Welcome to another edition of our school newsletter for 2016. We are currently trialling a weekly distribution of our newsletter that might be more timely and relevant to our parent community. Feedback is always welcome!

Parent Teacher Information Sessions
A big thank you to all parents who were able to make it to the parent teacher information sessions held last week. These sessions are provided as an opportunity for parents to become familiar with not only the classroom teacher/s, but the routines and expectation for the students in that class. If you weren’t able to make it, please ask for a copy of the information that was shared and follow-up individually with any specific questions or concerns that you have.

QParents
Q Parents is a secure online parent portal is a web and mobile application that provides parents and legal guardians of Queensland state school students access to their child’s student information, in one place. QParents will enable parents to connect instantly with our school to access and manage their student information including:

- Attendance and absences details
- Behaviour details
- Academic report cards
- Unpaid invoice details and payment history
- Personal student details, including the ability to update information such as medical conditions
- Enrolment details

Parents will be able to access their child’s student information anytime and anywhere securely online through smart phone, tablet or computer access. All parents have now been emailed out an invitation to participate and register with QParents and I encourage you to check it out!

P&C Meetings
The first P&C meeting for this year has been held successfully with a fantastic number of parents in attendance. The next P&C meeting is coming up on the 14th of March and this is also the Annual General Meeting where positions will be declared vacant and voting will occur to fill the positions for this year. I strongly encourage all parents to come along to the meeting and see firsthand
what our P&C are all about. The current fundraising initiative is an Easter-based one with all families requested to donate Easter goodies through the school office. All donations are received with chocolate-y thanks!

**Somerset Celebration of Literature**

Last week, all students in years 3-6 had the pleasure of participating in a creative writing workshop hosted by two senior Wordsmiths from Somerset College as a lead in to the Somerset Celebration of Literature. This session was well received by our students and all have now written their individual entry for the Division 9 Creative Writing Challenge run as part of the Celebration of Literature festivities. We are also very fortunate to be able to attend three author sessions at the Celebration thanks to generous sponsorship from Somerset College families. We will be attending on Thursday 10th March and are looking forward to seeing real-life authors in person! All years 3-6 students should now have brought home their permission form with all of the necessary details. Please complete these and return to school by Friday this week.

**Book Club**

The latest issue of Book Club has been distributed to all families. Every purchase from Book Club gives families the chance to purchase new reading material and every purchase earns ‘bonus dollars that our school can use to purchase resources. Most recently, we chose additional resources to add to our Science materials and our students are keen to use them.

**Welcome Danelle**

Last week, we welcomed Danelle Moores into our Springbrook team as she temporarily fills the vacant Administration Officer position. Danelle comes to use with extensive school experience and she will be sitting in the administration office each Thursday and Friday. Please take a moment to introduce yourself and make her welcome.

**Investing for Success (I4S)**

Investing for Success provides $480 million over 2016 and 2017 through the Australian Government’s *Students First* funding. At our school, this funding (approx. $14,000) is targeted to ongoing student development with a specific focus on inferential comprehension skills. A copy of our plan will be available on our website once approved.

Sarah Jane Ash, Principal 😊

### Upcoming Dates

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Student Awards

Student of the Week

Zavier - for a great start to the year by displaying 'Be respectful' behaviours during class at all times!

Aimee - for excellent and consistent displays of "Be Safe" behaviours at school in the classroom and playground

Literacy Planet Leaderboard Leaders

Lashae 138 points

Mathletics Awards

Will Bronze Certificate 4070 points

Gotcha Raffle Draw

Yrs P-2 class: Abigail and Hunter

Yrs 3-6 class: Asha and Arwen

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

PARENTS

Secure online parent portal

Access your child’s student information online and stay connected to your school.

Robina State High School

ENROL FOR 2017!

Join us for our first enrolment information evening for students entering Yr 7 in 2017.

Tuesday, 8 March 2016
5.30 – 7.00pm
Performing Arts Centre

All prospective students and parents are welcome to attend this information evening to hear about our school, our curriculum, signature programs and our unique approach to Junior Secondary Education.

Applications for Scholarships and our Signature Academic and Sporting Programs will also open on this evening.

For more information contact our Head of Junior Secondary – Mr Ben Weale bwanx321@eq.edu.au

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10 WAYS TO PROMOTE GOOD MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING IN KIDS

1. MODEL GOOD MENTAL HEALTH HABITS
2. MAKE SURE THEY GET ENOUGH SLEEP
3. ENCOURAGE KIDS TO EXERCISE
4. GIVE THEM CREATIVE OUTLETS
5. PROVIDE A SPACE OF THEIR OWN
6. TALK ABOUT THEIR TROUBLES
7. HELP THEM TO RELAX
8. HAVE TWO ROUTINES - WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND
9. FOSTER VOLUNTEERING AND HELPFULNESS
10. BRING FUN AND PLAYFULNESS INTO THEIR LIVES

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