Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We have reached the last week of Term and I would like to congratulate EVERY student who was successful in meeting the criteria to attend Celebration Day. On Wednesday all students who meet Zillmere State School AIM HIGH behaviour expectations and had attended school, consistently for 95% of the term enjoyed a Movie, Popcorn and Pizza in recognition for their marvellous effort. I know you will join me in congratulating them on their achievements. Jason Woodforth our local MLA came along and presented students with some fabulous prizes (see photos), we would to thank Jason for his support in encouraging student attendance and success at Zillmere State School. As you are aware school attendance is a priority for all students. In order to achieve their BEST it is ESSENTIAL that all students attend EVERY DAY. The motto EVERYDAY COUNTS is not just a catch phrase but a critical element for their success. Planning is already underway for Term 4 Celebration Day, it will still be an opportunity to acknowledge and reward student behaviour and attendance but will have a different format – stay tuned for more details next term.

School resumes on Tuesday 7th October as Monday the 6th October is a Public Holiday.

Parents are reminded that Monday 20th October is a Student Free Day. All school staff will be involved in Professional Development, please plan ahead to ensure that you have made alternative arrangements for the care of your children on this day.

On a personal note I would like to thank the Zillmere State School parent community for their support during my first term here. I have been warmly welcomed by this amazing school community and am eagerly looking forward to the return of school next term. I encourage all families to take some time to relax, recuperate and stay safe during these school holidays.

Rotary Club of Nundah
On assembly last week Chris Johnson (President of Rotary Nundah) presented the school with an outstanding literacy support resource Tales from the Dilly Bag’. This kit contains a great range of quality literacy materials that will be well used by teachers and student. A huge thank you to Rotary Nundah for their continued support of our school.
Swimming Term 4
Swimming for all students recommences on Thursday 9\textsuperscript{Th} October, under the coordination of Mr Zac Kelsey. State Schooling has set stringent safety guidelines to which we strictly adhere. To ensure the maximum safety for all involved we are requesting parent volunteers to act as ‘Safety Spotters’. Full training will be provided and is essential for participation. Training will occur on Tuesday 7\textsuperscript{th} October at 3:05pm at the school pool. We are asking parent ‘Safety Spotters’ to commit to attending for the full 10 weeks of swimming. This is NOT a whole day commitment, we would love volunteers to attend for a one hour session during the swimming day. If you are able to commit to assisting for the full term please consider attending the training session. Telephone 3863 8333 to RSVP for the training.

Parents are also reminded about our Swimming Dress Code: Togs (full piece), Swimming cap and swim shirt/tight fitting shirt with sleeves (NO CAP/SHIRT MEANS NO SWIMMING), 30+ sunscreen, sunsuit if preferred. **NO JEWELLERY – It is the Students responsibility to have earrings either removed or taped prior to arriving at the pool.** (Medical alert jewellery excluded).

Please ensure that your child brings their togs, t-shirt, towel and bathing cap (swim goggles are recommended) EVERY THURSDAY. Your child **WILL NOT** be able to swim without bathing cap and swim shirt.

P&C News

Bunnings BBQ
A huge thank you to everyone who came and supported this significant fundraising event over $500 was raised.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop will now be open every Thursday morning for over the counter sales, please remember that all sales are CASH ONLY.

**Opening times: Thursday’s 8:30 – 10:30am**

At the last P&C meeting it was decided that to continue to ensure the successful operation of this service there will be a small price rise for some item:
- Shorts - $20  Hats - $10

Next P&C Meeting will be on Tuesday 7\textsuperscript{th} October 3:15pm in the school Library

Prep Enrolments 2015
If you have a new Prep student starting in 2015 please pick up an enrolment form from the office next week and book into the Prep Transition Days (there are limited spaces available).
- Wednesday 8\textsuperscript{th} October
- Wednesday 22\textsuperscript{nd} October
- Friday 7\textsuperscript{th} November

Future Prep students will be able to participate in activities, meet other children and become familiar with our Prep environment.

During the morning activities parents will have the opportunity to meet the Principal and teacher, become familiar with the Prep program and learn more about our Pre-Prep days that will occur throughout term 4 this year.
**Diary Dates**
- NO Tuckshop first week
- Banking—8th October 2014
- Swimming lessons commence—9th October 2014
- P&C Meeting—7th October 2014
- First Day of Term 4
- Pupil Free Day—20th October 2014

**Students at School**
Parents are reminded that parking in the top carpark is reserved for staff. In recent weeks I have observed an excessive number of vehicles using this area as a student drop off zone. While this is convenient for parents it is an extremely unsafe practice. I have seen an unacceptable number of students walking and running unaccompanied in this vehicle space. I remind parents that there is a student drop off zone off Merrit Avenue.

Out of concern for student safety I will be monitoring the use of the staff carpark, if this area continues to be used as a student drop off zone the gates will be locked each morning and afternoon. I know the safety of children is of grave concern for every member of Zillmere State School Community and I look forward to your support in this matter.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

Warm regards
Tracey Clark
Principal

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**Mr Jason Woodforth presents prizes to students on Celebration Day**

![Image of students with Mr. Woodforth]
Thank you parents/caregivers once again for your support and interest in your child’s development and learning. It was great to see so many parents make appointments to discuss their child’s progress this term. It is an exciting time of year as the students begin to consolidate their understandings and display their growth in preparation for Year 1 and 2! Yes Year 1 and 2 are just around the corner!

Homework will continue next term. It is important to read daily with your child.

Skills to be focusing on for reading:
- Using the picture for a clue.
- Recognising sight words in the text.
- Recognising the first sound in words as a clue.
- Using their sound knowledge to sound out or break apart words e.g. w-e-n-t, went.
- Using new sounds as they are introduced e.g. sh, ch, fr.

**NEXT TERM OUR WEEKLY ROUTINE INCLUDES:**

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Please feel free to come and see us in Prep/One anytime. Your child would love to see you helping in the class. Have safe and happy holidays!

Michelle Tukuafu
Have a Jabiru Holiday this September/ October

Jabiru Kids has planned a great program of activities for the September/ October holidays. We’ll make mini minions, cuddle worms, spell with spaghetti, invent new recipes, prospect for gold and fabricate footy foam fingers.

This holidays our excursion is to Walkabout Creek Wildlife Centre to meet native animals and explore the bush. Special visitors from Second Nature Indigenous Arts will introduce us to Indigenous cultural activities, painting and games.

Children from Zillmere State School are warmly welcomed at Jabiru’s vacation care program at Taigum or Boondall State Schools or one of our other sites. **Try a day for free:** if you haven’t tried Jabiru before, join us for a free day of holiday fun. Just mention this article when you book.

The full program is available from Jabiru Zillmere or online at [http://www.jabiru.org.au/kids](http://www.jabiru.org.au/kids) Jabiru vacation care is cheaper than you think, especially for people entitled to Child Care Benefit: call Jabiru for a quote on 3269 0044.
School Awards
Perfect Attendance & Gotcha Award

Hot Shots

Aim High Awards

Various Awards

Perfect Attendance

Various Awards

Oxford Words

Girls Netball
**ME CHosen Seat Workshops**

How to make reps create renewable energy.

**WHERE & WHEN**

Zillmere Community Centre 24 Sandford Rd Zillmere
Tel: 07 328 18 66 10

Limited places available

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**ZILLMERE**

North East Community Support Group Incorporated

**MINDCLICKS**

South Pines West

**MENTAL HEALTH EXPO 2014**

**Family fun day**

**Maintaining health relationships and being connected**

**Saturday, 11 October, 10.00 AM - 3.00 PM**

94 Sandford Road, Zillmere

**Phone:** 3883 2540

**Information stalls**

- Raffle & lucky door prizes
- Give away
- Popcorn/fairy floss

**FREE BBQ LUNCH**

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

**Art exhibition**

**Entertainment**

**Children’s activities**

- Face painting with Estelle Maguire
- Wayne Neds

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**Craigslea State High School**

An Independent Public School

**OPEN MORNINGS**

First and Third Friday each Month

10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

See classes in action,
Meet Students and Staff,
Tour the School!

Contact Cathie:

cathie@shs.qld.edu.au

Tel: 07 328 22 22

Craigslea State High School

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**T21 FESTIVAL**

Saturday 4th October | 12:30 – 4:30

Come and join us for an afternoon of adventure as the Down Syndrome Association of Queensland celebrates diversity in our community.

**Old Petrie Town**

**Dayboro Road**

**Kurwongbah**

A wide variety of food options to explore

- Final demonstrations
- A new dance group
- Scary Kids Will School Choo
- Cooking demonstration by Masterchef’s Julia Taylor.

Come along as the teams make their cooking tips, recipes and live cooking just for us.

- RIDES
- GIANT SLIDE
- SINGERS
- GIANT BUNGEES
- BEER TENT
- FACE PAINTING
- LIVE BANDS

**OLD PETRIE TOWN — THE PARK WITH HEART**

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**DOllARITIES PROGRAM**

**School banking**

- Ensure your child has a savings account.
- Encourage your child to save their pocket money, even if it’s only a small amount.
- Set a target to save a certain amount of money by the end of the school year.
- Consider opening a savings account for your child.
- Encourage your child to save regularly for a specific goal.
- Teach your child the importance of saving and the benefits of saving.
- Help your child track their savings and celebrate their achievements.

**School banking day**

- Every three years a child saves a virtual dollar through the school banking program, which can be spent on a variety of activities.
- Children can also save their pocket money through this program.
- Encourage your child to save regularly for a specific goal.
- Help your child track their savings and celebrate their achievements.

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**Community News**

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If you would like to be part of our Community Advertising please contact Zillmere State School on 3863 8333.