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

From the Principal

Every Day Counts

As we reach the half way mark of Term 1, parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school on every school day unless there is a reasonable excuse for the student to be away, such as illness. Research shows that students who have a good attendance record are more likely to achieve high results. Going shopping, visiting family, staying up late, being tired or extending school holidays are not acceptable reasons to be away from school. Visit the Department of Education and Training website for more information: www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts.

Reading Support at home

Tip #2

Frequently let your child choose the book they want you to share with them... grit your teeth if this seems to be the one hundredth time in a row that they have chosen the same book! Young children love repetition and familiarity, and it really does help them to develop reading skills! Encourage them to join in with the bits they recognize.

Sign in at the office

In the interest of safety for the students’ parents are asked to report to the office and sign in when they are dropping off students late or picking students up after school. Last term this caused a large amount of confusion with parents not reporting they are picking up their children and the teachers on bus duty are looking for them. If you are planning to take you child off the bus for the day please contact the office or see the teacher on bus duty before taking them home. If parents are coming up to school during the day they must also sign in at the office in case of a fire or lockdown situation. Signing in only takes a few seconds.

Support the Parents and Citizens Association

The P&C Association of any school is one of the most vital sources of support a school has. In many cases P&C meetings are under attended due to parent concerns about being roped into a job or position with the group. While some positions need to be filled most parents are able to come to meetings and support school functions without stepping into a lead position. As a parent you may have some wonderful ways to raise funds, support the school or offer talents that will help the students. On the 18th of March the P&C will be holding its annual general meeting. I would love to see as many parents at the meeting as possible.

Celebration | Date
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Good Friday | 29/3/2013
Easter Mon | 1/4/2013
ICT Afternoon
The school will be holding an ICT information afternoon for an introduction to iPads for parents, carers and community members. The information afternoon will be held at the school in the resource centre on 19th of March from 3:00p.m. to 3:30p.m. The afternoon will consist of a lower school and upper school information session. During the sessions you will gain hands on experience in the basic use of iPads and how they are being used in the classrooms. Please complete the expression of interest slip and return it to the school.

School Cross Country
On the final Monday of the term, 25th March, the students will be participating in the schools cross country trials. The students will be competing for their house, Zircon and Sapphire. Student in Prep-year 2 will be completing an obstacle course around the school. Year 3/4/5 students will be running 2kms and the year 6/7 students will be running 3kms. The course for the year 3-7 students will be run mostly outside of the school grounds so any parent/community support on the morning would be greatly appreciated. The races will begin with the 2km race at 9:15am, followed by the 3km race and finally the prep-year 2 obstacle course.

Little Athletics Visit
On Monday the 11th of March development officers from Little Athletics Queensland will be coming to school to hold mini athletic sessions with the students. Students of all grades will be participating and this is a great way to begin the school athletics season. More information will be sent home in the coming weeks.

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

App of the week

Lower School
ABC Reading Eggs – Eggy words (FREE)
This application provides lots of repetition to help your child memorise 100 high frequency words. Great for preps!

Middle School
Grammar Wonderland (FREE)
Who new learning and reinforcing grammar knowledge could be so much fun! Lead your character through grammatical adventures as you uncover nouns, verbs, adjectives and more!

Upper School - School A to Z
This app was designed by the NSW department of education. The app has a great English and Maths dictionary to help with homework. But the best feature of this app is the Spelling bee section. You can chose your level and play set spelling lists or set up your own weekly spelling lists from your class. Also you can practise your times tables in a game situation.
Mr Kurt Goodwin - Principal, School Captains Rhett Sampson, Riley Deeley, Vice Captains Tomika Boon and Justin Comiskey.

ANAKIE & DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS
SIGN-ON DAY

VENUE: ANAKIE STATE SCHOOL
DATE: SUNDAY 10TH MARCH
TIME: 3:00PM
SIGN-ON COST: Tiny Tots = $25.00
Under 6 = $50.00
Under 7 to Under 17 = $55.00
Club Shirt = Additional charge minimum $25

For more information call
Brooke Goodwin 0408073215

ARTSLINK QUEENSLAND
2013 YOUTH PROGRAM
The Three Endangered Animals
Thursday 7th March 2013
Cost $3 per student
Money due by Monday 4th March.

SLUSHIES WILL BE AVAILABLE EVERYDAY STARTING MONDAY 4TH MARCH AT 1ST LUNCH
$2 PER DRINK

ART EXHIBITION
TUESDAY 19TH MARCH
5:30PM
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
STUDENT ART WORK

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
This Friday 1st March
Yrs 3-7
Please send in permission for your child to walk to Anakie Hall

SCHOOL MARKETS
School markets will commence on the 3rd of March.
A letter for volunteers will be sent home in the coming weeks.
The markets is the major fundraiser for our school.
Please help if you can.

Bus Committee AGM
A bus committee meeting was held at the school on 26th February. All positions were filled.
Charmaine Deeley - President
Debbie Freeman - Vice President
Carissa Menear - Secretary
Committee members Helene Anderson, Deanne McLeod, Lisa Trussler and Marita Ward.
If you would like a copy of the minutes please contact Lisa on 49811111.
Students of the week

18th February

Prep - Poseidon Sullivan - persisting with sounding out challenges to read small words.
Year 1/2 - Jamie Ellem - working hard on her sight words
Year 2/3 - Trinity Smith - being focused and persisting with writing.
Year 4/5 - Alex McLeod - consistently working independently.
Year 6/7 - Aquila Sullivan - Improvement in handwriting and bookwork. Keep up the good work!!

Gotchas - Tauhili Iona, Ryk Gittens, Hannah Iona, Brandon Cavanagh, Cassidy Lawrence.

25th February

Prep - Tauhili Iona - showing persistence and a great improvement in number recognition.
Year 1/2 - Lochie Tucker - showing confidence while practising his sight words
Year 2/3 - Melita Iona - writing very neatly during handwriting.
Year 4/5 - Emma Halinen - showing enthusiasm and dedication when working on her assessment item.
Year 6/7 - Matilda Martin-Maher - being persistently “proactive” about your learning. Keep it up!!

Music - Dewarn Pusey, Violet King, Jamie Ellem, Pharaoh Sullivan, Brayden Ryder, Cooper Cavanagh, Aoura Sullivan, Leeroy Sandilands, Harry Ryan, Kirra Horvath.

Gotchas - Jackson Deacon, Jamie Ellem, Cooper Cavanagh, L’Roy Bunker, Edward Anderson.

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).