Dear Parents/Carers,

**QParents is coming**
We will be sending out invitations for parents to register for QParents soon. One adult per family will be invited to register. This will be the parent that currently gets the term accounts. This person can then delegate other people to view the information online by providing them with a secure login. More information about QParents can be found at [https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about](https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about)

**Author Visit - Cameron Stelzer**
On Tuesday 30 August, we have a special visit from author and illustrator Dr Cameron Stelzer. Cameron is visiting Brisbane Central State School to run workshops with our students. Prep-Year 1 students will enjoy an interactive big screen book reading with Cameron, with the Year 1 session extending into a follow-along drawing activity. Year 3 students will be participating in a hands-on imaginative illustration workshop. Cameron will be engaging Year 2, 4/5, and 6 students in a workshop exploring exciting and descriptive writing. Students and teachers are looking forward to a fantastic day!

In conjunction with the author visit, Brisbane Central State School families have a special opportunity to purchase signed and personalised copies of Cameron’s books at special prices. Individual items are $15 each and there are also exclusive book sets available. Students will receive an order form on the day of the workshops. Forms and payment can be returned the following days (Wed 31 Aug, Thu 1 Sept or Fri 2 Sept), to the colourful box in the office. Cameron will personally sign all books (including the child’s name and a message), and students will receive their books in time for the school holidays.

**End of Term Parent Interviews:**
**Thursday 8 September from 3.30 – 8.30pm in the hall.**
Teachers will be conducting interviews from 3:30pm to 8:30pm. Some teachers will offer some alternative times so that all families have a chance to meet with the teacher. The bookings will be done online this term. An email will be sent with your login details.

Class teachers will offer 15 minute appointments for the meetings which will be held in the hall. At the end of the 15 minutes a sound will indicate the end of that session. During this time the teachers will outline your child’s progress, areas of strength and what they need to work on.

Regards,
Graham Rickuss

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**2016 School Improvement Agenda**
To improve student outcomes we will use the growth mindset strategies for:
1. Student Case Management in Reading to use data to differentiate for students.
2. Action Learning projects to gain an understanding of effective teaching strategies in writing.
3. Talk partners within the classroom to support learners.
4. Digital Literacies as a tool to engage learners.

**UPCOMING DATES:**

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Feedback
As part of our pedagogical (how we teach) framework, we provide feedback to parents each term. This term, our feedback takes the form of parent teacher interviews. Teachers provide feedback about your student and the Australian Curriculum achievement standards. The standards are a combination of knowledge and skills. For more information about the Australian curriculum go to:

http://v7-5.australiancurriculum.edu.au/curriculum/overview

What is a satisfactory result? How can my child improve?
At the parent teacher interviews we will have a display of satisfactory and above satisfactory student work samples in English and Mathematics. Feel free to browse this display to see what is expected of our students. To view these student work samples on line go to:

http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/Search?page=3&q=work+samples

Do you have a growth mindset? Does your child have a growth mindset?
What is a growth mindset? Growth mindset is the power of believing that you can improve and that mistakes are part of the learning process. People who believe their talents can be developed through hard work, good strategies and input from others have a growth mindset. Those who believe talents are based on gifts and cannot be changed have a fixed mindset. This is based on the research of Carol Dweck. You can find out more about growth mindset here.

You can discuss growth mindset with your child by viewing the story of The Dot.

Happy learning,
Leesa-Maree Jedras
ljedr1@eq.edu.au

From the Advanced Learner Program Coordinator

ICAS 2016 WRITING
Students in Years 3-6 participated in the ICAS 2016 Writing Assessment in June. We congratulate the students on their effort and achievement.

- 5 Distinction
- 7 Credit
- 6 Merit
- 14 Participation certificates.

Maureen Kelly
Advanced Learner Program Coordinator

From the Literacy Coach

Bee Readers Reward
The Bee Readers Reward Program for homework reading continues this term. Each child that completes his/her homework reading for the week gets a chance in a class draw. A winner is selected from each class at the end of term. Your child could be the lucky winner for their class. Each winning child receives a certificate and selects a book for the school library. We know that reading regularly is a great way to improve your child’s reading ability. We would like to encourage and reward the children for reading at home.

Maureen Kelly
Literacy Coach
Prep to Year 2 sports Day: Thursday 1 September

Extra, extra read all about it! From Rio to Central, the sports action continues after the Olympics. The Prep-Year 2 Sports Day will be held on Thursday 1 September. Our primary objective is to provide all students with the opportunity to participate to their level of ability. Place-getters will only be determined in sprint races, all other events are for students to have a go at a variety of novelty activities eg throws and tabloids.

We invite all parents, care givers, family and friends to this special event. What a great way to SPRING into September full of fun and good cheer. There will be a coffee van and BBQ run by PCYC for refreshments to be purchased.

Students require a water bottle, sunscreen, hat, any asthma puffers and clothing appropriate to sporting activities. Students are encouraged to wear clothing reflecting their Sports House. (Rogers-Red. St Paul's-Purple).

Appropriate footwear is encouraged in all events and should be of the lightweight, non-slip jogger style.

Times
8.55am-Students assemble at class
9am-Groups assemble in House areas.
9.15am-Novelty/Tabloid Rotation-Students will complete 6 rotations including throws and skill activities.
10.45am-Break, lunchtime.
11.30am-Prep sprints, Year 1 sprints, Year 2 sprints.
12.30am-presentation and finish.

Colour, movement and good spirit. Let’s enjoy the sports season around the world and here at school.
Dave Johnson- PE Teacher
Our school photos will be taken on the Wednesday 31st August 2016.

For the convenience of our school community, school photos can be ordered and paid for online using a secure online platform. PLEASE NOTE: Orders placed online DO NOT require an envelope to be handed in.

Envelope Orders: photos can also be purchased in the traditional manner using an envelope, with cash/cheque enclosed.

The preference of our school is that orders and payments be made online, as this reduces the administration and associated security issues related to the return of cash & envelopes on photo day.

To place your order visit www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code - V5E EHQ LM2. This code can also be found printed on your envelope. Please be aware that-

1. Sibling/Family Photos can be ordered online or via envelope. To ensure a smoothly run photo day, online orders for Sibling/Family Photos will be cut off at 12.00 a.m. the night before our photo day to allow a list of students that require Sibling/Family Photographs taken to be compiled. Sibling photos can still be ordered after the online cut off date by collecting an envelope from the office and returning the envelope on photo day with your payment enclosed.
2. All online orders should be placed on or before our day of photography.
3. The online code above may also be used to order sports and other group photos.

Active School Travel

Star Class Trophy
The following classes have won the Star Class Trophy.
To align with the Active School Travel awards run by the Brisbane City Council, the award will be going to the class that has the highest percentage of students using scooters to get to school each Friday.

The class with the highest percentage of scooter users was
Week 6: 2S

School Banking Program: Banking on Fridays

We are excited to announce that Brisbane Central State School has signed up to be part of the Commonwealth Bank’s School Banking Program.

The School Banking program provides children with an opportunity to deposit money into their Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at school each week. The program is about how often your child makes deposits, not how much they deposit. Please let the office know if you are interested in helping on Fridays to count the money.

Out of School Hours Care Service

During next term, we will be putting out a tender for our Out of School Hours Care Service. PCYC is the current provider for this service and will be able to apply as part of the process.
The next P & C meeting is on Wednesday 7 September starting at 6.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

**Uniform Shop News**
The opening days and hours are: **Every Tuesday 8.15 - 8.45 am**  **Every Friday 3.00 – 3.30 pm**
Payment in cash or mobile banking. Please contact Mahtab Nowrouzi at uniforms@brisbanecentralss.eq.edu.au if you require more information.
**The uniform shop will be closed on Tuesday 4 October.**

**Buy an Entertainment™ Membership and support our School!**
This is a fundraising initiative of the BCSS P&C with 20% of the proceeds from every Entertainment™ Membership we sell, contributing towards our School. The more Memberships we sell, the more we raise, so please tell your family and friends and share the link - www.entbook.com.au/22160s8
The NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment Memberships are packed with over $20,000 worth of valuable offers that you can use right away, valid up until 1 June 2017!

[Photos of students participating in a large science experiment]

YEAR 5 participation in the Guiness World Record for largest science experiment
Community News

KGSC ENROLMENTS: Enrolments 2018 (Current Year 5 students)

Please be aware that applications for enrolments for 2018 will open on Monday 11th July, 2017. Expressions of Interest (EOI’s) can be found on the College web site. It is recommended that this is done sooner rather than later.

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G.A.T.E.WAYS has pleasure in inviting gifted and talented children from Years 1 – 6 to

‘The Brisbane Festival of Workshops’ hosted by Somerville House, Graham Street, South Brisbane
Monday 19 September and Tuesday 20 September June 2016 from 9.30 am to 3.15 pm (registration 8.45 - 9.15)

G.A.T.E.WAYS Festivals offer a large range of workshops running concurrently over two days with the emphasis on challenge and fun. Parents may enrol directly at www.gateways.edu.au.

The Rackley Swimming Program based out of Centenary Aquatic Centre and St Joseph's College Gregory Terrace provides a fun, social and competitive environment for people of all ages and abilities. The program provides an elite high quality coaching and teaching team that oversee all levels from babies, learn to swim, through to junior and senior squads. These levels take place across 4 heated pools and provide the perfect environment for children to continue swimming all 'year-round’. This allows all children to consistently practice crucial safety skills in relation to water and to consistently improve their swimming abilities / compete for a swim club.

If you are interested in joining the Rackley Swimming Program or would like more information, please contact: centenary@rackleyswimteam.com.au

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PANTHERS SOFTBALL CLUB

SIGN ON HAPPENING NOW!

FREE Gear Bag for all Juniors that sign on with Panthers this season!

Contact us for more information:
Rhegan – 0401 826 711
Tracey – 0411 728 185
Or email pantherssoftball_club@hotmail.com

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100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY FAMILY FUN DAY

SATURDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER
10 AM - 2 PM
NEAL MACROSSAN PARK

COME AND JOIN US FOR A PLAY IN THE PARK

PETITIO ZOO, FACE PAINTING, GINGER SPORTS, COFFEE BY TALL SHORT, CAKE STALL
AUTHENTIC JAPANESE CUISINE BY TSURU SUSHI CAFE, SAUSAGE SIZZLE THANKS TO ROTARY CLUB
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