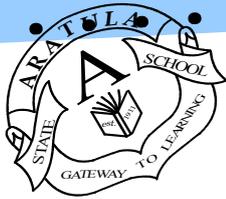


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From the Principal's Desk

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the Year 6 school camp at Maroon Outdoor Education Centre, where I observed students from schools all over the Fassifern come together to learn teamwork and make new friends. I could see some very clear benefits from the program, as students gained new skills and greater confidence. It was quite exhausting for teachers though, and I am happy to be back at school in the familiar company of our lovely students and wonderful staff.

It does feel a little strange to be sitting behind Mrs Armstrong's desk, but as the Year 6 students discovered last week, it is great to take on new challenges. Please don't hesitate to speak with me anytime you need to. I'm sure Mrs Armstrong is relishing time with her family and we look forward to seeing her back in the chair in week 9.

Next week it is the turn of the Year 3, 4 and 5 students to enjoy new experiences, as they head to Currimundi Camp on Monday, accompanied by Mrs Voigt and Mrs Turner. If you have any concerns or questions about camp, such as separation anxiety (yours as well as your child's!!) talk with me or your classroom teacher. If your child requires medication during camp you must supply a written consent form, and medication must have a pharmacist's label on it with the student's name.

In the meantime, classroom teachers are busily finalising assessments and we are squeezing in concert rehearsals wherever we can. You can bring in your child's concert costume as soon as you have it organised, as long as it is in a plastic bag and fully labelled. Dress rehearsals will take place in week 9.

Aratula State School is a busy place to be at the moment, so don't be surprised if your little ones come home needing a rest!

Expression of Interest - Teacher Aide Opportunity

We are looking for an Inclusive Education Support Worker to join our team in 2018. The teacher aide position will be 25 hours per week from Monday 22nd January until 2nd March with the possibility of extension. Certificate III in Education Support qualification essential with previous experience in learning support or disability support desirable. Applications will remain current for 12 months.

Please send current resume with two referees to the.principal@aratulass.eq.edu.au by Wednesday 29th November, 2017.

Dates to Remember

3/4/5 Camp 20-22nd Nov

ECAP Breakup—Wed 22nd Nov

School Concert - Thurs 30th Nov—6pm

Year 6 Graduation—Mon 4th Dec

Swimming—Mon 13 & 20 Nov & 4th Dec

Chaplain Visit—6th Dec

Last Day of Term—Friday 8th Dec

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Triple P parenting

With the school holidays looming, now might be a good time to review the wonderful advice and resources offered by the Triple P program. Their latest newsletter can be found on their website, at <http://www.triplep-parenting.net.au>.

Student Collection and Bus Transportation

The health, safety and wellbeing of your precious child/ren is our highest priority. Please help us keep your child safe by:

Designating a pick up spot. If you intend to park your vehicle and have your child walk out of the school grounds, please inform staff.

Notify staff of changes to bus arrangements. We mark a roll for bus duty and need to be certain that a parent has collected in the event of a student absence.

If a person, other than a parent/carer or emergency contact, is required to collect your child, please notify the class teacher of this before the end of the school day. If this is likely to be an ongoing arrangement, please notify the office in writing.

Please use the carparks in front of the school whenever possible to avoid children having to cross the road.

Thank you for your anticipated support of these valuable safety initiatives.

Enrol now for Prep 2018

If you have a child that is ready for prep (or if you know someone who does) please visit the office to collect an enrolment pack. If you cannot visit during office hours, an enrolment pack can be sent to you via post.

Swimming

Please ensure your child has a tshirt or rashie to wear in the pool in addition to sunscreen.

School Concert

Our annual concert will be held on Thursday 30th November at 6pm at the Aratula Sports and Community Centre. Community members will be invited to attend.

Graduation

The Graduation Dinner will be held on Monday 4th December, 2017 at school.

Have a fabulous fortnight!

Allaana Bills
Acting Principal



Hi everyone!

We were very fortunate to receive a \$250.00 donation from the Boonah Country Markets last Saturday 11.11.17. A big thank you must go out to them for their generosity.

So, we have had our last P & C Meeting for 2017. Wow, what a year. We are very pleased with our fundraising efforts this year and would like to thank everyone who has donated their time and/or skills in our support.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We are looking forward to a wonderful 2018 as well.

Have a great week.

Kind regards,
Aratula SS P & C.

