ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Thank you to everyone who attended.

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Welcome back everyone!

Every day counts

Parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school every day. Being at school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year.

Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year.

More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/index.html

This fortnights reading strategy: Reading Comprehension strategy Making Connections explained.

When children understand how to connect the text they are reading to their own lives, their comprehension will improve. Making Connections is when students make links to their prior knowledge. When information is read in isolation and not connected to what is already known, it is forgotten. Making connections to existing knowledge is vital if readers are to engage with new information.

There are three kinds of connections students can make when they read:

1. **Text to self connection** – when a reader relates what they read to their own personal experience. This helps make the text more meaningful.
2. **Text to text connection** – when a reader relates what they read to other texts they have read previously.
3. **Text to world connection** – when a reader relates what they have read to the wider world e.g. they may have seen something on television relating to what they have read, or heard someone else talking about it.

Language we use when making connections:

**That part reminds me of …**

**That happened to me once …**

**I know a person like this character …**

**This reminds me of another book I have read …**

**I saw a television program about this topic …**

Have a great fortnight!

**Mrs. Mac!**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**NEWSLETTER**

**1 May 2015**

**Term 2 / Week 2**

**Comming Up!**

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STUDENT AWARDS, ACHIEVEMENTS, EVENTS & NEWS

Students of The Week: T2 / Wk 2 - 28 April 2015
P12: Aaliyah Kruger 34: Taylor Hudson 56: Kelsey Wilson

School Camp
$240.00 / student
Payment due by Thursday, 21 May 2015.
Part payments welcome.
Payment in full must be received by 21 May. If paying by Internet Transfer please use the student name or invoice number as the reference.

School Times
Arrival: from 8:30am
Supervised Play: 8:30am to 8:50am
1st session: 8:55am
1st break: 9:00am
2nd session: 9:10am
2nd break: 9:20am
3rd session: 9:30am
Finish: 3:00pm
Please ensure that students are not at school before 8:00am. Staff do not start until 8:00am and are unable to guarantee their supervision and safety prior to this time.

Term Dates Length
Term 1 Tuesday, 27 Jan - 10 weeks
Term 2 Monday, 20 Apr - Friday, 26 Jun 10 weeks
Term 3 Monday, 13 Jul - Friday, 18 Sep 10 Weeks
Term 4 Tuesday 6 Oct - Friday 11 Dec 10 weeks

Queensland term dates - 2014

P & C Meeting
Monday, 25 May 2015
7:00pm

Student Sign In / Sign Out:
To ensure accurate records of student movements are kept please make sure you sign your child in or out if they are late, attending an appointment inside school hours, or have to leave early. The student sign in book is located in the office.

404 Oxford Word List:
Logan Smith

Student Absences
Student absences must be explained. This can be done by either phoning the office or sending a note with your child the following day.
Absences of 3 days or more require a doctor’s certificate.
Absences of 10 days or more require Principal approval.

Students of The Week: T2 / Wk 1 - 21 April 2015
56: Lachlan Hudson

404 Oxford Word List: Logan Smith

Above: Adopt a Cop Visit: (L-R) Hannah, Caleb and Riley check out the hand cuffs used by the police.

Above: Troop Train, Mrs. Mac, Bridget and Kelsey enjoying the ride on Friday 24th April

Left: Theebine Cross Country Races conducted on 23rd April. (L-R) Zane, Hannah, Bridget, Georgia, Jade-lee, Jemairla and Louise

Left: Congratulations to Kelsey for being selected for the Wide Bay Basketball Team. Good Luck at the State Championships in Brisbane.