8.50
Bucket Hats - $ 10.50
Wide Brimmed Hat - $25.00
Jumpers - $20.00 Adults $23.00
New stock has arrived all sizes are available

SCHOOL BANKING COMPETITION
Keep saving to win more Dollarmites’ treasure.
Simply make two or more deposits from 21 October to 30 November and you will be automatically entered into the competition.
Treasure Chest Prizes
- 60 x Apple ipod touch 16Gb
- 100 x Adventure DVD Pack including Despicable Me, Despicable Me 2 & HOP
Competition starts 21/10/2013 ends 30/11/2013.
BANKING EVERY THURSDAY

GEMFIELDS PLAYGROUP
When: Every Wednesday 9am - 11am
Where: Flagon Alley Sapphire
Cost: $3 per family per visit
What to bring
Hat
Water bottle
Piece of fruit to share for morning tea
Membership is required.
Membership forms are available from playgroup.

TUCKSHOP RE-COMMENCES ON FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER
This week the menu will be the same as last term.
Volunteers are still needed to help out in the tuckshop so please contact the school on 49811111.

NOVEMBER NIGHT MARKETS
@ the museum
Saturday 2 Nov
Halloween Party!! 6:30 start
Fancy Dress
Saturday 30th Nov
Christmas Magic 6:30 start
Santa Visits 7:30pm

Anakie State School Newsletter
Students of the Week
14th October 2013
Prep Angel Nunan - making outstanding progress with sight words and reading.
1/2 Jack Owens - improvement in his writing.
2/3 Nicolas Swanson - Putting in an awesome effort to improve his cursive writing.
4/5 Jacob Gittens - working hard to catch up on and complete History.
6/7 Brandon Cavanagh - showing focus and care in class.
Gotchas - Cooper Cavanagh, Tauhili Iona, Cooper Cavanagh, Ryan Caygill, Fenika Iona, Tomika Boon.
Principals Awards—Tomika Boon - setting a great example in all her work. Cassidy Lawrence - working hard on her story writing over the holidays.
5/6/7 CAMP BRISBANE
DREAMWORLD
SUNCORP STADIUM
RIVERCAT CRUISE
PARLIAMENT HOUSE
SCIENCE CENTRE