Hi Parents

We have had a great start to the year and a great turn out to our P&C Meeting on Tuesday. Don’t forget that our new families are more than welcome to join us. It is a great way to meet people and be involved in the school. We drew our money boards at our last P&C and winners have been announced. Congratulations to Tracy Wragge, Jaz Wallace, Brett Dumbleton, Joslyn Picton and Dean on being the lucky winners. Don’t forget a few of us owe money for money squares and our previous car wash. Could you please pay this money ASAP so we can account for all income?

Sarah Beckman is our new PE teacher and will be replacing Lana Stewart for the remainder of the year. Sarah Beckman will be here on Thursday mornings so our PE day remains the same. We are excited to welcome back Ray Robbins to our school this term. He will be working with all students in the lead up to Sports Day. Ray will be here on Friday afternoons. If there is any parent/grandparent who would like to assist in skill development for athletics events, please let the school know.

Next Monday Rebecca and I will be away at professional development. Emma Smith will cover the P-2 classroom on Monday while Rebecca participates in the Introductory workshop for the Age Appropriate Pedagogies project and Sandra Keller will work with Ms Gray in the 3-6 classroom on Monday and Tuesday. I will be in Brisbane at the 2nd Symposium for Future Leaders.

ANZAC Service and March

Mr Rathjen will visit our school on Friday 22 April at 9am, to address our ANZAC Service at school. Families are more than welcome to be a part of this service.

On Monday 25 April, Prospect Creek State School will participate in the Biloela ANZAC March. We will meet at the Information Centre at 9am ready for the March to begin at 9:30am sharp.

QLD State of Origin Clinic and Autograph session

Our 3-6 students have been invited to attend a QLD State of Origin Clinic and Autograph session at Gladstone on Tuesday 14 June. Selected schools from the Gladstone region have been invited to send a maximum of 20 students. We are extremely fortunate to receive this invitation and permission notes are attached to this newsletter. If your child wishes to go, please return your note by Friday 29 April at the absolute latest. We need to RSVP to QLD NRL by the beginning of May. Your assistance in returning these notes promptly is appreciated.
**P-2 NEWS**

P-2 have had a great start to the term! The students are adjusting to the new literacy routine with ease and are expanding their comprehension and inference skills. The preps have had a chance to participate in an obstacle course and will continue to weekly (Thank you, Mrs Boyd!). The year 1 students have been recognising nouns and verbs within books and together the year 1 and 2 students have been brainstorming for the creation of their characters for their own narratives (please ask them about their SPY PIGI).

The preps are creating their own pretend shop. They are looking for boxes/containers to be used in their shop! Preps also NEED a family photo (before they were born) for their history assessment this term (could these please be in ASAP)? They will need to answer questions from this photo.

Reminders: Homework is to be back Fridays and readers will be starting next week (Thursday - Wednesday).

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**Cake Stall**

We have our last cake stall for the term on Wednesday 20 April. This is one of our last fundraisers for the Canberra camp so your support with baking is appreciated. Please bring all baked goods to school on Tuesday (if possible) to allow for sprucing up the packaging!

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**Raffles**

We do have a couple of Raffles going at the moment. The first is a Mother’s Day raffle with a hamper of vouchers for mum and then a multi draw will follow. The cost of these tickets is $2 each and will be on sale at Andersons on Sunday if you wish to purchase one. They are also available from school if you wish to purchase a ticket. The second raffle is a large rug donated by Harvey Norman (worth $600). Tickets for this raffle are $1 each and a book of 5 raffle tickets will be sent home with families in the newsletter next week. If you receive these raffle tickets and have no intention of selling them, please return them back to school ASAP. It is extremely important for auditing purposes that we account for every ticket, sold or returned when conducting a raffle.

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Grace, Lara, Tayla, Cody & Charlie—completed their alphabet Caterpillar.
We have an exciting (but busy) term ahead. Thank you to those families who have helped with fundraising for our Canberra Camp. I know this has seemed never ending, but we are coming out the other side. We have our Cake Stall next week and Wusty’s Run coming up. Not long to go. We currently have $6,800 raised. As mentioned at our last P&C meeting, this money, with our Government Pacer rebate and our upcoming events could bring us close to our target if well supported with helpers and donations.

In the classroom students are working on their persuasive texts. Year Three students are learning all about their OREO paragraphs.

Opinion
Reason
Explanation
Opinion.

If students ask to do something; watch tv, play the computer, go to the park, etc. Ask them to persuade you using an OREO paragraph. They will need to come up with a great reason and explanation as to why they should do it. The Year 3-4 student had great fun convincing me that I shouldn’t play football for QLD. Enjoy!

Mrs Northey must not play football because she is a girl and she goes for the other team. Mrs Northey comes from NSW which is why she goes for them. – Elli

Mrs Northey must not play football because she’ll get injured or a ball will hit her in the face. Mrs Northey hasn’t had much practise so might not see the ball or she might trip over when running and hurt herself. – Oscar

Mrs Northey must not play football because she doesn’t know the skills. She doesn’t know how to do the side step, gridiron chuck or spiral pass. This is why Mrs Northey must not play football. – Ryan

Mrs Northey must not play football because she cannot kick that far. She isn’t strong like other players. – Tom

Mrs Northey must not play football because she doesn’t know all the positions. – Ilyssa

Mrs Northey must not play football because she can’t kick very far. She is not strong enough because she hasn’t been practising, which is why Mrs Northey must not play football. – Nick S

Mrs Northey must not play for QLD because she cheers for the other team as she comes from NSW. – Jordan

School Banking News!

Hi school bankers great news this week!! We have a competition that will run from week 2 of term until week 9 and you could win a $20 Target gift card! All you have to do is bank 5 times in this time frame and you go into the draw to win! At parade in week 10 I will draw the lucky winning ticket so make sure you get your banking organised every Tuesday!

Thanks
Mrs Tappin

School Attendance Term 1, 2016

Target 96%
Prospect Creek State School

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Teacher Aides: Belinda Gardiner/ Sally Neve/Jacinta Philips & Anna Boyd
Admin Officer: Leisa Jordan
Administration days: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am—2:30pm
Grounds Persons—Tim Boyd
Schools Officer - Brenda Koroiko

P&C Committee
President—Trudy Tappin
Vice President—Cherie Gooding
Treasurer—Adam Northey
Secretary—Tegan Pratt
RREAP Representative—Melissa Blyton
Treat Kitchen Co-ordinator—Emma Corfield

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mobile Library—Tuesday 19th April
RSL Raffles—Friday 22nd April
Anzac Parade—Monday 25th April
Port Curtis Cross Country—Friday 29th April
NAPLAN—Tues 10th—Thurs 12th May
Biloela Show Day—Friday 13th May
Prospect Creek Athletics Carnival—Wednesday 18th May
Wusty’s Run—Saturday 21st May
Callide Valley Small Schools Athletics Wowan—Friday 27th May
QLD State of Origin Excursion—Tuesday 14th June

Mrs Northey—Wednesday April 20th

Students of the Week

Ryan—Well done on a great finish to term 1. Keep up your effort in term 2!

Quaid—A fantastic end to the first term by working hard and great behaviour!