From the Principal

Year 6 Excursion at QUT Caboolture

Our School Vision

To provide a safe, respectful learning community achieving success through positive relationships

As you are aware learning is the work here at Morayfield State School. We provide rich learning experiences to our students. Over the last fortnight this has included the year 6 students visiting the Caboolture Campus of QUT. They were provided with a range of activities which gave them opportunities to explore the benefits of attending QUT. Many students came back to school with a much richer picture of the future possibilities.

All students have taken part in Start Smart = Smart Money program provided by the Commonwealth Bank. This week students are attending the RACQ Streets Ahead program. These programs compliment the learning programs happening in the classrooms every day.
Attendance Absence Line 5431 6260

Last week’s whole school daily attendance –
It is a great concern that we did not reach our 90% attendance target on any day last week.

Monday 86%  83 students absent
Tuesday 87.1 % 78 students absent
Wednesday 87.2% 77 students absent
Thursday 89.2% 63 students absent
Friday 85.6% 85 students absent

Over the next few weeks if your child’s attendance is below our target of 90% you will receive a letter which will inform you about your child’s attendance percentage.

School Cleaners Day
Next Monday 15th of June is a day that we recognise the fantastic contribution to our school by our awesome cleaners. The cleaners are here first thing each morning and leave last each afternoon to ensure that the staff and students come to school to a clean organised learning environment.

Parent Behaviour
Over the last few weeks there have been a number of parents/caregivers who have not displayed appropriate behaviours in the office and classrooms. It is not acceptable to raise your voice and use swear words at school and this will not be tolerated. Adults in the school are expected to model Respect for Others and need to remember this is an education setting where all adults should model positive behaviour for our students with words and actions.

Parents/caregivers behaving in this manner will be provided with a warning and if the behaviour is repeated they may be banned from the school grounds for a period of time.

Report Cards
Teachers are currently writing student report cards which will be sent home in the last week of school. If you require a second report for another parent please provide the office with an email address so that the report can be sent. Parent teacher interviews will be held in term 3.

I would like to thank and acknowledge the work done by our P&C in organising and holding our first twilight markets. This was our first big fundraiser for the year and it was a huge success. Great job everyone!

Thanks also to those families who came and supported this event.

Aim High

Vicky Gahan
Principal

Morayfield Munchkins

Prep to Grade 3

Deputy News

Pirate Day Friday 12 June – Gold Coin Donation

Our Student Council is supporting Pirate Day this Friday 12 June. It’s a national fundraising day raising funds and awareness for research into the cure and prevention of Childhood Brain Tumours. The event takes place annually on the second Friday in June. On Friday the students (and the teachers) get the chance to wear a pirate patch and bandana for the day in exchange for a gold coin donation. Students are required to wear their full uniform on Friday 12 June.
Start Smart = Money Smart
Congratulations to our students who participated in the Commonwealth Bank Start Smart program which teaches students about financial literacy, empowering them to make wise financial decisions for themselves. The workshops were engaging as well as educational, featuring characters such as Captain SuperCents and Coach Cash, who represents all the temptations to spend money needlessly.

Leanne DeLamour from Start Smart was very impressed with our students and sent us this positive feedback.
I visited your school last Friday and today delivering the Commonwealth Banks StartSmart program and I wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate you on a wonderful school. Today was my first day on the job, unsupervised and I delivered to all your year five and six classes.
They made this a stress free event for me and I felt very connected to them and shared some of their dreams and goals. Thank you once again for the privilege of delivering these great workshops to your students.

RACQ Streets Ahead
In week 8 of this term, the RACQ Road Safety Education program “Streets Ahead” will visit our classes, teaching us how to be safe pedestrians, passengers and bike riders. For videos explaining the content in the RACQ program, please scan the below codes using a smartphone or click the links below.

Crossing the Road  Safety Door  Bike Safety

Excursion Reminders
Yr 2 – Bli Bli Castle!
Payment is due by Friday 17th June for the Yr 2 excursion to Bli Bli Castle on Wednesday 24th June. The cost is $20.00 per child which includes the entry fee and transport to Bli Bli.

Prep – Underwater World
Prep students will be going to Underwater World Mooloolabah on Tuesday 16th June.

Save the date – Year 3 31st July
In Term 3 the Year 3 and Year 3/4 classes will be participating in an excursion to the Brisbane Planetarium and Botanical Gardens on Friday, 31st July 2015. It will be approximately $26.00 per child which includes return bus transport, entry and presentation at the Planetarium and a lesson in the Botanical Gardens. A letter confirming the cost will be sent as soon as possible.

Amanda Wicks
Deputy Principal Prep – Yr 2

Yr4-6 Deputy News

Reconciliation Celebration/Under 8’s Day
This year we will be combining our Reconciliation celebration with under 8’s day. The big event will be held on Wednesday, June 17th. Our P-2 celebrations will run from 8.45 to 10.45am and our Year 3-6 celebrations will take place from 11.20am to 1.20pm. We are looking forward to having as many community members as possible join us to help celebrate in the spirit of reconciliation. As a school, we are very proud of the contributions made by our Indigenous students and their families. There will be many exciting activities available on the day. Reconciliation celebrations allow us an opportunity to come together as a school community to create positive partnerships based on acceptance and understanding. We look forward to seeing you all on the day!!

STEM Enrichment program at Morayfield State High School
This Friday, 22 students selected from year 6 will spend the day immersed in science, technology, engineering and mathematics activities at Morayfield State High School. QUT will be on hand to ensure our students are exposed to a variety of engaging enrichment activities.

Student Leaders
Last week on assembly, we presented our second intake of senior leaders with their badges. These students had demonstrated their ability to follow our respect rules at all times. They have shown initiative and a desire to improve by setting high standards for themselves. We are very proud of their efforts to earn their badges.

Michelle Cubis
Deputy Principal