Principal’s Message

Dear Families,

The end of the term is now upon us and I would like to say how proud I am of the efforts of each and every student towards their learning and attendance throughout Term 2. I look forward to returning next term to work alongside our staff in continuing to improve the learning outcomes of each of our students.

Attendance

Our attendance rate at the commencement of this term was below our Term 1 rate however this continued to improve as the term progressed. Last week, we had a best week for the term. WELL DONE EVERYONE! I would like to thank our families for supporting your child’s education by ensuring they attend school every school day that they can. We know the benefits of attendance and how it does impact on your child’s education and already we have seen improvements in student results when attendance improves. Every day DOES count and every day MAKES a difference!

It is important that if your child is absent for an illness or other appropriate reasons, that you contact the school to let us know.

Report Cards

Report cards will be going home with students this Thursday 25 June. Should you wish to discuss your child’s report card with their class teacher, please don’t hesitate to make a time to meet with them.

Athletics Carnival

Unfortunately due to the wet weather, we had to postpone some events of our Athletics Carnival. We managed to complete all of our sprint races and finals therefore we will be holding the field events (discus, shot put and long jump) for our 9 to 12 year olds and our rotational activities for our Prep to 8 year olds next term on Friday 24 July from 11:00am to 12:45pm. Parents are welcome.

I hope you have a wonderful break and will see you when school returns on Monday 13 July.

Kind regards,

Penny Grant

State Schools are Great Schools!

Note: This newsletter is sent home to all families each fortnight and can also be downloaded from the school’s website: www.acaciaridge.eq.edu.au
Congratulations to our award winners!

Student of the Week – Week 8
Prep Ayub Mohamed Olad
P/1 Heath Flint
1 Natalie Tiyce
1/2 Victor Huynh
2 Lailahni Moss
3 Nathan Murray
3/4 Ali Sina Rahima
4/5 Zeke Skyring
5 Shanthoss Neelarmstrong
6 Taipe Hola

Behaviour of the Week – Week 8
Prep Alleyah Keitaanpaa
P/1 Lavinia Fatafahi
1 Ajla Ahmetovic
1/2 Kain Henderson
2 Te-Rore Bah-Tawhi
3 Matthew Luther
3/4 Mannat Kaur
4/5 Ridwaan Mohamed Ali
5 Marcus Samia
6 Jennifer Tran

Student of the Week – Week 9
Prep Hiba Akhlaki
P/1 Chloe Catlin
1 Ayub Egal Hassan
1/2 Tycen Hankin
2 Kiye Phillips
3 Valentina Tomasevic
3/4 Halima Hussein
4/5 Mikaela Maddox
5 Hamiara Huirua-Canterbury
6 Joshua Mortera

Behaviour of the Week – Week 9
Prep Amelia Henderson-Williams
P/1 Zoe Nurse
1 MJ Fonoti
1/2 Lufia Heather
2 Aatahua Lawrence-Lemon
3 Samuel Hodgson
3/4 Trista Yates
4/5 Kyra Taylor
5 George Hola
6 Mia Boota

25 Star Stamps

Term 2 – Week 8 & Week 9
1/2 Riyak Said Abdi, Tycen Hankin, Maymun Mohammed, Semir Nur Hussein, Byron Sears
2 Jazmine Hart,
3 Lauren Willis, Zahra Kazimi, Eqra Egal Hassan, Abdi Olad Mohammed, Trellyn Stafford
3/4 Redwan Nur Hussein, Mannat Kaur, Ali Sina Rahima, Luyando Vilugron, Cooper Davey, Sepuloni Kite
4/5 Tommee Bath, Ridwaan Mohammed, Desteenee Lynn
6 Shakaya Hankan, Jacob Tully, Adam Wall

50 Star Stamps

Term 2 – Week 8 & Week 9
Prep Heath Flint, William Hodgson, Ayub Mohamed Olad, Tyler Rush
1 Callum Wakefield
2 AJ Bollinger, Dhulfiqar Al-Gemeel, Natalia Tran, Benjamin Lapham-Price
3 Taijanae Williams
3/4 Abdi Egal Hassan, Jane Lealiiee
4/5 Toby Hobson, Kyra Taylor
5 Shanthoss Neelarmstrong, Zachary Edwards, Marcus Samia, Neda Kazemi
6 Taipe Hola, Mitchell Sorensen, Lyn Huynh, Jennifer Tran, Delfine Nkairutima
Homework Club

Acacia Ridge Community Support Inc. has started a homework club for Prep to Year 3 children at the Acacia Ridge Community Centre, Mortimer Road, Acacia Ridge from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. The club started on 27 May, 2015 and will continue every Wednesday each week, excluding school holidays.

The volunteers who will be conducting the sessions are retired teachers, lawyers and a social worker. They will primarily be focussing on literacy however as the club gets more established they will expand into numeracy.

Paint the Ridge REaD Monthly Family Gatherings
Promoting Reading & Storytelling to Young Children

Fun Activities Good Company
Free Event Food Bring Friends
Storytelling

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TERM 2
Thursday 25 June
- After School Sport – Years 4-7
- Report Cards go home
Friday 26 June
- Last day for Term 2
Monday 13 July
- FIRST DAY OF TERM 3

TERM 3
Monday 13 July
- FIRST DAY OF TERM 3
Friday 24 July
- 11:00 Field Events for Athletics Carnival

School Jumpers
If your child has borrowed a school jumper can you please return it as soon as possible and exchange them for the non-school jumpers that are in the office.
Asthma? Allergies? Ask the Experts!

Asthma Foundation Queensland is hosting an ‘Ask the Expert’ session for parents of children with asthma or allergies.

The session will provide parents with the invaluable opportunity to learn more about their child’s asthma or allergies, and to have their questions answered by experts in the field.

Details for the session are below:

Date: Wednesday 29th July
Time: 6:30pm—8:00pm
Venue: Meeting Room
Carina Leagues Club
1390 Creek Road
Carina QLD 4152
Cost: FREE

Registrations can be made online at asthmaaustralia.org.au or by phoning 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462). Registration includes a ‘goodie’ bag and light refreshments.

Calm Kids Yoga
For 2 - 4 Year Olds

Creating calm, connected and confident kids

This program will introduce your child to the benefits of yoga in a fun and interactive environment. Calm Kids Yoga encourages:
- Calmness within
- Improved concentration
- Quiet confidence
- Physical strength & flexibility
- Improved posture

Where: The Hub Space
Aerco Ridge Early Years Centre
87 Nipper Street

When: Wednesday 15th July 2015
Then every Wednesday during school term

Time: 3:30 – 4:15pm
Cost: Free, Yoga mats supplied

Please RSVP to 3320 8480 or nina.kurthy@benevolent.org.au

DANCETastic

Creative Dance classes for 5 – 8 year olds

Dance helps children to:
- Build confidence and self awareness
- Achieve success and develop leadership skills
- Improve social skills
- Showcase their personality through movement and expression
- Feel good and have fun!

Our classes are facilitated by www.creativedanceindustries.com.au

Where: The Hub Space
Aerco Ridge Early Years Centre
67 Nipper Street

When: 14th July 2015
Each Tuesday during school term

Time: 3:30 – 4.30pm
Cost: Free

Please RSVP on 3320 8480 or lee.pekor@benevolent.org.au

origami dojo

July Workshop

A Chance to FLY!

You may have made paper planes...
But not like these!!!

Master folder Jonathan will help you make your very own air force of different and spectacular paper planes. There is even the incredible Tiko Fiese!

The workshops are aimed at 8 and kids...you can bring your parents
From Beginner to Enthusiast... because everyone likes to make a paper plane!
Great fun for everyone.

Only $35 per session
even less with family discounts...
Parents and carers free...

All materials included
July 7th, 8th & 9th 9:30-11:30 or 1:30-3:30
Caraville Presbyterian Church Hall
12 Bank St Caraville

Bookings: origamidojo.org or phone: 3172 7291
"Catch up Cafe"
10 to 12pm – 13 July Monday.
Community Association
Kyabra Street, Runcorn

For those who have completed Parenting courses & New People who would like to know more.

Come share your stories.
Circle of Security™ or Nurtured Heart Approach®

Jean 3373 9412 RSVP Trish 3373 9435
jean@kyabra.org trishl@kyabra.org

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An Effective Approach to Parenting Intense or Challenging Children/Teens

What is Nurtured Heart Approach?
"It is a simple framework which nurtures and grows a child’s positive sense of self. All Children who have been introduced to this approach flourish and learn to appreciate what is great about them."

If you are interested in learning more about the Nurtured Heart Approach please join us for a six week course. You can contact us and also visit NHA Australia or The Children’s Success Foundation websites for further information.

20th July to 24th August – 6.30pm to 8.30pm.
Kyabra Community Association, Kyabra Street, Runcorn
Contact Trish 3373 9435 or trishl@kyabra.org or 0439946700
Jean 3373 9412 or jeanl@kyabra.org or 0403152436

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Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services

The Parent Trail
A creative group for parents living with a mental illness
This is a collaborative group co-facilitated by Kyabra Community Association Inc. and Metro South Addiction and Mental Health. The group will run over 10 weeks on Tuesday mornings at Kyabra Community Association, Kyabra Street, Runcorn beginning

14th July to 15th September
Tuesdays 10am to 12.30pm

This group will offer parents the opportunity to:
• Share and hear other parents stories of parenting
• Receive input and reflections from a group
• Use art, creative writing, music and discussion
• Explore your personal picture
• Share other people’s stories of parenting
• Create your personal safety first aid kit for your individual parenting trail
• To enhance your particular style of parenting
• Join with others to have fun and relax

Hopes for individuals:
• For individual parents living with a mental illness to share in a safe environment
• To increase connection with other parents
• How the opportunity to reflect on patterns of parenting that may no longer fit with the parent you want to be.
• That you bring your individual level of creative talents to the group. You don't have to be Picasso or Mozart!"

If you are interested in joining this group please contact us. We would love to hear from you.

To book please call Trish Landsberger 07 3373 9435 at Kyabra or Cathy Rehnk EKMAP Program Manager 07 3176 1139.

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Register now – free schools IT community session – 6 July 2015, at the Royal International Convention Centre, Brisbane.

Parents are invited to attend a free community information session to find out how technology is being used to enhance your child’s learning.

Part of the department’s Information and Technologies Branch (ITB) regional road show, the event is being held on 6 July at the Royal International Convention Centre from 1:00pm.

Light refreshments will be available while you find out out:

- QParents – online access to your child’s records
- BYOx – bring your own device
- Cybersafety – how you can protect your kids

Full details are available via [http://wired.ivvy.com/event/MET03/](http://wired.ivvy.com/event/MET03/)
# 2015 School Calendar

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- **Public holidays**
- **Staff professional development days (PD)**
- **Flood dates for student attendance**

### Final Dates for Student Attendance

November 2014 is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. November 27 is the final date for student attendance in Period 8 and 11.

### Public Holidays

- **Christmas Day**
- **Boxing Day**
- **New Year's Day**
- **Queensland Day**
- **Good Friday**
- **Easter Monday**
- **Anzac Day**
- **Easter Saturday**
- **Labour Day**

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