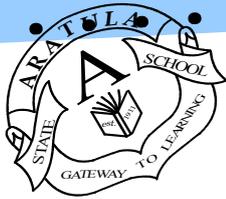


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From the Principal's Desk



The holidays are only just a few sleeps away! What an amazing term it has been! Please ensure that you get a copy of tomorrow's Fassifern Guardian to see pictures and a story about the Governor-General's visit. I am so incredibly proud of the exceptionally high standard of behaviour of our students. Their Excellencies, accompanying staff and visitors from the Department of Education and Training all remarked on the wonderful atmosphere and strong sense of community they felt when visiting our school.

Grandparents' and Special Visitors' Day

Tomorrow we open the doors to celebrate our learning and share a lovely afternoon tea with our special visitors. This event is to be held in Teaching Block B from 2pm with afternoon tea at 2:30pm.

GRIP Conference Reflections

On Friday 17th of March the grade 5 & 6 class attended the GRIP conference. I think the conference was fun except for the dodgy pens! The Chandler sports centre was HUGE!!!! I mainly liked the loud noises part of the conference. The most important thing I learnt was how to be more of a leader. The action I will take next will to be more responsible. The conference was really fun except for the dodgy pens and had nothing to do with Zoo-topia but I still liked it.

By Alex

On Friday 17th of March the grade 5 and 6 students attended the GRIP Leadership Conference. We watched videos about leadership, did fun games and listened to the GRIP people talk. I liked it when a student pretended to eat malteezers and other students went to tell on her, but then the voice came to tell them not to be responsible.

There were at least 30 different schools. The seats were tiny and we had a dance party at the end.

It was really fun and I hope I can go next year.

By Kokoda

Dates to Remember

ECAP—each
Wed—9am

Wed 29th
March—
Grandparents
Day—2pm

Tuesday—
April 18th—
School Re-
sumes for
Term 2

April 18th—
Harmony Day

April 18th—P
& C Meeting

Chaplain's Vis-
its for Term 2
-26th April
/10th & 24th
May/ 7th and
21st June

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Harmony Day

On the first day of Term 2, April 18th 2017 we will be visited by Bev Pershouse and her team to present *Australia with One Heart* to celebrate Australia's social and cultural diversity. Tickets for the show are \$8.00.



Every day counts at school

We are keeping a close eye on our attendance target. There will be a pizza party for students with greater than 94 % attendance this term. Currently, our whole school attendance rate is 91.36% so we have room for improvement. Attendance so far this term:

Prep – 92.22%
Yr 1 – 86.94%
Yr 2 – 89.34%
Yr 3 – 93.15%
Yr 4 – 90.14%
Yr 5 – 97.04%
Yr 6 – 90.74%

I look forward to a special pizza lunch with 18 students who maintained above 94 per cent attendance this term. Congratulation to Emma G and Conner C for 100 per cent attendance!

Feedback

If you ever have any feedback you would like to provide, or any ideas or suggestions for our school, I would love to hear from you! Please come to see me, call to make an appointment or email me anytime at aarms55@eq.edu.au.

Have a fabulous fortnight!

Angela Armstrong
Principal

P&C Patch

Hi everyone.

Fundraising

We achieved our \$1000 fundraising goal which will go a long way to granting the school's first wish of a double gate near the sand pit. Congratulations to all for a superb effort! Our highest fundraiser was Slayter H.

Our next P & C meeting is Tuesday 18th April 2017 at 5:30pm. Please come along.

Cheers until next time!

Nicki Mulligan, P & C President

Chappy News -

I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the dedicated staff and amazing students at Aratula this term. Our Social/Emotional lessons have focussed on students getting to know themselves and others in their class better. They have discovered things they have in common and things that are different. They have worked on conversation skills including looking at the other person, smiling, listening to what the other person has to say, not just talking about themselves. And finding that, I quote Emma J - "Everyone is special in their own way"!

I am at school on the following Wednesdays next term: - 26th April; 10th & 24th May; and 7th & 21st June.

The Moogerah Passion Play Association is presenting "He's Alive" -

The dates are - Saturday 8th April; Sunday 9th April; Friday 14th April; Saturday 15th April.

All performances are free and begin at 5pm. Food and drinks are available from 4pm for purchase.

As this is my last 'Chappy News' for the term, I hope you have a special and safe holiday break with your family and friends.

Kind Regards,
Karen Turner.

Thought - "Success isn't about the end result, it's about what you learn along the way."

