Principal’s News:

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Firstly, I would like to congratulate everyone on a magnificent Small School’s Swim Carnival. What an amazing day we all had. It was great to see all students get an opportunity to practice the swimming skills that they have been learning throughout the year. It was fantastic having our guests from Hamilton and Hendra State Schools join us for the day. The sportsmanship and AIM HIGH Behaviour displayed by students was very heart warming. A lot of people gave generously of their time and resources to make this day special for our students – thankyou to you all, I would like to make special acknowledgment of: ‘Miss Lorraine’ Timperley whose outstanding organisational skills were again on display, Miss Indira Jones for managing the ‘McDonalds’ fundraiser, Mr and Mrs Marsters for providing the sausage sizzle and Mr Rod Chiapello from McDonalds Bracken Ridge for your continuing support of our school.

Next week is a huge week in our school calendar, Tuesday is our school ‘Christmas Concert and Disco’ at the Salvation Army Hall. This is sure to be a fabulous night where we can come together as the Zillmere State School Family to celebrate the school year. I look forward to seeing you all there. A huge thank you to Mrs O’Shea for preparing the students for this musical extravaganza and to Wal for organising and managing this evening. Don’t forget the P&C will have a Sausage Sizzle and Christmas Gift Stall operating on this night.

Wednesday morning our whole school will participate in a special Christmas Service, thank you to Wal and our fabulous RE Teachers for planning this celebration of Christmas. Please make sure you have returned your permission slips.

Wednesday night is the Seniors Graduation at the Geebung RSL, this is an opportunity for parents and staff to honour our graduating students. Thank you to Miss Niven and the senior students for planning this special evening.

And finally, Friday is Celebration Day! Early next week students will bring home a letter to advise you of their involvement. Students who have met the eligibility criteria (based on AIM HIGH Behaviour and attendance) will take part in rotational activities and enjoy a hot dog and ice-cream cone for lunch. Students who have not met attendance and behaviour expectations will be spending this time completing school work that they have not finished. It will be free dress day with a gold coin donation going to the chaplaincy program.
Early Arrivals
Recently several students have arrived at school very early in the morning. I would like to remind parents that our school day commences at 8:50am. Students who arrive at school before 8:30am are NOT supervised and must sit quietly under ‘the big tree’. **There are NO members of staff available to supervise students before 8:30am.**

Report Cards
Semester 2 report cards will be issued to students on Wednesday 10\(^{th}\) December. These will be given to students at the end of the school day. Please read through your students report with them.

2015 Classes
On Wednesday 10\(^{th}\) December (the last Wednesday of term) students will ‘visit’ their new classrooms. While every effort is made to ensure that these classes are correct for 2015 they are subject to ‘Day 8 Enrolments’. The class compositions could change due to the number of students enrolled in each year level on this day.

Christmas Tree Display
Don’t forget to visit our entry in the “Deck the Halls of the Hypermarket” Christmas tree decorating competition. The donations made to the Zillmere State School tree will go to our Chaplaincy program.

P&C Meeting
This next meeting will be held next Tuesday (2\(^{nd}\) December) morning 9:30am in the Library. Please come along and support the important work this dedicated group does for our school.

Parking in the Staff Car Park
For student safety reason this car park is reserved for staff only. Please **DO NOT** use this area as a drop-off or pick-up zone. **YOU ARE PUTTING STUDENT SAFETY AT RISK.**

Warm regards

Tracey Clark
Principal
School Awards

Junior Handball Competition Finalists

YR 1/2 Class Presentation

Year 6/7 Wins Recycling Award

Class Awards

Aim High Awards

Spelling Awards

Kim (Winner), Seth, Kasi & Hirun

Yeshua, Mr Dargusch, PJ & Seth

Lianna, Willson, Bhim, Jaccel & Amber

Zack, Repaio, Solomona, Bodhi, Gavin & Jaliyah

Mateo, Jesse, Deepesh & Hannah

Shyleekqua, Kasi, Hirun & Simone
School Awards

Recycling Award Yr 1/2

P/1 Class Performance

Jacel, Sezom, Daniel & Mervin

Spelling Awards

Melanie, Jake, Harmony & Joseph

Alexander with Class Teachers

Class Awards

Ally, Jasmine, Shyleekqua, Laylah, Zahrish & Jedidiah
DOLLARMITES PROGRAM

Zillmere State School takes part in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program. This exciting new initiative is a great way to teach our children about good money management, the development of strong financial literacy skills and the importance of saving.

The main purpose of this program is to give children a basic understanding of core financial values in a fun, hands-on way.

HOW DO I GET MY CHILD INVOLVED IN THIS PROGRAM?

To be part of the School Banking Program, your child will have to open a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver (Dollarmite account). This can be done a number of ways:

- Apply at any Commonwealth Bank (make sure you take a copy of your child’s birth certificate and photo identification for yourself).
- If you’re an existing Commonwealth Bank customer you can open an account through Netbank.
- If your child already has a Dollarmite account that’s great, they can start using this account on school banking days.

School Banking Day is every Wednesday.

They will need to hand in their money (no minimum amount) with their yellow wallet and deposit book into their teacher for collection on Wednesday mornings. After the deposits have been processed, the children’s books will be returned to their teachers to be handed back to the student.

Initiatives to keep your child excited?

This year the School Banking Program is themed around the Deep Sea Savers – a magical land created to spark their imagination as they learn:

- Every time your child makes a deposit through the School Banking Program, regardless of how much, they receive a cool Dollarmite token. Once they have individually saved 10 tokens, they can swap them for fun Dollarmites gifts, like handballs, money boxes, headphones and much more!

- All you need to do is fill in & return your rewards card together with your 10 silver tokens to redeem your reward.

- There will also be various rewards, certificates and competitions running throughout the year.

- Another great benefit is that your child will receive bonus interest on their savings when they make a deposit but no withdrawals in a month.

- This program will also benefit our school. For every activated account via the School Banking Program the Commonwealth Bank will give the school $5 for each student who banks through the school’s program for the very first time as well as a commission on every deposit made at school.
What's up in 1/2?

News from Jabiru

A fun filled afternoon with the School Teachers at Jabiru. Thank you teachers for all the love and support!

Merry Christmas

TUESDAY 2nd DECEMBER
4-7PM
CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Zillmere State School Christmas Concert & Disco

4pm Sausage sizzle + drinks + lollies for sale

5pm Christmas concert

6pm - 7pm Disco

Christmas gifts for sale!

VENUE:
The Salvation Army
Cnr Hadfield & Roghan Roads Taigum
Padua College
SCHOLARSHIPS
28 February 2014

At least two Academic scholarships are offered for Years 7, 8 & 9/2016-2018.
and
At least two Academic scholarships are offered for Years 10, 11 & 12/2016-2018.
Registration via our website – www.padua.qld.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships
Cost: $120
Closing Date: Monday 9 February 2015
Save on fuel
You don’t need to drive all over town – order online and get everything you need delivered straight to your door.

Save time
Get everything you need from the one place.

Value for money
Get quality products that will last the whole school year at great prices.

Reduced Prices
Your School has negotiated reduced prices for all pre-ordered booklists from Bedrock Books!

*Reduced prices not available when shopping in store.

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