

Robina

State School

Learning Together - Shaping Tomorrow



P & C meets 2nd Wednesday of each month 6.30pm in the Staffroom.

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COMING EVENTS

29 April - 6 May	Mothers Day Stall
Tuesday, 10, May Wednesday, 11 May Thursday, 12 May	Years 3 and 5 NAPLAN
Tuesday 17 May Thursday 19 May	Fanfare - CPAC
Wednesday, 18 May - Friday, 20 May	Year 5 Camp Midginbil Hill
Monday, 23 May - Friday, 25 May	The Monstrous Book Fair

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

NAPLAN

What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Why do students do NAPLAN tests?

NAPLAN is the measure through which governments, education authorities, schools, teachers and parents can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy. The tests provide parents and schools with an

understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. They also provide schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and what areas need to be prioritised for improvement.

NAPLAN tests are one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process; they do not replace the extensive ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance.

NAPLAN 2016 timetable

	Tuesday 10 May	Wednesday 11 May	Thursday 12 May
Year 3	Language conventions 40 minutes Writing 40 minutes	Reading 45 minutes	Numeracy 45 minutes
Year 5	Language conventions 40 minutes Writing 40 minutes	Reading 50 minutes	Numeracy 50 minutes

How can I help my child prepare for the tests?

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students have already been learning through the school curriculum. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the test formats and will provide appropriate support and guidance. If you have any questions about your child's preparation for NAPLAN, you should make a time to speak with their teacher.

The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to reassure your child that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day. The use of services by coaching providers is not recommended.

What additional support can schools provide for students with special needs?

All students are encouraged to participate in NAPLAN tests. Students with disability may qualify for adjustments that reflect the support normally provided in the classroom. Students who have a temporary injury may also be reasonably accommodated.

A formal exemption may be granted for a student with significant intellectual disability and/or significant coexisting conditions, or for a student who has recently arrived in Australia and has a non-English speaking background.

Contact the school for more information on special provisions or the process required to gain a formal exemption.

How is NAPLAN performance measured?

NAPLAN is not a pass-or-fail type test. Individual student performance is shown on a national achievement scale for each test. Each test scale has 10 bands and all year levels are reported on the same scale. Six bands are reported for each year level for each test. One of these bands represents the national minimum standard for students at each year level. A result at the national minimum standard indicates that the student demonstrated the basic literacy and numeracy skills needed to participate fully in that year level. The performance of individual students can be compared to the average performance of all students in Australia.

What happens if my child is absent from school on test days?

Where possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during the testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday, 13 May 2016.

Will I receive a report on my child's performance?

A NAPLAN report will be issued by your school later in the year. The same report format is used for every student in Australia. The school will notify you when the reports are being sent to you. If you do not receive a report, you should contact the school. Individual student results are strictly confidential.

C R Eveans, Principal

P&C NEWS

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Robina State School P&C is excited to be offering families the opportunity to purchase Entertainment Memberships again this year to help raise much needed funds. 20% of each membership sold goes straight to our fundraising for the P&C. The Entertainment Memberships are filled with over \$20,000 worth of offers, including many "buy one get one free" or 25% off discounts.

For only \$60 you will only need to use it twice to get your money back...

The Entertainment Memberships will make a perfect resource for a family, or even a great idea for a gift. To purchase your Entertainment Book or the Digital Entertainment Membership (which is the whole book) downloaded straight to your smartphone – go online now to:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/14496x6>

Please make payment to Student Services by 4th May.

SMART CHOICES

New legislation has been enacted outlining "Smart Choices" classifications for food and drinks that we offer in our Tuckshop. As a committee and with the support of our Business Managers we are reviewing our menu and services in this area. We are required to make these changes by Term 1, 2017. In the interim we have released a new menu and we are excited to announce on-line ordering will be rolled out over the next couple of weeks.

ROBINA STATE SCHOOL COMMUNITY FUND

Nomination forms are now available at the OSHC and will be treated in confidence. If you see a family in our school community that are doing it tough then nominate them for this terms Community Fund. Small things can make a great deal of difference to these families.

Enjoy your week.

Colin Frew, P&C President

CPR NEWS

LIBRARY VOLUNTEER CHALLENGE FOR THURSDAY, 5 MAY - 6D

If you have a child in 6D then please join your CPR in the library on Thursday 5th May from 1.00pm to 3.00pm. You can spend a few hours helping out in the Library as well as enjoying some lovely afternoon tea provided by the Tuckshop ladies.

Don't forget if you have a spare half hour while waiting to pick up your children, or at any other

time during the day you can always visit the library to help out. Your hours can then be added to your class total or you can choose to donate your hours to another class.

The library staff (and our children!) really appreciate your help!

THE MOTHERS DAY STALL STARTS THIS FRIDAY

Our Mother's Day Stall starts this Friday 29th April and runs through until Friday 6th May, before and after school. We have a great range of gifts from \$0.50 to \$10.00, but as usual we have limited stock of each item so make sure you get in quick! Please see the attached flyer with more details:

Thank you to everyone who has already put their name on the roster to help. However, we still need more volunteers to help at the stall, so if you are available, please click on the link to the SignUpGenius roster below:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4CABAF23A0F49-2016>

Thank you in advance for your help and support. All money raised at the stall benefits every child at Robina State School.

We will also be having a special Prep and Year 1 VIP Shopping session from 9.00am – 1000am on Tuesday 3rd May (please see the attached flyer).

So if you have a child in Prep or Year 1, you may like to send in an envelope with some money in it and we'll help them with their shopping for Mum.

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD IN THE MUSIC PROGRAM OR ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE RSS MUSIC PROGRAM?

We have again set up a 2016 Closed Group on Facebook for the Robina State School Music Community Group as another way to provide information to our families involved in the music community (which means you have to request to join) but everyone within the school community is welcome to join, whether you have a child in the music programme or not. Just click on the 'Join Group' button on the top right hand side of the Group Page.

The link to the page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/RobinaSSMusicCommunityGroup2016/>

If you would like more information about the CPR / MPR programme, please don't hesitate to contact me on mfrew11@eq.edu.au

BOOTCAMP CLASSES - EVERY FRIDAY MORNING

Boot camp classes for Robina State School Mums, Dads, Caregivers and Years 3 – 6 commence again this coming Friday 15th April.

Details as follows:

Years 3 – 6

When: 7:45am – 8:30am

Where: CPAC Hall

Cost: \$10 / term. Consent / payment forms can be collected from the office. Please contact Chappy Paul for more information.

Robina State School Parents (Mums and Dads) and Caregivers

When: 9:00am to 10:00am

Where: Meet on the oval after school drop off every Friday morning during the school term.

Cost: FREE

Suitable for all fitness levels. Come along & meet fellow parents from our school community while improving / maintaining your fitness levels. Plenty of laughs & fun guaranteed along the way!

Thank you to Ray White Robina who are giving parents the opportunity to participate in these great bootcamp classes.

Marian Frew, School Community Liaison Officer

mfrew11@eq.edu.au

MUSIC NEWS

FANFARE COMPETITION

Our strings and band groups are performing in the 2016 Fanfare competition. Many students received an information/permission note today. Those who did not will be issued with one by the end of the week. Please find a copy of the note attached to this message. Could all permission slips please be returned to the administration office or your child's instrumental teacher by Friday May 6th.

Music Department

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Online ordering is coming soon. Watch this space for more information.

- Please remember ice block prices start at 60c,
- Hash browns and nachos are no longer available.

*Janine, Tania and Jane,
Tuckshop Convenors*

**HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENT
INFORMATION**

COMMUNITY NEWS