School Values:
- Safety
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Effort

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Saturday
20th July
- Sausage sizzle at Woolworths Sugarland shopping Centre 9am - 2pm

Friday
26th July
- Westpac Helicopter Rescue Service coming to the oval

Thursday
1st Aug
- St Luke’s for Jumps Day

Friday
2nd Aug
- Interschool Sports Day - Salter’s Oval

Friday 23rd Aug
- Chocolate Drive money and unsold chocolates returned

Principals Notes:

Arrival Times at School

Just a reminder that students should arrive at school no earlier than 8:20am in the mornings, when the Library is open. If your child does need to arrive earlier due to transport issues (but no earlier than 8:00am), they need to sit on the verandah outside the library. There is no supervision for students provided before 8:20am when the first bell rings.

Collection of Students

Just a reminder that adults should not congregate at classroom doors until after 3pm. Older students should be collected from the paved courtyard area to be getting them ready for High School.

School Opinion Survey

School Opinion Surveys will be sent home on Monday for parents to fill and return to school.

Every day counts

Being at school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year. Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year. More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/index.html

Absences

Parent/caregivers when phoning about a child being absent please state the name of the child, the reason and the duration of the absence, otherwise it marked as unexplained on the role.

So You Think You Can Play

On Wednesday, the 10th of July players from the Bulls and Bears QBL teams visited the school to play a fun game against each class from 1:40 -2:30pm. After four very tough quarters, the match ended in a draw. A big thankyou to the Bulls and Bears Players for coming. Photos later in the newsletter.

Very Long Term

This term is an eleven week term, so it is vital students follow our four behavioural expectations of:-
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- Responsibility

Students are expected to be at school everyday, giving their best effort in their school work and being a valued member of our school community. It is greatly appreciated by staff the continued support of parents reinforcing these expectations with your children.

Reading is important

- Reading has always been an important skill. In our modern world it is more important than ever.
- Children learn about the importance of reading as they watch family members use reading and writing for everyday purposes.
- Reading with your child at home will help your child in all learning areas of school.
- Children see you reading and writing in everyday life – reading for pleasure, sharing a story with your child, using a recipe, making a shopping list, writing a birthday card or reading street signs. This teaches them that reading and writing are useful skills in today’s world.
- Often parents are asked by the school to listen to their child read at home. It’s a good way of supporting your child’s reading. Books may be borrowed from your school library or your local library.
- Be confident that your child will learn to read.

What you can do at home to help

- Be yourself. Involve children in everyday conversations.
- Read aloud to children. It helps them to learn the language of books and will encourage them to enjoy books and reading.
- Talk about books, read together and make reading an enjoyable, shared activity.
- Make sure there is a wide range of reading material for your child at home, both fiction and non-fiction.

Interschool Sports

Permission letters will be send home for students attending Jumps Day and Salter Oval within the next few weeks.

Until Next Time
Shane Brogden,
Principal
Team work  Ball skills
Basketball Afternoon  Fun  Fitness
Special Awards

Keep up the great work
Reading Cinemas wants to help our school’s fundraising efforts by providing complimentary movie passes to be used as a fundraiser or as a student prize. Each time you go to the movies and purchase a ticket, hand in this coupon at the box office and earn 1 point for our school.

In 2001 (over 12 years ago) the Government introduced the 'Child Tax Offset' and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

HAVE YOU MISSED OUT ON THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS?

If your child was born between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004 you may be eligible to receive up to $12,500 in entitlements.

The government has now put a deadline on this entitlement so please email childoffset@twelve.com.au to receive more information or call us on 9524 2744.

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