REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

- School returns Monday 8th July
- NO PUPIL FREE DAY

Attention Parents

Please remember that in the first instance, if you have a concern about your child to discuss it with your child’s class teacher. The teachers are able to pass on information to the principal if necessary. Thank you

Grantham State School Newsletter

Absence Note
Every Day Counts

My child ____________________ was away on ____________________

Reason: ____________________

Parent Signature ________________

Diligence, Integrity, Creativity and Empathy

Dear Parents & Caregivers

Our small school is growing every term. We have a current enrolment of 99 students.

We extend a very warm welcome to our new students Natasha (3), Benjamin (2), Emmie Rae (1) and Alex and Jessica Leigh (Prep). We welcome their families to our school community also.

These new students in our lower years have led the staff to consider some innovative ways to improve our learning environment to ensure we are providing the best possible education for all of our students.

We will be making no changes to class groupings, however students may move from their base class to attend flexible Learning Groups during English and Math time.

A majority of students in Prep—2 will make no movement. However students in Years 3—7 may move to a different learning area that will provide them with the best possible environment to learn in English and Math.

NEW BREAK TIMES NEXT TERM

Our goal at Grantham State School is to provide students with the opportunity to develop diligence, integrity, creativity and empathy every day as part of our learning community. As we move towards our innovative, flexible Learning Groups next term, we will be adjusting our breaks in order to maximise learning time.

First break will now be our shorter break going from 11:00—11:30. Second Break will be from 1:00—1:45. This means that students will also not have such a rushed session in the afternoon with an increase from 1 hour to 1 1/4 hours.

With the addition of our new “Brain Break” (more information inside) we believe that we will see students more focused and attentive and therefore be able to learn more effectively.
AASC

Active After School Communities program will be back next term. However, we will be running a morning one and an afternoon one. More details will be provided when school resumes next term.

OPEN NIGHT

Thank you to all the parents who came last night.

VALUES

This week we are focusing on our school value of Empathy.

We believe that empathy is an important value and means that students will be:

• kind
• caring
• considerate
• sensitive to people’s feelings
• respect the beliefs and opinions of others

Gotcha Winners

17/06/13

PREP/1
TYLER
2/3
KASEE
4/5
MADDIE
6/7
JODIE

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK — 17/06/13

PREP / YEAR 1:
ALEX for trying very hard to make good choices in class.
NATALIE for applying herself to all tasks and completing her homework every week.

YEAR 2 / YEAR 3:
BRODY for always striving to do his best in class & focusing well on his school work.
LUCAS for focusing well on his assessment tasks.

YEAR 4 / YEAR 5:
KARISSA for her diligence in completing class tasks.
ZHARAH for working diligently on her assessment tasks.

YEAR 6 / YEAR 7:
TIMOTHY for participating well in class discussions and showing diligence to complete his biography on time.
JACOB for his great energy and enthusiasm displayed in Drama.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK CONTINUED

17/06/13

YEAR 6 / YEAR 7:

P&C NEWS

Our next P&C meeting will be Monday 22nd July at 7pm. All parents are welcome to come along and assist in making decisions to benefit the students of the school.

Tuckshop orders need to be in by 8:30am Friday mornings.

Thank you to all our wonderful parent helpers for our Options Groups.

BRANDON, MICHAEL

STUDENTS OF THE TERM

PREP:
RYAN

YEAR 1:
JACOB

YEAR 2:
BADEN

YEAR 3:
BROOKLYN

YEAR 4:
PHOEBE

YEAR 5:
AIMEE

YEAR 6:
BAILEY

YEAR 7:
MICHAEL

CO OPERATIVE

PREP:
ALEX

YEAR 1:
JAMES, ZAC, SIERRA,
SUMMER

YEAR 2:
HAYDEN, BEN, RILEY

YEAR 3:
LUCAS, JEREMY,
NATASHA

YEAR 7:
TREY, JACOB, TAHILIA

COMMENDABLE

PREP:
RYAN, CLAYTON,
LACHLAN, GEORGE, JADE

LOCKIE, TYLER

YEAR 1:
NATALIE, LOUISE,
JACOB

YEAR 2:
MADISON, TAHILIA,
BEN, LAKEISHA, ALYSSA

YEAR 3:
JESSICA

YEAR 4:
SARA, RUBY, PHOEBE,
CHELSEA, KARISSA

YEAR 5:
TAHLIA B, JOSHUA,
TAHLIA D, AIMEE,
MADDIE

YEAR 6:
MELBOURNE, BAILEY

YEAR 7:
BRANDAN, MICHAEL,
CHLOE

BEHAVIOUR

Term 2 Student of the Term

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