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Term 1, Week 4—17th February 2022

Caring, Sharing, Working Together

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians the Yuggera and Ugarapul peoples of this land in which we gather and we pay our respects to Elders past, present and the emerging little ones. We recognize their deep connection to Country over thousands of years. May their strength and wisdom be with us in every classroom, walkway and conversation across our school.

From the Principal

Dear Families,

Each year, Riverview State School develops an explicit improvement agenda. Using a range of data sets, we have identified the following priorities for 2022:

- Improved learning outcomes for all students in English by:
- Engagement in Intentional Collaboration
- Implementing high yield teaching strategies in every classroom
- Developing a differentiation framework to meet students' needs
- Promoting curriculum learning in the community
- Create and maintain a safe, supportive and respectful place of teaching and learning by:
- Implementing the Student Code of Conduct
- Explicitly teaching and modelling socio-emotional skills
- Developing and implementing the Student, Staff and Parent and Community Wellbeing Frameworks
- Improving student attendance

We look forward to sharing key strategies and successes in future newsletters.

In 2022, we continue to be part of the Support Review. On 22nd February, we meet with the Review team to complete our phase 3 check in.

2022 Staffing Allocations

I have spoken to many families regarding 'day 8'. On the 8th day of the school year, student's attendance numbers are collected and staff allocations set. This year we will need to make changes to some of our classes in Year 3-6. This will be communicated to students and families who this will impact.

Dates to remember

Parade is held every Friday at 8:30am in the School Hall

3rd & 4th March- Prep—Yr2 Swimming

10th-11th March- Prep-Yr2 Swimming

11th March- Yr 5/6 Bundamba High Sport Day

16th March- Prep Vision Screening

17th & 18th March— Prep-Yr2 Swimming

21st March- Harmony Day

23rd March-Cross Country

23rd March-Parent Teacher Interviews

24th-25th March- Prep -Yr2 Swimming

29th March - Gala Day

30th March- Prep-Yr2 Easter Celebration

31st March- Celebration of Learning



COVID Update

Can I remind families that with COVID-19 prevalent in the community, please monitor your family for symptoms. If a family member is feeling unwell, please take them to a Queensland Health [test-ing clinic](#) where students will be prioritised for a free rapid antigen test (RAT).

If you, your child or a household member tests positive to COVID-19, please follow [Queensland Health guidelines](#) for reporting the test result, isolation and close contacts.

If students develop symptoms while at school, you will be contacted and asked to collect them. You will be provided with a free rapid antigen test (RAT) to administer at home.

For more information about Queensland's response to COVID-19, visit www.covid19.qld.gov.au

Parade

Due to COVID restrictions, we will host a weekly Parade via Microsoft TEAMS. Class and Specialist Teachers will present Student of the Week awards. In addition to this, I will present Principal awards to students who have been exceeding Riverview expectations.

Japanese

In 2022, Year 5 and 6 students will begin Japanese lessons in Week 3. Students will engage in lessons online through Brisbane School of Distance Education.

P&C

Are you interested in being part of the Riverview State School's P&C? Our P&C and subcommittee, PIPA, are integral part of our school community. We are seeking members in 2022. Please see Danny in the office for further details.

Every day counts

MOST STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY

It's important that children are at school all day, every day

OK reasons to stay home from school: sick, natural disasters

It's NOT OK to skip school to shop, sleep in, finish an assignment, go on holidays

EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS

Missing even 1 day can make a difference

1 day off school each fortnight = Missing more than a year of learning over 12 years

Each day's learning builds on what has been learnt before

Good attendance begins in Prep. It's where good habits begin

ATTEND ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

Each 1% increase in student attendance may relate to 2-3 NAPLAN scale score points

What parents can do:

- Promote the importance of school
- Get to know the teacher
- Go to school events
- Read the school newsletter
- Be organised at home
- Supervise homework
- Ask about your child's day
- Volunteer to help at school

Get involved in your child's school

For more information Go to the Every day counts website: <https://education.qld.gov.au/initiatives-and-strategies/initiatives/every-day-counts>

May 2021



Many thanks,

Yvette Phillips





Focus of the Fortnight

Every second Friday at our whole school assembly, students learn about our "Focus of the Fort-night". Every focus will be taught and practised in every classroom for two weeks. This fortnight's focus is to learn about and to practise our CARE expectations. Which are:



The 4 expectations might look a bit different in the classroom than in the playground or in the library. That's why all teachers use the school's behaviour matrix to teach students the expectations for each area. Below you can see an example what it looks like to "Commit" in different areas of the school.

	All Settings	Classroom	Movement	Eating/Drinking Area	Toilets	School ground	Parade	Eating time	Library	P.E.
Commit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be on task Be an active participant Be prepared and organised Always do your best Be at school every day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Always try your hardest Be an active learner Be on time Stay on task Ask questions for clarity if needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Line up quietly in your area in 2 straight lines Wait for teacher instructions Keep to the left of the path 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Line up and take turns Place orders before school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go to the toilet during break time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow game rules Move back to class on the bell Listen to duty area teacher Participate in games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen attentively and keep any noise to a minimum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen actively to others and think about things they tell you 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be on task Be an active participant and listener Be prepared and organised 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be on task Be an active participant and listener Be prepared and organised Ask questions for clarity if needed

If you would like a copy of our matrix, get in touch with administration, please. You can also easily create your own for home. What does it look like to be respectful at home? What does it mean to act safely at home? If you like any help to create your own "Matrix", please feel free to get in touch any time.

Best Regards,

Michael Coenen
Deputy Principal



HPE & Sport

Welcome back, parents, students and friends of our school. I hope you all had a safe and relaxing holiday. This shortened term will be a very busy term with sport and sport trials.

Our Preps, Year One and Year Two will begin swimming lessons at Bundamba Swimming pool. Swimming lessons will be on the following dates:

March 3, 4, 10, 11, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 and 25. Please see your teacher if you did not receive a permission slip. We look forward to another successful swimming program.

Our Inter-house cross country carnival will be held on Wednesday March 23, on the school oval. More information will be given out closer to the date. Training will be at school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 8.00 am. for students interested in getting ready for this event and then the District cross country.

There will be a soccer gala day against Woodlinks and possibly Collingwood Park and Redbank on March 29 for students in Year 4 to Year 6. Students will begin trials for making it into our school team for the gala day this week. Students will need to sign up for this as part of their Friday afternoon activities. We wish all players the best of luck.

We will also be having some lunchtime competitions. On Monday the Year 5 and Year 6 students will be able to go to the hall for a dodgeball challenge. On Tuesday it will be the Year 3 and Year 4 students. I look forward to seeing these challenges.

We have a number of District Trials coming up. Please be aware that only students who are capable of trialling at a District standard will be nominated for the trials. Players should be very capable club players to go. If you are interested in the trials please see me for nomination forms. Trials will be held after school and it is up to the individual to make own arrangements for travel to and from the venues. Please note nominations must be by submitted by myself. No paperwork - no trial.

Basketball Boys February 21 Woodcrest State College

Basketball Girls February 24 Woodcrest State College

AFL Girls February 21 Woodcrest State College

AFL Boys March 1 Woodcrest State College

10-11 Netball March 7 Woodcrest State College

10-12 Netball March 10 Woodcrest State College

Rugby League 10-11, 11-12 March 7 Redbank Plains JRLC

Hockey March 25 Ipswich Hockey

Touch Girls March 9 Westside Christian College

Touch Boys March 10 Westside Christian College

I hope you have a fantastic term

Yours in Sport

Gavin McLeod





Gardening Club

Hooray!

Our application to the [Organic Waste Smart Schools Program](#) was successful and we have received a total funding amount of \$2102 to implement the [RSS Composting Campaign](#).

The **Organic Waste Smart Schools Program** is a grant program which seeks to empower Queensland school aged children to become agents of long-term change to improve their school, home and community organic waste management and resource recovery practices and understanding.

The objectives of the Program are to:

1. Improve organic waste outcomes in Queensland schools
2. Improve understanding of organic waste reduction concepts in Queensland schools

The funding will enable us to purchase:

- 3 worm farms
- 3 worm farm starter kits
- 6 compost bins
- 10 food scrap buckets
- 14 colour coded bin sets (1 set per class)
- 3 white wheelie bins (for container collection)
- 3 yellow wheelie bins (recycling)

Watch this space for further information on how our **RSS Composting Campaign** will be rolled out and how staff and students can get involved with activities to reduce the waste at school through activities such as:

- Recycling
- Food scrap collection
- Composting
- Gardening
- Containers for change
- RSS waste audits

Some of these activities may be used in ways that support your teaching such as:

- data collection through audits
- weighing and measuring food scraps etc
- counting containers
- designing information posters for bins etc

Its super exciting and we are looking forward to learning and working together as a school as we grow in our understanding of how to live sustainably.

Thanks

Tracy, Caroline and the Gardening Club.





Dear Parent and Caregivers

We are updating our system and it is important to ensure all of our information is correct. These are the items we would like to update.

- **Anaphylaxis plans**
- **Other allergies (food, insects, medication, other)**
- **Asthma plans**
- **Contact details (yours and your emergency contact for the children)**
- **Email address and street address**

Having the correct information at all times helps us to keep your child safe and enables us to make contact when there is an emergency.

Please fill out the form attached to the back of the newsletter and send it back into school ASAP.

Tuckshop News

The tuckshop will only be open Thursday and Fridays, Please remember to have your orders placed by 9am at the tuckshop. Congratulations to our tuckshop volunteers for this year they are Jamalita Fraser, Megan Clelland, Lea Vyizigiro, Kitahna Ama, Elesi Tutaia Tauiiili, T.J Notoa, Holden Hawkins, Gizelle Faalua, James Limpus, Hannah Lankowski Simran Singh. Tuckshop menu attached.





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UPDATE OF STDENT DETAILS FORM

It is extremely important that we have correct, up-to-date details for your family.

Student details

Student _____ Class: _____

Student address: _____

Parent/Carer details

Parent/Carer
name: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Parent/Carer
name: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contacts

Emergency Con-
tact Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

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Medical Conditions

- ☐ My child has no current medical conditions
- ☐ Asthma – please provide a current Asthma Action Plan
- ☐ Anaphylaxis – please provide a current Anaphylaxis Action Plan

Details: _____

- ☐ Allergy/sensitivity

Details: _____

- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

Where relevant, please include any medical care plans or documentation from your doctor.

Please note that any medication to be administered at school **must** be accompanied by an action plan or doctor's letter and **must** carry a pharmacist's label (this includes over the counter medications). Parents/Carers must also complete a Request to Administer Medication form which is available from the office.