FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 2. I am pleased to be able to continue as the Principal at Deception Bay State School. It is a genuine pleasure working with the students, staff and families in “The Bay” to ensure our school operates successfully. At the end of Term 2, we said farewell to Ms Cogle who is now enjoying a new challenge at Morayfield East SS. Each class was invited to share a piece of cake with Ms Cogle and personally say farewell to her.

Over the next couple of weeks, you will see construction crews working around the school. They will be upgrading our wireless internet service which will make the use of iPads and electronic devices more accessible for learning. Some of the buildings within our school contain Asbestos so we will be working closely with the experts to ensure that work is completed in a safe manner around our students. Classes will be relocated at various times to allow for this to occur. Please be aware of NO ENTRY signs on buildings where work is being carried out and follow all instructions on the signage.

Each year students in Years 3 & 5 participate in a National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling and grammar) and Numeracy. NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills the students have already learnt in class. Teachers have been working with students to ensure they are familiar with the test format and they will provide the appropriate support and guidance to students during the tests. This year the tests will occur on 10th, 11th & 12th May. You can best prepare your child by:
- Making sure they have a good night sleep before the tests
- Making sure they eat breakfast before coming to school
- Encouraging them to try their best.

Upcoming Important Dates

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You are welcome to drop in and see me, telephone me on 38972444 or email me on the.principal@decebayss.eq.edu.au with any queries or concerns.

Warm Regards
Trudi Ivins
ACTING PRINCIPAL
For the next two weeks, students will be continuing to focus on the CARE aspect of the D Bay 3 rules. We are looking at “Care when Lining Up” and “Care in Eating Areas”.

Congratulations to the D Bay 3 winners for the last week.
Ryan 5M
Maddisyn 5M
Zoey 6G

P & C News

Uniform Shop

Uniform Price Increase: Tracksuit Pants & Skorts are now $20.00

Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Wed 4th May 8:00am – 8:20am and 2:30pm – 3:00pm
Thurs 5th May 8:00am – 8:20am
Students are to bring NO MORE THAN $10.00 to school.

Tuckshop News

Congratulations to our new Tuckshop Convenor Katie Allison. Thanks to Kayla Lawton for all her hard work over the past few years as Tuckshop Convenor. If you have spare time and would like to volunteer at the school please see Katie for more details on how you can help.

FACEBOOK

Deception Bay State School now has a facebook page. Please like our page so you can receive our posts of important school information.

Head Lice

We have had numerous reports of head lice in our school at the moment. We have free bottles of Pyrenel Lice Foam available from the office for anyone that would like one.

Sports News

CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country/Fun Run will be this Thursday 21st April 2016.

DENTAL VAN

The Dental Van now requires a parent/legal guardian or a nominated adult representative to be in attendance at all appointments for children and adolescents aged 14 years or less. Children will no longer be called over from class for dental treatment without an adult present. Exceptions for patients over 14 years of age will be considered on a case by case basis. This is a requirement from Metro North Oral Health who are committed to improving the oral health of our children.
Please remember to bring your child’s Medicare Card to every appointment.

Attendance News

Regular school attendance will mean that your child gets a better chance at life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day:
- They learn better
- They make friends
- They are happier
- They have a brighter future.

This Weeks Attendance

90.3%

Well done to all the students who attended school every day.

If your child is absent please call attendance line 3897 2466.

Say No to Bullying

The School participated in the National Day of Action Against Bullying on Friday 18 March.

ANZAC Day March

Students are welcome to attend the Deception Bay ANZAC march. School Representatives will be meeting opposite the Deception Bay Library outside the restaurant at 5:20am on 25th April 2016. The march concludes at the Hall with a ceremony following.