



Date Claimers

- **Sept 10 to Sept 14** - Book Fair!
- **Wednesday, 12 Sept** - Qld Symphony Orchestra Concert and Workshop
- **Thursday, 20 September** - Spring Concert
- **Friday, 21 September** - Celebration Day and final day of Term 3
- **Monday, 8 October** - First day of Term 4
- **Friday, 30 November** - Awards Night - 6:00pm

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8:30 am to 3:30 pm

P & C Meeting

Monday, 10 September
General Meeting

5:30 - 6:30 pm

In the School Library.

Thank you for your continued support.

Principal's Note

Spring Concert - On the last Thursday of Term 3 we will be holding our annual Spring Concert. This is our opportunity to showcase the talents of our students in the areas of music and drama. This year there will be a Musical Play - 'Treachery at Traitors Quay'. The show will begin at **6:00pm** sharp, so please, if you are attending, make sure you are at school and seated a few minutes before 6pm. I am sure you will enjoy the night and the performance that our students and staff have put together for your entertainment.

We will have representatives from the Health-e-Regions team here handing out water bottles and small bags of popcorn. They are hoping to chat with parents about the Telehealth Speech Programs that have been operating here for the last few years. This service has enabled Miles State School students with Speech related concerns to access additional support from University of Queensland Speech Pathology Students.

Back to the Bush - Once again we have been well supported in our bid to put together a School Float for the Back to the Bush Parade last Saturday. A huge **Thank You to Narelle, Jim and Peter Richards from Richards Transport and John Neilson from Neilson Transport**, for the combined effort of supplying their Prime Mover and Low Loader for use as our float in 2018. We are fortunate to have such great supporters of our School.



I would like to acknowledge the students involved in both the procession and the concert with Josh Arnold. I am very proud of our students in the way they represented our school and their families. A very big thank you to Mrs Roxy Bidgood for her ongoing support of Miles State School students and unwavering commitment to delivering high quality musical opportunities for our children.



2018 Prep Information Days - We have planned a number of Prep transition activities to occur in Term 4 this year. On Thursday 11th of October at 3:30 pm and Saturday 13th

October at 9:00am we will be holding a Parent Prep information session at our Prep Room. Invitations will be passed out to the local Kindy and Day Care Centre and flyers placed around the town at local notice boards. All parents of Prep aged children, born between 1st July 2013 and 30th June 2014 are welcome to come along. Enrolment packages will be available on the day, as well as our updated Prep Handbook.

All parents wishing to enrol students must bring along a copy of their child's birth certificate and have the dates verified.

School Swimming - School swimming begins Week 6, Term 4. We will advertise next term in the newsletter, or with your child's teacher regarding the timetable. As swimming is part of our school curriculum students will be expected to participate unless the child has underlying medical issues that prevent them from participating.

As per last year we will be sending out invoices in Week Two to cover the cost of bussing students to the pool and back, swimming fun days and their pool entry fees. If your family intends to purchase a season pool pass, pool entry fees will not be payable, however bus costs and swimming fun days will apply. To assist with invoicing, can you please ensure you have advised Admin Staff in writing (either a copy of the pass or by email) or your intention to purchase a pass, before Friday 12th October in Week One. Copies of passes submitted after this date cannot be accepted.



“BUILDING, SHARING,

Principal's Report cont.

NAPLAN - NAPLAN results for schools had arrived a couple of weeks ago now and we have been busy reviewing our current results to look for trends and opportunities. The individual reports arrived yesterday and will be distributed to families today. There have been some very pleasing individual results that should be celebrated. We have also identified some areas for review and will be ensuring we respond to specific focus areas in order to allow students at Miles State School every opportunity to be successful. If you have any questions or concerns please make arrangements to discuss with your child's teacher or myself.

Have a wonderful week.

Steven Bennett

Principal

This term, the Preps have been super busy in the last few weeks, learning in English, Maths and Science.

Students are continuing to reach levels in SSP and using these learned strategies in their story writing. They have completed assessment in writing a report. Thank you to all parents who continue to come into the classroom and read with students before school. Your dedication to education is valued by all. In maths we have been learning about time, capacity and numbers to 50. Students have enjoyed using a variety of equipment to consolidate their knowledge in maths. During science, we are learning about the weather and keeping daily records of weather patterns. How much fun.

We have had visits by Officer Jay to learn about road safety, and watched the Didgereebone show at the High School.

We are looking forward to our Celebration Day activity. Have a safe and happy holiday.

Joann Bucknell

Prep: Ms Joann Bucknell



CREATING, CARING"

R U OK? Day – Thursday the 13th of September

R U OK? Day is a national day of action in September dedicated to reminding people to ask family, friends and colleagues the question, "R U OK?", in a meaningful way, because connecting regularly and meaningfully is one thing everyone can do to make a difference to anyone who might be struggling.

This week, Miles State School will be raising awareness for this initiative with activities throughout the week in classroom activities. As you know, every teacher's job incorporates student health and wellbeing and often they are the first point of contact for students and families. In addition to this, we have the school wellbeing team who oversee and support the wellbeing of the whole school. This team has helped develop a Student Learning Wellbeing Framework which has a specific action plan to support student's social and emotional development. Whole school programs such as the Zones of Regulation program and Program achieve are assisting in developing student's emotional literacy.

You don't need to be an expert, just a good friend and a great listener! So, if you notice someone who might be struggling, start a conversation. Conversations need to happen every day. Encourage more people to ask R U OK? in your school, workplace or community and refer any concerns you have to any support person in the school, the Principal, a Teacher, Teacher Aide, Chappy or Guidance Officer.



Four simple steps... You've got what it takes!

HELP START CONVERSATIONS EVERY DAY



A special welcome to Claire Valler who will be with us until the end of next term as a student chaplain.

Claire said that she is looking forward to getting to know our students, especially on the oval at lunchtime.



Student of the Week

- ☺ **Prep D — Loreleigh C.** — For moving up in SSP levels. Congratulations and very well done.
- ☺ **Year Prep/1S — Caydence C.** — Awesome effort to improve your reading. Keep up the terrific work!
- ☺ **Year 1/2B — Nadia S.** — For trying her best in all areas of her school work.
- ☺ **Year 1/2L — Mason S.** — For outstanding effort in writing his informative text.
- ☺ **Year 2/3C — Maisie B.** — For putting a lot of effort into your English assessment. Well done.
- ☺ **Year 3F — Joshua D.** — For the excellent effort he has put into his Number Facts speed tests. Keep up your great work!
- ☺ **Year 3/4H — Matthew B.** — For moving up 7 reading levels this year. Keep up the great work!
- ☺ **Year 4/5J — Mick E.** — For independently writing a dino-mite informative report, you are rawr-some!
- ☺ **Year 5/6G — Rhiane G.** — For a continual high level of enthusiasm and effort towards school work!
- ☺ **Year 5/6N — Mattise G.** — For being very creative with her colour poems! Well done ☺.



Book Fair is on again.

This year we have a huge range of titles to choose from for all ages of school students. NEW THIS YEAR - We now have EFTPOS for Book Fair. The students are popping in and filling out their "wish lists" and counting their pocket money. All are welcome to come along to the **School**

Library and check out what we have for sale. If you need to arrange a different time to come along and shop please email (gguym1@eg.edu.au) or call Gayle Guymer to set up an alternative shopping time. Each book purchased earns a free ticket in our lucky door prize of a ten dollar book voucher to be spent at the fair. **Opening times are Monday to Friday 8:15 to 9:00 am and 3:00 pm to 4:00pm.** We cant wait to see you there!



We're here for your kids, if they need support they can...



Call us for FREE
1800 55 1800



Email us



WebChat with us

Parents! For more information and resources, please check out our Kids Helpline parents section

kids helpline.com.au/parents



NAPLAN Review

The Queensland Government is undertaking a review of NAPLAN in the Queensland context, to better understand the impacts NAPLAN is having on learning and teaching within the state.

The first stage of the Review, conducted in June 2018, focused on consultation with parents.

The second stage is now underway, with consultation extending to students, teachers, principals and other key education stakeholders across Queensland.

Queensland students in years 3 to 10 are now invited to provide feedback on their experiences with NAPLAN, via an online survey. Students wishing to participate will require the consent of a parent or carer, who can assist with completing the survey at home.

The survey link is available at :- <https://survey.lsia.com.au/s3/2018NapRevStudent>

This project has received ethical clearance from both the Australian Catholic University and the Department of Education. Further information on the student survey and the Review are provided within the survey link.



Miles State School

Spring Concert

Where: The grounds of Miles State School

When: Thursday Evening,
20th September, 2018
Commencing at 6.00 pm

Cost: Gold Coin Donation

Presenting

Treachery at Traitors' Quay

A Musical about children during World War II who are evacuated to the country and follow the clues to find a traitor.

Our wonderful hip-hop kids will be performing at the last parade of term, the 21st of September, 2pm. Everyone is welcome, please come and support these fantastic students!"



Now Showing:

Yr 5/6 High School Transition

BE QUICK, THE SLIDESHOW CHANGES OVER THE WEEKEND!

