Date Claimers

1st Term
Tues 29th Jan - Thurs 28th March

2nd Term
Mon 15th April - Fri 21st June

3rd Term
Mon 8 Jul - Fri 20th Sept

4th Term
Mon 7th Oct - Fri 13th Dec

Parade – 2.30 pm Monday
Tuckshop – Friday
Phys Ed - Wednesday
P & C Meeting - every second Monday of the month in School Resource Centre

New school number

As part of our new school phone system the school has changed its number. The new number is 4981 1111

From the Principal

Reading Support at home
Tip #4
Look for opportunities to encourage your child’s reading skills when you’re out and about together. Even before they can read, children can begin to recognize signs for toilets, entrance, exit, stop, danger etc.

School improvement Agenda
Throughout 2013 Anakie SS will be focusing on whole school improvement in two key areas:

1. Reading
The staff will be focusing on reading with the students and will be working on how reading is taught in every room. The aim of this focus will not be centred on just reading but how our students comprehend what they read. In the past twelve months we have seen good improvements in reading and we are striving to continue this trend in 2013.

2. Explicit Instruction – Whole school approach to learning
Explicit instruction is the main pedagogical approach used in delivering new concepts to students at Anakie. Since July last year teachers have been training and delivering explicit instruction lessons to students. These lessons use a direct teaching model to ensure new concepts are taught and learnt effectively.

Parenting Ideas

Most parents would have noticed the new additional page that has been added to the newsletter this year. In the past two newsletter articles have been sent out with simple and effective parenting suggestions. These parenting ideas come from a man named Michael Grose. Michael is a world renowned parenting expert. His website has a range of videos, articles and communication options. I highly recommend this website as a parenting resource. http://www.parentingideas.com.au/

Ipad ICT Afternoon
The teachers would like to thank all of the parents and community members who came to the first ipad afternoon last week. The afternoon worked really well and the feedback from participants was very positive. For those beginning the journey around mobile technology it was a great place to start and even for those already using it frequently at home the apps presented provided some useful information for their children at home. We are aiming to run another two sessions next term. One will be for beginning users and the other for more advanced users. The apps presented in each session will be similar. The pace of the session will be the major difference. Once again thank you to those parents who came.

Celebration | Date
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Good Friday | 29/3/2013
Upper School - Mathemagics

Mathemagics is a great extension maths learning tool for older students. Students can practise the skills required to solve difficult equations in their head. Step by step instructions and tutorials are part of the app. This app is recommended for children from 9 years to adults.
COME ALONG AND SIGN ON
SEASON COMMENCES
SUNDAY 24th MARCH
AND THEN BREAKS
OVER EASTER AND RECOMMENCES ON
SUNDAY 28th APRIL
TIME: 3PM
WHERE: ANAKIE STATE SCHOOL OVAL
WHAT TO BRING: WATER BOTTLE,
HAT AND BE READY TO RUN, JUMP,
THROW, HAVE FUN AND BE HEALTHY

GEMFIELDS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
EASTER SUNDAY MASS
ANAKIE HALL
10:30 AM
31ST MARCH 2013
ALL WELCOME

2013 PRIMARY SCHOOLS TOUCH COMPETITION
SIGN ON EMERALD TOUCH FIELDS
Yrs 4/5 and 6/7 boys and girls
Monday 15th & Weds 17th April from 5:30pm-9:00pm
Fees $70 per child cash or cheque
For more information contact the school or emerald touch on 49824182
Email: emeraldtouch1@bigpond.com
Students of the week

18th March

Prep - Flynn Hardy - persisting and making outstanding progress with sight words.
Year 1/2 - Emily Carew - always doing her personal best and setting a great example for others.
Year 2/3 - Ryk Gittens - providing excellent answers to author’s purpose questions.
Year 6/7 - Fenika Iona - proactive in being organised and being a great example of being a Learner—well done!!

Gotchas - Jack Beaton, Kirra Horvath, Ryk Gittens, Christopher Johnson,
Music - Matilda Perry, Ryk Gittens, Sarah Titheradge, Kaylee McCandless.
Principal’s Award - Krystal Tulk - working very hard on her sight words.
Anna Halinen - for always presenting very neat work.

25th March

Prep - Gracie Pugh - always putting in her best efforts and achieving well in prep.
Year 1/2 - Roman Bunker - showing amazing improvement in the letters and sounds he knows.
Year 2/3 - Millie Griffin - Improving her writing when completing activities.
Year 4/5 - Grace Taylor - consistently showing good listening skills and presenting a high level of work.
Year 6/7—Rhett Sampson - being organised and finishing his assessment early. Well done!

Gotchas - Malika Roan, Jamie Dixon, Ryk Gittens, Sunny Adams and Sophie Gibson.
Principal’s Awards - Flynn Hardy and Kathleen Wilson - working hard on his reading presenting neat work.

SCHOOL BANKING
EVERY THURSDAY

Our school will receive $5 when a student makes their first School Banking deposit plus a commission of 5% on every deposit made (up to $10 per individual deposit).