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Principal’s Message

NAPLAN
This week students in Year 3, 5 and 7 have been completing the National Assessment for Literacy and Numeracy. Students who are absent for any test paper will be required to complete the paper by Friday of this week.

Thank you to parents and staff for their support to ensure that all students have the opportunity to demonstrate what they know to the best of their ability.

CHAPPY WEEK
May 20th – 26th 2013
Chappy Week is an annual event run by SU QLD to raise awareness of the value of school chaplains and to raise funds to support school chaplains. To mark ‘Chappy Week’ students are invited to participate in activities to celebrate. On Wednesday 22nd May we will have a Free Dress Day, with a gold coin donation to Chaplaincy. A sausage sizzle will be held at first break to raise funds for our Chaplaincy activities. Cost for a sausage on bread is $1.50.

Orders will be collected from each classroom on Wednesday morning.

Students will also be able to participate in a Paper Plane Competition on Wednesday and Thursday next week.

All you need to do is make a paper plane from 1 sheet of A4 paper, decorate it and bring it along to your class ‘flyoff’.

Assessment and Treatment of Fears and Anxiety in Children
Griffith University
Parents, is your child fearful of certain situations or do they seem to experience ongoing feelings of anxiety? At Griffith University, we are conducting a large-scale study for children (7 to 13 years of age) with anxiety that includes a thorough assessment and a novel, home-based treatment, using computers and telephone contact from a trained clinician.

We are providing this service at no cost to families. To find out more about this project, please contact our team on 07-3735 3418, cadrp@griffith.edu.au.

MUSIC NOTES

Senior Choir – If you have not yet been fitted for a Performance Uniform, please contact Mr Sapiecha by leaving a message at the office A.S.A.P. You will be fitted either Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday morning next week.

String/Band Students – If you haven’t been fitted yet you will be called up next Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday during school.

All students who have been fitted and have paid the performance uniform hire fee, please see the office to collect your uniform. I ask that parents try the uniforms on again at home and please contact me if there are any problems.

 Regards,
Aaron Sapiecha
Performance Uniform Coordinator

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Band Rehearsals
Due to NAPLAN Testing there will be no band before school. Band rehearsal is scheduled at 2.00pm this week. Lessons will be changed to ensure that no Year 5 or 7 student lessons are during NAPLAN Tests.

Advanced Music Camp August 22
Parents please note that there will be no lessons or band rehearsals on this day as Miss Warfield is involved in the Advanced Music Camp.

Date Claimer – Attention Students & Parents

Centenary Heights State High School will hold its Year 7 to 8 Information Evening on Wednesday, June 12, at 6:00pm in the hall. An overview of the school and the enrolment process will be provided on the night. All parents and students considering or intending enrolment in 2014 are encouraged to attend. Parents of students in earlier year levels are also most welcome. For further information about Centenary Heights State High School you could phone 46367500 or visit our website: http://centheighshs.eq.edu.au/wcms/
CHAPPY CHATTER:

Forgiving is Smart for Your Heart

We've all heard the expression “Forgive and Forget”. The real order of the universe however is, “Remember and Forgive”. The purpose of this week's time is to help you guide your children in the true order. This does not mean allowing and accepting injustice, injury, or abuse. Forgiveness goes a step further. It is letting go of any need to “get even”. It is believing that every person is more than a single action - even actions that seem to cause pain and sadness.

Children are very forgiving by nature. They continue along this path, unless we teach them something else. We do teach them in many ways, most of them not verbal. We teach them to hold grudges, when they see us withhold our love. We teach them volumes through what we reveal in our words of complaints, our words of anger. We teach them by our gestures, our posture, and our attitude. Who needs words?

Psychologist William Damon, Author of “The Moral Child”, encourages caring adults to nurture children's moral growth as surely as we nurture their growing bodies with food and drink and exercise. Dr Damon says that caring adults have four (4) steps to take in fostering moral virtue. I've applied the steps he's described to encouraging a spirit of forgiveness.

- Support and nurture the child's innate forgiving nature
- Help your child see and name situations in which forgiveness is, or could be, expressed
- Encourage forgiving words and actions
- Challenge any lack of forgiveness by creating chances for a change of heart. No festering, only fostering

You and I experience forgiveness every day in a very physical way. We experience a body renewed after a night's rest. Daily, we and the earth are given a new chance with the sunrise. As in our bodies and on our earth, forgiveness can be in our hearts, and in our children's hearts. Forgiving is smart for your heart.

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Take care till next week

Chappy Carmen

GABBINBAR GAZETTE VOLUME 13 15.05.13

Gazette by email

You can now receive the Gazette by email. To request a notification when the latest Gabbinbar Gazette is available, send an email with the subject “SUBSCRIBE” to newsletters@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au

If you have suggestions or comments for our website or newsletter, please email comments@gabbinbarss.eq.edu.au

Library News

I’ve asked all students in prep to year 5 to bring their library books back each week in their lesson time. I believe we need to be encouraging the habit of lifelong reading for enjoyment and would like to check what children are reading each week.

I also ask that you check that your child in prep to year 3 has a library bag – they will need it to borrow books.

Please note lesson days may have changed:

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Anthony Seng
Teacher-Librarian

TUCKSHOP

As you can see we are still in need of a couple more helpers on a Thursday for an hour or two. It is a fun morning and morning tea or lunch is supplied, please contact me ASAP if you can help out. Don’t forget Friday treats are on this Friday from 3pm

Tuckshop Helpers

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Volunteers and Home bakers are always welcome ● Larry 0417 731 126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

OSHC

Our OSHC children have been enjoying shop play over the past week, with the children negotiating roles of managers, shop assistants and customers. It initially began when the children set up a massage therapy shop. This week we have extended the children’s recent interest in our variety of soft toy animals and set up a veterinary clinic in home corner.

We have seen interested children putting their names down for our new gardening club and they have been busily helping Lisa weed our vegetable garden in preparation for new plantings. Donations of seedlings for our garden are always appreciated and the children take great pride in watching their vegetables grow and then eating them at afternoon tea time.

The children have also been enjoying riding our bikes in the afternoons. However some are still using their feet to brake and scuff along the ground which is very tough on valuable school shoes. If your children wish to join in with the bike riding we recommend they bring an old pair of shoes to be kept here for this purpose.

Davina has been popping in and out to assist with administration issues during her term two leave of absence and ensuring that the OSHC runs smoothly.

Regards,
Suzanne Evans,
Coordinator OSHC.

P & C NEWS

MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE!

Thank you to everyone who supported the Mother’s Day Stall last week. We hope you all had a great day and enjoyed your presents. Congratulations to Petronella Welman, the lucky winner of the Mother’s Day Raffle.

FETE NEWS!!

Please start collecting any empty jars from your home, for a stall at the fete. We are hoping to collect 300 jars. They can be dropped up to the P&C room in the office.

Shauna Whitley
Fundraising Coordinator

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Payments for Excursions, Performances or Student program will not be accepted after the payment due date under any circumstances.

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