



Woody Point Special School

17th March 2017



From the Principal

Next P&C Meeting and AGM

Our next scheduled P&C meeting is Mon 20th March at 9:30am, followed immediately by our Annual General Meeting. I'd like to encourage all families to come along and learn about the great things the P&C do to contribute to the school. Hope to see you there.



Trivia Night

My sincere thanks to the Redcliffe City Junior Cricket Club for hosting a trivia night to raise funds for the junior playground. Looking forward to a great night and very appreciative of the community support. (See info further on).

Annual Improvement Priorities 2017

Every year as part of our planning processes schools develop an Annual Implementation Plan which outlines the improvement priorities for our school for the year ahead. This plan is not an exhaustive 'to do' list of everything that has to happen in the school that year. Rather it is a small focussed set of goals designed to have an impact on student learning outcomes.

This year our plan focusses on 3 target areas: Data Literacy, Pedagogy (teaching) and Community.

Data:

- Develop teacher and school leader expertise in data analysis to inform effective teaching and learning.
- Implement and engage in regular, scheduled data discussions to inform Individual Curriculum Plans, guide teaching and prompt early intervention.
- Identify and implement a relevant whole school tool for the collection and analysis of student well-being.
- Identify and implement a relevant whole school numeracy data collection tool.
- Analyse trends in attendance data at the whole school, class and individual student level and implement strategies to increase student attendance.

Community:

- Provide a range of opportunities for the parent communities across both schools to engage in the consultation process regarding the development of a new partnership agreement for the Peninsula Special Schools.
- Improve the quality of online information provided to parents and the community through the schools website, Facebook page and SMS service.

Pedagogy (teaching):

- Embed classroom profiling as a standard practice for teachers.
- Develop structures that enable teachers and teacher aides to engage in the observation and discussion of effective teaching and learning.
- Enable teachers and teacher aides to engage in effective coaching and observational feedback opportunities to improve teaching practices in priority areas: Positive Behaviour for Learning, Intensive Interaction, Literacy and Age Appropriate Pedagogies.
- Develop and strengthen collegial partnerships with teachers and teacher aides across Woody Point Special School and Redcliffe Special School.

Below is a copy of THE BIG STUFF 2017. This is a poster that you will see in various areas around the school to remind staff and community of our priorities for the year. Later in 2017 we will undergo a school review which will inform the development of our new 4 year plan.



Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)



Hi Everyone

I am sure everyone at the school knows and loves me by now, for those of you who are still getting to know your way at Woody Point Special School my name is Pel and I am the Woody Point Special School PBL mascot. My job is to help students with the 3 whole school expectations of

I can be a Learner

I can be Safe

I can be Respectful

Each fortnight on Parade I help Ric hand out the awards for the students who have been displaying the whole school expectations. I also choose one student from each sector of the school who has been working really hard to receive the *Golden Pelican Award*. It is so exciting to go around the school and see all our students focusing on being a learner. The focus in our school these past two weeks has been on:

- I can be a Learner - "I can ask for help" and "I am organised and ready to learn".

Three students received the prestigious *Golden Pelican Award* and had their photo taken with me.

Last fortnight's *Golden Pelican Award* winners were

Sector	Student	Reason
Early Years	Tyson	For working hard to make great choices and staying on task
Junior	Amira	For working so hard in all classroom activities
Mid / Sen	Slade	For settling into WPSS so well

Congratulations to those students and to all of the students who received awards on parade. Keep up the good work everyone and thanks to our wonderful families who help support our positive behaviour program by talking about this at home with your students.

The learning focus for this fortnight is :

I can be a learner ...- "I can follow community rules" and "I can be an active listener"

I look forward to seeing you at assembly this Friday!

Early Years 3

Deb, Shemsa, Rachael [Friday]

Early Years 3 have been busy settling into class, making new friends and finding lots of things that we like to play.



Latrell & William model ladybeetle hats. Oliver matches words.



Tyson snaps the paparazzi. Kywan's not sure about jelly. Oliver loves "Move It".



Latrell makes playdough shapes. William has Lego. Tyson's proud of his playdough. Kywan is threading.

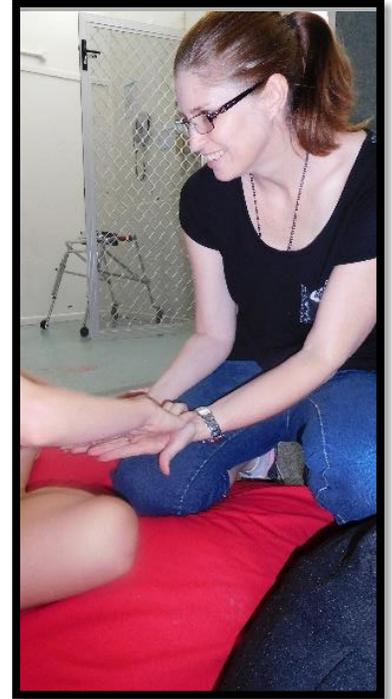


We are all learning about making friends, sharing and taking turns.

Middle 3

We have had a busy term settling into our classroom and building relationships with the students. Intensive Interaction is an integral part of the program and students have engaged in many meaningful interactions with staff. Students have been developing their fundamentals of communication including learning to be with another person, turn-taking, understanding eye contact and increasing concentration and attention.

Students have enjoyed daily visits to the gym and love participating in a range of gross motor activities. Our class also enjoys swimming once a week, and this is definitely a highlight for the boys!! They do exceptionally well during this program.



Our class enjoys music, sensory play, water play and being outside. The boys are very active and love to burn off lots of energy throughout the day! Another focus is daily life skills and some students have been working on making toast and completing a range of simple meaningful tasks.



Family Fun Community Trivia Night



We only have 4 tables left for our trivia night, so if you want to come along, get in quick. Tickets are \$10 each - make your own table of six, or we may have single tickets available to join another table.

Make sure you bring your fully loaded wallets - we have lined up some very exciting auctions and prizes for the night, including signed memorabilia.

Bring your appetite as well - there will be plenty of food and drinks available for purchase.

Come dressed as your favourite cricket player, or pay the gold coin fine!

We can't wait to see you all there!!

For any questions or bookings, call Neal Smith 0434 305 248

Huge thanks to Redcliffe City Cyclones Junior Cricket Club who have organised this for the benefit of our school



NDIS - ARE YOU READY?

NDIS READINESS WORKSHOP

What you need to know to be ready for the NDIS and have confidence and authority to take control of your life

- Understand what the NDIS will mean for you
- Prepare for the NDIS process
- Know what to ask for
- Form a relationship of support and security with Parent to Parent

DATE: 28th March 2017

TIME: 10 am - 12 pm

LOCATION: Redcliffe Cultural Centre

Down Street

Redcliffe Qld 4020

Refreshments provided.

Registrations are available online at www.parent2parentqld.org.au/events or by calling Parent to Parent on Freecall: 1800777723

Please register. Spaces limited.

This workshop is an NDIS Participant Readiness activity funded by the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services.



Dates to Remember

P&C Meeting and AGM
20th March 9.30am

Morning Assembly
31st March 8.50am

Healthy & Active MORETON



Active HOLIDAYS

April 2017

Bookings are essential for some activities.

For more information call 5433 2052 or visit mbrc.qld.gov.au/activeholidays