



# RICHLANDS EAST STATE SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

We have certainly started term 3 and are now entering into week 6 which is past the half way point. Last week our school commemorated and reflected on NAIDOC Week. Ms Plumb and her team consisting of Ms Collins, Aunty Justine and Ms Thuy organised a respectful and memorable celebration around Our Languages. Many parents approached me after the ceremony to say 'best NAIDOC ceremony ever'. Thank you to those staff for spending time and effort ensuring that the students received a strong and reflective message as we paid respect to our Indigenous culture and families.

The week before last saw the Prep to Year 2 students compete in the P to 2 Athletics Carnival. They had an absolute ball and thoroughly enjoyed the 'new look' games. Thanks to the parents who attended the event and cheered on their little ones. Well done Mr Easton for a wonderful day of fun for our students.

### Behaviour

Two weeks ago I spoke with students regarding the number of children being referred to Eagles' Nest. As a whole staff we addressed this with students and I am happy to say that the number of referrals have dramatically dropped. The vast majority of our students come to school each and every day and are respectful, responsible and resilient. I thank those students for their continued efforts. Thank you to families for supporting our positive behaviour values at school.

Rewards Day for half term 3 is scheduled for this Thursday. Students will be treated to a movie and popcorn.

### NAPLAN - 2017

It is with pleasure that I release preliminary NAPLAN results for years 3 and 5 students. I am happy to discuss more specific results with families – please feel free to contact me as I love nothing more than discussing the continued improvement and achievement of our children. Individual reports will be sent to parents very shortly.

### YEAR 3

Our best results for year three were in the areas of Reading and Writing. 94.1% of our students are achieving above the national minimum standard in reading and a huge 96.1% in writing. The writing results of our students was higher than the Nation results.

42.9% of our year 3 students are achieving in the upper two bands (highest two levels) in both spelling and numeracy.

Our year three students continue to achieve higher and higher results each year.

### YEAR 5

Over 80% of our year five students are achieving national minimum standard in reading, grammar and punctuation, spelling and numeracy. Over a quarter of our students are achieving the highest bands in grammar and punctuation and numeracy.

Some very pleasing results and continued improvement for our students.

Until next fortnight. Stay safe.

Kim Schembri - Principal

## From the Deputy Principal



*Hello Eagles,*

*Who would believe that we are halfway through the term. Time flies when we have fun!*

*Last week saw us say 'farewell for now' to Mrs Wooten as she heads to the UK to teach. She will be missed at RESS but I can guarantee her new school will love having her there as part of the team and will probably not want to let her go anytime soon. We welcome Ms Danni-Marie Herrick who will teach Mon, Tues, Wed and Fridays. Miss Thuy will teach Thursdays.*

*Last Friday in Assembly each teacher received badges for all the students in their classes to celebrate 50 years of RESS. I hope that they wear them with pride for the rest of the year.*

*This week we will celebrate our rewards day with Movies and Popcorn. All the students who have been respectful, responsible and resilient will participate.*

*Stay safe Eagles*

*Mrs Aitken-Carruth*



Year 5 students are learning about natural disasters in Geography this term. Students were asked to make an informative poster and a 3D model for their chosen natural disaster. Students worked hard on their projects and produced awesome work. They can be seen feeling proud of their work in these photos.



This past fortnight we have bid farewell to two of our valued staff members. Mrs Wooten was our grade 3W teacher and is leaving to work as a teacher in London. Mrs Gwen Bryant has retired after working at Richlands East State School as a cleaner for the past 18 years.

They will both be missed but we all wish them the very best.

# Meet the Staff

This week we meet our Science Teacher Ms Milli Tuinona.

Favourite colour: Orange

Favourite food: Middle Eastern

Favourite Holiday destination: China

Favourite Sport: Netball and boxing

Hobbies: Hiking and Cooking

Family: 2 brothers, 2 sisters, Husband and 2 sons.

Job: I have been working as a teacher for the past 10 years

First Car: Ford Festiva







# NAIDOC Celebrations



Last Thursday 3rd August we celebrated NAIDOC week at our school. It was a wonderful morning with our Korabra dance group members performing the Welcome Dance, a 'Greedy Possum Performance' and the farewell closing dance. Our year 6 leaders presented to the audience the meaning of NAIDOC and we heard from our special guest and Community Leader Aunty Theresa. There was a heart warming performance by zC and the Choir did a great job with the TI stick dance. Special guests and parents were invited to stay for a special morning tea and the students enjoyed a sausage sizzle.



## Our Languages Matter



## Science Gala Day



On the 9th August, 6 of the year 5 students were selected to participate in the Science Gala Day at Glenala High School.

The children had a great time and competed against other schools from the area in various science experiments.

Some experiments consisted of the constructing a parachute to drop an egg from the balcony without breaking. We were one of two schools to succeed!

They experimented with different chemicals which were used in fireworks to show the different colours.





## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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|-------------------|--|
| 14 Aug            | Ekka, 5B, 5S, 5/6H, 6K, Leaving School 8.30am, Returning 3.30pm.               |
| 16 Aug            | Ekka show public Holiday. No school on this day.                               |
| 21 Aug-1 Sept     | P&C Fathers Day Stall, Before school and at 1st break.                         |
| 23 Aug            | P&C Meeting, MPH, 9am, All welcome.  |
| <b>Every Week</b> |  |
| Mondays           | Playgroup 8.45-10.45am, Richlands East State School, MPH                       |
| Tuesdays          | Free food give away, donated from Coles. Outside Administration Office, 2.45pm |
| Wednesdays        | School Banking, 9am, Office  |
| Mon-Thurs         | Breakfast Club 8.10am, Multipurpose Hall                                       |
| Fridays           | Years P-3 Assembly - 1.45 pm, Activities Hall                                  |



Our RESS girls football team progressed through to the inter regional finals stage of the Karyn Murphy Cup. We came up against Harris Field State School who proved to be tough competition. The girls played exceptionally well on the day. They showed great team spirit, toughness and resilience. Harris Fields were the winners on the day winning both games 26-12 and 14-6. Special mention to Shania who scored 10 points for us on the day with 2 tries and a conversion. Also our player of the day was Rayanah who carried the ball strongly for us all day. However well done to all the girls who played and the fantastic behaviour and sportsmanship you showed.



### Enrolling Now For 2018

Enrolments for 2018 have commenced. We are the first choice for secondary education for local families. The enrolment process at Glenala State High School requires a compulsory interview. An appointment can be arranged by contacting the office on 3877 4222. Glenala State High School is an enrolment managed school. To ensure you are eligible to enrol in our catchment area please visit <http://www.qgso.qld.gov.au/maps/edmap/>



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