

NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are progressing through a busy term, as we work to deepen our understanding of how each and every student learns and moderation processes have begun. Our school is progressing into our behaviour expectations plan, along with Student Voice meetings and we are loving our Friday PE sessions, as our whole school is scheduled at the same time. We engage in different cohort groups, but then join and have some serious learning fun. We are always learning about team work, and what it means to support each other.

Our P and C are putting in some serious planning hours around school events such as the end of term disco, Mother's Day raffle and our major event on the 7th of September, our Vintage Harvest Fair. If you are not part of the messenger group, let me know and I will add you. If you are not on Messenger, let me know and we will get information out to you. The messenger group is a place for P and C matters and information sharing that is supportive and helpful for our immediate community. I would like to think that we care and support each other as our 'why' are our children, who attend our school. I have always said, that there is a way for everyone to engage to support our school in many ways. We gratefully accept the minutes to the days that you can donate of your time.

Currently, our school requires support around the school garden. We need to get this ready for our seasonal planting and preparation of our new crops. We have some resilient plants that have given back to us now for two seasons and are still here for the third.

At the moment, if you can lend 20 minutes of your time at pickup, to help with garden weeding, then this is very appreciated. If you do this, the children can play in the tennis court area as we don't want them running into the long grass. The continuous rain has more than likely brought visitors of nature, in and out of the gardens. Lucky we are all country people who have good knowledge of being careful where we place our hands. The old sunflower stalks need to be mulched back into the garden bed for nitrogen. We don't want to throw them away. So, please, if you can spare a few minutes in the afternoon, on pickup, we would appreciate your help. If you make it to the garden, take a few photos and text them to me please! We love to digitise our community helpers!

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Finally, our school Behaviour Plan centres around **Be Responsible, Be Respectful and Be Safe**. Our staff and students have spent a lot of time finalising our expectations for each area of the school. The expectations are linked to **Values**. I have a statement that I would like to share with you all and I would appreciate some feedback on this. The statement will be sent in our App so that you can give feedback.

Values

We are a school community built upon three key values

- The worth of true **friendship**
- The attitude of **Respect** to connect us, and
- The pursuit of **success** for all.

At VPSS, we expect students, parents, caregivers and staff to be the best that they can be. This is demonstrated by the following.

- We show **Respect**
- We are **Responsible**
- We **look out** for **Each other**
- We are **always Learning**
- We are an **inclusive community**
- We demonstrate **Kindness and Care**, above all.

I would like your feedback on the above statements. If you agree, then let me know. If you disagree, or have other suggestions, then offer your feedback in the app. It will be out Friday 01s of March.

Kindest Regards,
Adriana Hering
Principal

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PREP - 3

Hello!

Students have been busy settling into classroom routines, building new friendships and leaping into their learning. They have started to code robots, count collections of objects and connect to numerals, determine language features used in narrative writing and develop their fundamental skills in PE.

The student's favourite activity at present is to communicate to each other on Dr Suess' 'Whisper-ma-phone'. This has been a very exciting time!

The Dreaming Dolphins Learning Space door is always open for you to pop in and have a look around.

Have a great week!

Miss J

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YEAR 4-6

This week in Year 4 5 6.

Students have been very keen to investigate the projection of shadows. We have tested shadows cast from objects with varying degrees of opacity, translucency and transparency. Students have also been working with reflection, by using mirrors to study the path of light rays. Science presents lots of opportunities to work in small groups which the students really enjoy.



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4-6



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Smoke Signals

G'Day Mate!

Come along and celebrate the end of Term 1 at Victoria Plantation State School's Social dressed as your favourite Aussie!

When: 22nd March at 5:30pm-8:30pm

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\$5 ENTRY

Get a free softdrink and sausage on bread 😊



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mental wellbeing and suicide prevention

invites you to join us for

breakfastclub

weekdays from 6:30am—8:00 am
complimentary tea and coffee for attendees

all welcome

transport available to school*

**90-92 Lannercost street Ingham
4781 2690**

*bookings essential



Clubhouse

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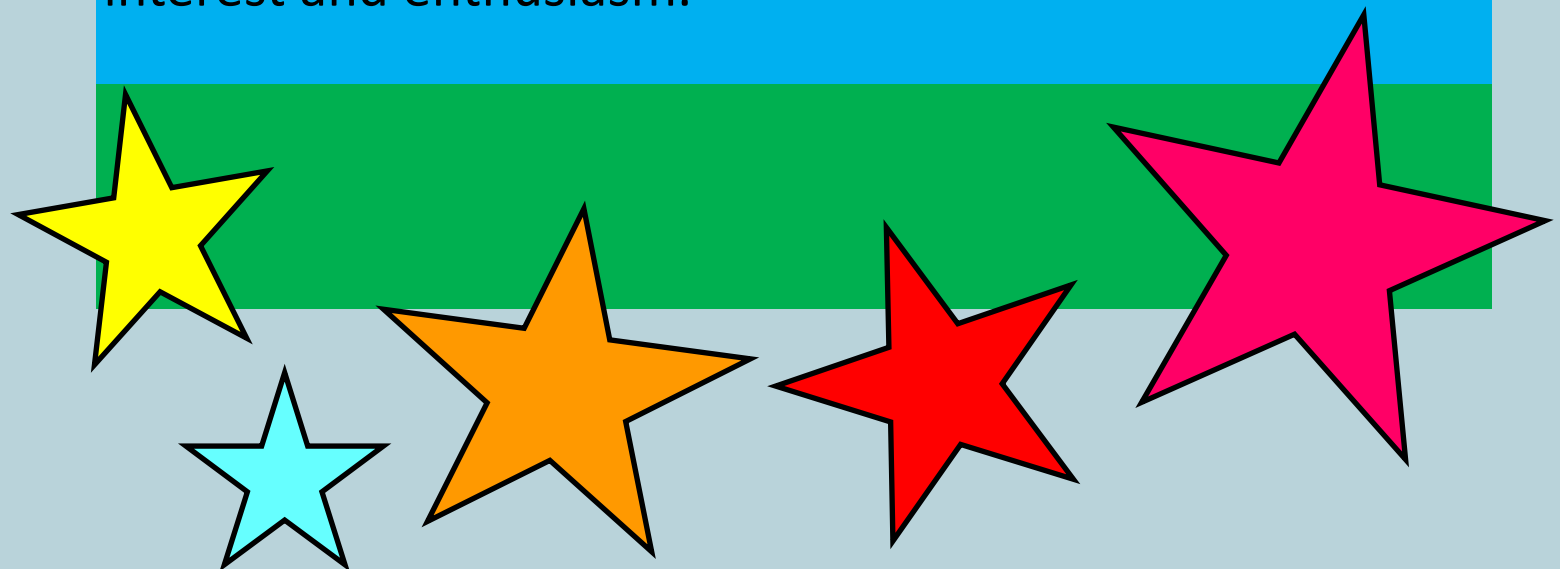
Student of the week

Term 1 Week 5

AWARDS last week.. Congratulations to all those who received an award last week.

P-3 AWARD: Logan McIntosh for his choice of strategies when displaying data in maths.

4-6 AWARD: Jonathon Reese for consistently showing interest and enthusiasm.



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Every Day Counts - Class



8:15	Supervised Time
8:45	First Session of Learning
11:00	First Break - Supervised Eating
11:20	First Break
11:45	Second Session of Learning
1:30	Second Break - Supervised Eating
1:40	Second Break
1:50	Third Session of Learning
3:00	End of Day

Student Absences

If your child is absent from school please advise through our app.



MOST STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY

It's important that children are at school all day, every day

OK reasons to stay home from school
 sick natural disasters

It's **NOT OK** to skip school to shop, sleep in, finish an assignment, go on holidays

EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS

Missing even 1 day can make a difference

1 day off school each fortnight = Missing more than a year of learning over 12 years

Each day's learning builds on what has been learnt before

Good attendance begins in Prep
 It's where good habits begin

ATTEND ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

Each 1% increase in student attendance may relate to 2-3 NAPLAN Scale score points*

What parents can do

- Promote the importance of school
- Get to know the teacher
- Go to school events
- Read the school newsletter
- Be organised at home
- Supervise homework
- Ask about your child's day
- Volunteer to help at school

Get involved in your child's school

For more information

Go to the Every day counts website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/>