Dear families and friends,

A busy fortnight on campus has unfolded with many exciting updates to share with families, friends and communities alike. As we reach the halfway mark of the busiest last term on the school calendar we must ensure we remain consistent in our home and school routines to ensure students finish strong in all areas of their lives, especially their academic testing.

Facilities Update

If you have been on campus and felt the school looks a little different, then you are quite right. The sandpit shelter was removed and new fresh high quality river sand was donated and delivered by Central Highlands Quarry. They also donated all the soft sand for the renewal of the playground forts. This work was all undertaken by Kris Nillson and if you see these locals around or need their services, then I sincerely appreciate their help.

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Sports
Term 1 - Swimming
Term 2 - Athletics
Term 3 - Various
Term 4 - Swimming

Banking
CommBank - Thursday

Book Club
Issue - #8 - Due - 16 November
hope you shake their hands and say thanks, because without them, none of that work would have happened last weekend. Our playgrounds and sandpit have never been safer or more fun for your students due to their commitment to their local state school. We also had the old louvre banks replaced with a fresh new solution in our assembly space as well as bibs and bobs being tackled by tradies left, right and centre.

Swimming Update

Our Swimming Program has been redesigned from the ground up. Through the partnership between school and P&C we now have 6 qualified AustSwim staff and 2 parents qualified (Learn to Swim and Competitive Strokes), the latest RSSLQ AquaPak lesson plans and resources and a ratio of instructors to students, that is now the envy of every school in the district and I dare say the region, possibly the state. Whilst we began small, the swimming program is now sustainable for years to come and we will be discussing moving the Swim Program to Term 1 next year as well as the refreshing of training and skills for our staff and parent instructors annually.

I couldn’t be more proud of the dedication of the staff and parents and the partnership that has led to making sure the students at Anakie State School have the best swimming program possible. I believe a special mention is deserved for Mrs Louisa Gittens and Miss Kayla Paulsen who also gave up their weekends and are supporting Swimming Program weekly to ensure it happens, as planned now, and into the future.

Day for Daniel

A fortnight ago we remembered our mate Daniel Morecombe and the child safety teachings and learnings we all took away as schools, families and communities from this tragic event. We spoke with all children on this annual occasion to remember to Recognise, React and Report. We must trust our gut instinct, do something about it and let someone know so that we feel safe in our homes, schools and communities.

World Teachers’ Day

A fortnight ago we thanked all our Teachers at school with certificates from the children coordinated in secret by Teacher Aides. We thank all our Teachers, classroom and specialists for everything they do everyday, often behind the
scenes, but always with the best of intentions for Anakie and Queensland students and families.

**Pre-Prep Update**

Our students all joined with the Pre-Preps and their families to enjoy a fantastic performance by the Musica Viva artists and it was an interesting smorgasbord of visual and auditory sense exploration. Creativity is overflowing at our school with our continued commitment to The Arts and whole school and parental engagement and involvement.

**School Banking and Book Club**

Just a reminder that the school runs the Scholastic Book Club and Commonwealth Banking Program and we hope that you enjoy these programs and that you get involved with these extra activities.

**Melbourne Cup and Free Dress Day**

We raised $122 through our Melbourne Cup Free Dress Day this year for the ‘Buy a Bale’. Well done and thank you to all students and families for their participation and undoubtedly our farming friends will be very appreciative of our support year over year as part of this fantastic program.

Have a fantastic week and take of family, friends and community!

*A Sound Mind in A Sound Body*
Benjamin Reed
Principal - breed15@eq.edu.au

**Explicit Improvement Agenda**

Literacy and Numeracy Aims - All students to be above the National Average in NAPLAN and improving at a rate greater than the nation.

Australian Curriculum Aims - All students achieving C+ or better in English, Mathematics and Science and making Adequate Yearly Progress or Value Adding in achievement.

**Current Permission Information**

Term 4 2015

- Emerald Dance Excursion - complete
- Swimming Program - Capella - complete
- Musica Viva @ Anakie SS - complete
Chappy’s Chat

Hi Everyone,

Wishing all student’s every success, during the end of year testing as we draw closer to the reporting and holiday period.

Chappy Averal

Student of the Week Awards

On our weekly Assembly, we present our Student of the Week Award, which recognises positive student achievements and can be nominated from any of our staff for many reasons - personal learning goal improvements, outstanding achievement, demonstrating leadership, or an attribute that exemplifies our motto, through compassionate and thoughtful acts that embody ‘A Sound Mind in A Sound Body’.

Term 4 - Week 3 and 4 - 2015

Prep/1

Kirra-Lee - Being a great friend.

Emma Deacon - Displaying confidence in mathematics.

Gotcha - Summah McCandless - Getting along.

Year 1/2

Violet King - Putting in a huge effort with Maths.

Jayden Osbourne - Fantastic effort writing his story.

Nicholas Gregg-Miller - Showing awesome manners at all times.

Gotcha - Lacey Hewitt - Getting along.

Year 3/4

Emily Carew - Always on task being a learner!

Ryk Gittens - Always completing tasks and doing his bit!

Chelsea Mccandleuss - Trying her best at completing task!

Gotcha - Roman Bunker - Persistence

Year 5/6

Gotcha - Sunny Adams - Getting along!

Music
Angie Grasser - Working well in a group.

Jackson Deacon - Showing improved confidence.

Prep/1
Jacob Lee - Super reader award.
Matilda Blake - Good attitude award.
Marty Berry - Working independently.
Gotcha - Karlisa Cox - Persistence

Year 1/2
Kaylee McCandless - fantastic work with spelling.
Poseidon Sullivan - putting in a fantastic effort in Maths.
Lilyarna Boon - persisting with solving word problems.
Gotcha - Max Woels - Emotional Resilience.

Year 3/4
Bonnie Berry - working hard on completing her assessment. Keep up the good work.
Amarah Lee - working hard at her assessments. Keep up the good work!
Telitha Osborne - working hard during class tasks. Keep up the good work!
Gotcha - Telitha Osborne - Getting Along

Year 5/6
Shakira Boon & Makena Horvath - Spelling improvement
Kayden Dillon - Huge effort across all areas of this classwork.
Gotcha - Kayden Dillon - Persistence

H.P.E
Prep/1 - Oliva Sandilands, 1/2 Lilyarna Boon - for identifying a variety of ways he/she stays healthy.
3/4 - Amarah Lee - for analysing and identifying a way to improve her lunchbox choices.
5/6 - Andon Boon - for the confidence and enthusiasm he displayed in Big Dog Cricket.

Music
Avah Cope - showing enthusiasm and respect for others.
Riley Beaton - performing confidently and being an excellent role model.
Community Information

Community fliers are scanned and emailed to families, once per week, from the Administration Office.

Please send community information for the newsletter to admin@anakiess.eq.edu.au

P&C CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The P&C are conducting a Christmas Raffle and need your help! Any items of non-perishable food, drinks or Christmas cheer would be appreciated. Please send items in with your child or drop into the office. Tickets will be sent home soon.

**Tickets $1 each

1st Prize: Wheelbarrow full of Christmas Cheer

2nd Prize: Handmade Patchwork Quilt (kindly donated by Judy Gittens)

3rd Prize: $50 Woolworths Voucher

Drawn: Wednesday 9th December - Presentation Night

GEMFIELDS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Church Services for November

Anakie Hall - 10:30am

November 8th - Liturgy of the Word and Communion

November 22nd - Mass

Enquiries - Anne Hatte - 4985 4154

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Anakie Hall - Monday 14th December - 7:30pm

Reverse Christmas Tree (small grocery item for hamper)

Shared Supper to follow - small plate of goodies please. Enquiries Anne Hatte - 4985 4154

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