All Students can Achieve High Standards of Behaviour

Over the past two weeks, the staff have been diligently sharing key messages around behaviour.

We believe that all students can achieve a high standard of behaviour and our expectations are that ALL students will enact our three school rules of

BE SAFE
BE RESPONSIBLE
BE RESPECTFUL

On a daily basis, teachers are clearly stating their expectations for learning behaviour in the classroom and the playground.

We have also talked about our four “No Excuse” behaviours at Grantham State School that appear in our School’s Responsible Behaviour Plan.

These are
- Physical aggression
- Verbal aggression (e.g. swearing or put downs)

Deliberate misuse of property
Deliberate disobedience

In addition to following through with students to ensure our school is a safe environment where learning is valued, we also encourage students to aim to demonstrate our four school values.

DILIGENCE, INTEGRITY, CREATIVITY and EMPATHY (DICE)

We believe that these four values will enable students to lead successful and fulfilling lives no matter what the future holds for them.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY

The School Opinion Surveys are undertaken each year by Education Queensland to obtain opinion information from Parent/caregivers, students and school staff to help schools further understand how well they are progressing in meeting the needs of their community.

The annual School Opinion Survey has been occurring in our school this week. The Parent/Caregiver Survey has been sent home to a sample of families, and can be completed either online or using the paper form provided.

Selected students have completed their survey online at school and all school staff have been provided with access details to complete their survey online. We will receive our school’s reports, later this year.
GOTCHA WINNERS

Students of the Week

TRENT for making a positive start to the term by returning his home reading folder every day so far!
EMMILIE-RAE for trying hard during all lessons & always trying to complete set tasks.
CHARLEIGH for settling into your new class so well and smiling a lot.
LAKEISHA for being an enthusiastic reader and completing her reading challenge.
NICHOLAS for settling into a new school and a new class with confidence and showing respect at all times.
KARISSA for diligent work, consistent effort and whole body listening at all times.
TAHLIA for her consistently high standard of presentation in her bookwork.
TAMIKA for improving her concentration and application to schoolwork.

HELPERS NEEDED

Our school has the opportunity to raise funds by providing morning tea to a group of tractor enthusiasts.
We need people to cook and people to assist in making tea and coffee and serving the food on the day.
The event will be on Saturday AUGUST 10th from 9am—11:30. If you are able to help, please contact the school office for further information.
We are looking for parents of 6/7 students to assist at our cake and drink stall for Under 8s day. The funds raised from this event will go towards reducing the cost of the Tallebudgera camp at the end of the year.
We will also need people to cook for the cake stall and parent helpers for groups to take children around all the different activities.
Under 8s day is on Friday 6th September from 9am—12pm.
If you are able to assist on the stall or with cooking, please contact the school office.
Details about parent helpers for the groups will go home in the coming weeks.

PREP OPEN DAY

It is time again for us to begin looking forward to 2014 enrolments.
We will be holding a Prep Open Day on Thursday 29th August. Students eligible for Prep in 2014 and their parents are invited to attend from 9am—11am. Parents will be given information about our Prep program and have the opportunity to ask any questions they may have.
If you have a child who turns 5 on or before 30th June 2014 and would like an enrolment pack, please complete the reply slip on the back of the newsletter.
At our recent P&C Meeting, the P&C unanimously gave a vote of support for our Chaplaincy program.

Chappy Brad has been busy over the last two weeks with various groups across the school.

On Friday afternoons he has been working with a group of students on some technology tasks. So far they have made two different types of solar ovens and have managed to melt cheese, even with the cloudy conditions. This week they are venturing in the world of engineering by building a bridge!

Chappy Brad also works with our Year 7 students on a Peer Leader training program that assists the students in developing skills to help their friends when they need it.

Another group spends time with Chappy Brad to learn more about our core values of Diligence, Integrity, Creativity and Empathy. We value the work and input he has around our school. Thanks, Chappy Brad.

Reach out to Galena

In 2011, a group of students in America wrote to our students to show their support for the difficult recovery after the devastating floods that hit Grantham.

In addition, they held a soccer day to raise money for our school.

Now we have the opportunity to provide our support to the people of Galena, Alaska. They recently experienced a flood that went through their whole town.

The people of Galena could use some of our good news recovery stories to help them get through this tough time. If you would like to be involved, please see Chappy Brad for further information.
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PREP 2014
We would like to enroll our child for Prep in 2014. Please send us an enrolment pack.

Name: _____________________________

Contact no.: _________________________

Child's name: _____________________________

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Absence Note
Every Day Counts

My child ___________________was away on _____________________

Reason: ______________________________________________________

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GET ACTIVE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

I give permission for my child/ren___________________________ to attend the active after school program on TUESDAY MORNING □ and/or THURSDAY AFTERNOON □. I understand that children attending AASC must follow our school rules at all times.

Signature:___________________ Date: ____________________

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School opinion Surveys due back 30th July.