



The Petrie Log

WE ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT EVERY DAY,
IN EVERY CLASSROOM, EVERY STUDENT IS LEARNING AND ACHIEVING

PETRIE LOG - Edition 02/17 – February 8th 2017

From the Principal

AIP priorities

Successful Learners	Great People Teaching Quality Principal Leadership & Performance	High Standards School Performance	Engaged Partners Regional Support Local decision making
Analysis and discussion of data Culture that promotes learning Differentiated Teaching and Learning Researched Based Improve student Attendance Positive Behaviour for Learning	Effective Pedagogical Practices - Researched Based Expert Teaching Team Pedagogical Framework PLT Professional Learning Teams Literacy Priority- Numeracy Priority	Explicit improvement Agenda: Targeted improvement plan Systemic Curriculum Delivery SWPBS-School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Celebrate Success	P&C School and community partnerships Regional support Best Practice Networks with other schools

Class Visits

Mrs Greenland and I look forward to our days that we visit classrooms each week. We have been giving feedback to our teachers about what we observe in the classrooms. It has also been great for us to touch base with parents/caregivers and volunteers in our classrooms. We want our school to become the learning hub of our community and this helps inform us of what our focus areas on learning are in our school.

Attendance

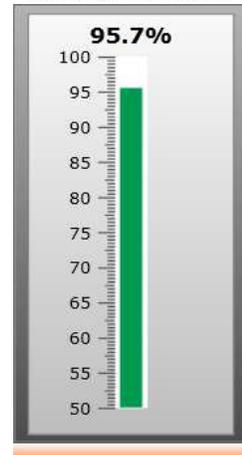
Every day counts

As we begin Term 1, parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school every day. Being at school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year.

Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year.

More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at <http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/index.html>

Attendance Rate



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 Phone Numbers:
 School: 3285 0333
 Fax: 3285 0300
 Snack Shack: 3285 0303



Code of Conduct

As the Principal of a Queensland State School, it is my responsibility to ensure that staff, students and visitors are provided with a safe environment. Schools should be places of support and nurturing, where inappropriate behaviour from any person cannot be accepted.

Petrie State School follows the department's **Code of School Behaviour** which outlines expected behaviours for students, staff, parents and other members of the school community. For your information, this document is available on the department's website at the following address:

<http://education.qld.gov.au/publication/production/reports/pdfs/code-school-behaviour-a3.pdf>

I wish to advise that any person, whilst on school grounds must behave in a manner that is consistent with the department's Code of School Behaviour and **section 337 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006** enables me to take action to direct a person's movement and conduct whilst at this school.

Schools are not the place to resolve matters that can more properly be resolved privately with the assistance of the Australian Government's Family Relationships Service, a dispute resolution service or in the Family Court. To this end you are expected to maintain appropriate behaviour while on school premises. I know that we have a caring school community where we can work together to ensure the best educational outcomes for your children and trust that all members of our school community will follow our expectations regarding the safety of children.

Get involved in our P&C

Getting involved with a Parents & Citizens Association (P&C) can be a rewarding and enjoyable experience, but many people may be unsure of how it works. If you've never been involved in a P&C before, the Quick Guide for P&C Executive Officers is a great way to get familiar with what they do, and how you can help out. The guide sets out the roles and responsibilities of members in an easy-to-read format. The Quick Guide for P&C Executive Officers has been produced by the Queensland Council of Parents' and Citizens' Associations and Education Queensland and is available for download from the Department of Education and Training website at

<http://education.qld.gov.au/parents/pdf/quickguide-pc-executiveofficers.pdf>

Petrie State School P & C Association AGM will be conducted on Monday **March 20**

We remain focused on our school vision "We are working together to ensure that every day, in every classroom, every student is learning and achieving."

Tobacco Laws in Queensland

From 1 January 2015, smoking was banned at all Queensland state and non-state schools, and for 5 metres beyond their boundaries.

The law applies at all times—during and after school hours, on weekends and during school holidays. It includes the use of all smoking products, including regular cigarettes and devices commonly known as electronic cigarettes.

School land is defined as land on which a:

- state school provides education programs under the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006*
- non-state school provides primary education, secondary education or special education under the *Education (Accreditation of Non-State Schools) Act 2011*
- state or non-state school provides other educational facilities, instruction or activities, for example, sports grounds, and including land that is owned or leased by the school

Five metre buffer

The buffer is a 5 metre no-smoking area around the perimeter of the school, beyond the school land boundary; including all structures in this area, such as bus shelters and car parks. This area does not extend into residential or business premises that share a boundary with school land.

These laws create a culture that:

- reduces exposure to second-hand smoke
- supports smokers trying to quit

- discourages children from taking up the habit.

Research shows that young people are much less likely to take up smoking if their schools, homes and recreation areas are no-smoking areas. Efforts to help adults to quit smoking and reducing exposure to smoking in public places also sends a positive message to young people about not smoking.

They are primarily enforced by Queensland Health Environmental Health Officers (EHOs), who can:

- issue individuals warnings and on-the-spot fines
- issue businesses improvement notices, warnings and on-the-spot fines
- initiate legal proceedings for breaches of the tobacco laws
- respond to complaints
- inspect premises
- provide advice about the tobacco laws.

If you are smoking in a no-smoking zone and approached by an authorised EHO, you are required by law to provide your correct name and address to the officer. They generally do not wear a uniform, but they will show an identification card before asking any questions.

Critical Incident

In the case of a critical incident for example a fire it is necessary for all schools to have a critical incident plan, this is to ensure the safety of all staff, students and any person on the school grounds. Part of this plan is our schools evacuation and lock down procedures. Once a term as a school we have a practise of each, this entails alarms to be sounded and then we follow our plans.

**Regards
Angelique**

From the Deputy Principal

Many parents attended our Parent Information Sessions this week. These evenings were an opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher and hear about classroom plans, routines and procedures for the year. We want parents to know about, and have the opportunity to ask questions about the classroom programs. It takes a team to provide the best possible opportunities for each child, and we appreciate parents' interest in and support for what happens at school. Communication is the basis of solid positive relationships. If you were not able to make it this week, please take the time to touch base with your child's teacher ASAP and ask any questions you may have.

School photos will be taken on 3rd March. This week parents received information about how to place orders for school photos. The best option for parents is to order and pay online. To place your order, go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code- **WYP 3T6 REG**. Parents could also place their money in the envelopes that will be sent home. Envelopes should be handed to the photographers on the day. Please note that the school does not handle money for school photos.

Student safety is a priority at school. This includes students arriving at and leaving school safely. The afternoon is particularly busy, and there is a lot of traffic immediately out the front of the school and on Dayboro Road. Unfortunately, we have had parents with young children ducking through the traffic to cross the road in front of the school. We expect that students who cross over Tandoor Drive to meet parents on the other side of the road will walk up to the lights and cross safely there, and we would appreciate parents doing the same. Tandoor Drive is far too busy for anyone to cross safely at other places. Also, the pick-up zone becomes clogged up when a car parks there. Please note that this is not a parking area. Parents should not leave their car. We ask them to stop, children climb in the car, and they go. The entry gate to the school on Tandoor Drive is locked at 2.45. This is again for student safety. Please help us to keep your children safe.

Linley Greenland, Deputy Principal

From the Business Services Manager

Student Resource Scheme invoices will be sent home this week. If you haven't completed your SRS Participation Agreement Form there is still time.

Any letters or forms that are sent home will be available on our website.

If any families have any financial difficulties or special requests please do not hesitate to phone the office and make an appointment to discuss possible options.

Invoices

We are welcoming a new process this year for the sending of invoices. All invoices will be sent via email (where possible). Letters and permission slips will be sent home within two school days. Families without a current email address on our system will receive an invoice with their letter and permission slip.

We are hoping to reduce the amount of paper wastage at Petrie SS as well as providing a more reliable way of getting important information home to parents/caregivers.

If you need to update your email address at the school please email office@petriess.eq.edu.au

Jody Lawton,
Business Services Manager

Calendar of Events

February	
8	Parent Information Evening 3 - 6
13	Cyberbullying Presentations Year 4 9:30am – 10:15am Year 5 10:15am – 11:00am Year 6 12:00pm – 12:45pm
15	District Swimming
March	
3	School Photos
13	Young Leaders' Day
13	Creative Gen Rehearsal
17	Inter School Sport GALA Day
17	Say No to Bullying Day
24	Cross Country
24	Disco
27	Parent Interview Week
28	Parent Interview Evening
28	Free Dress Day- World Vision
31	Easter Hat Parade
31	Last day of Term 1
April	
18	First day of Term 2

From the Music Department

The music department hands out permission forms, notes and Student Resource Scheme information on **gold paper**.

Each family will receive one SRS note per family to cover the cost of:

- Provision of Band / Ensemble / Choir music \$15
- Hire of Music Uniform \$15

This cost is only paid once per child (whether or not your child is in multiple groups). This form needs to be returned to the office to allow for the invoice to be generated. You do not need to pay this money until the invoice is received.

Student Absence Line: 3285 0360

This is a 24 hour message service.

Absence email address

absences@petriess.eq.edu.au

Instrumental Lessons

Instrumental Lessons have now commenced. The Gold Student Resource Scheme form for the loan of instruments needs to be returned to the office before school instruments can be taken home.

Mrs Jaye Guarrera teaches the **Woodwind, Brass and Percussion Students** on **Tuesdays**. (jguar2@eq.edu.au)

Ms Leanne Cahill teaches the **String Students** on **Wednesdays**. (lcahi11@eq.edu.au)

The Instrumental Timetable will be sent home to students when it is finalised.

Students who have already been learning an instrument (ie. continuing students) are expected to be part of the String Ensemble or Concert Band. These rehearsals will be held before school. These rehearsals will commence next week – Tuesday 14 February for Band, Wednesday 15 February for String Ensemble. Please make sure that your child is punctual for rehearsals to allow for the maximum learning time. Every child is a member of the team. If one is missing the team is not effective. **Please note that if your child is beginning instrumental lessons this year, they are not required to attend before school rehearsals at this time.**

Choir

Junior Singers for interested **Year 1 – 2** students will be held on **Wednesday** lunchtimes. The students come to the music room when they are dismissed from their eating area. All permission forms need to be returned to the music room. Spare copies are available in the office. Rehearsals will commence on Wednesday 8th February.

Senior Singers for students in **Year 3 - 6** is held on **Friday** mornings from 7.45 – 8.40am. The students meet under the Covered Area. Rehearsals have now commenced. Permission forms must be returned to the music room. Spare forms are available in the office.

Creative Generation

If there is any other Year 3 – 6 students who would like to nominate to be part of the massed choir for C Gen please let me know. Nominations close on Friday 10 February. Rehearsals will begin on Thursday mornings in March. Students will be given more information closer to this date.

Please contact me at any time if you have any questions.

Wendy Rose (Music Teacher)

wrose2@eq.edu.au

Community Notices

Piece of jewellery found

After the school clean up last year a piece of jewellery was handed in to the office. If you have lost any jewellery please contact the office.

Wanted- Netball Players

Petrie Pirates Netball Club is a family oriented club catering for ages 8 years to ladies.

Email piratesnetballclub@gmail.com or phone Leisa on 0412 707 475

Sign on and try Rugby night

Friday 10th February 6pm – 7:30pm

Pine Rivers Pumas Rugby Union Club

Les Hughes Sporting Complex

www.pumasrugby.com

For more information or to attend the try rugby session-

Uniform Shop

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Wednesday 8:15am – 9:30am

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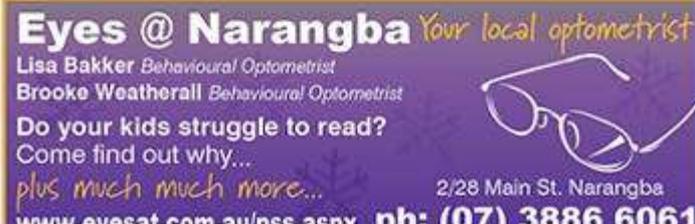


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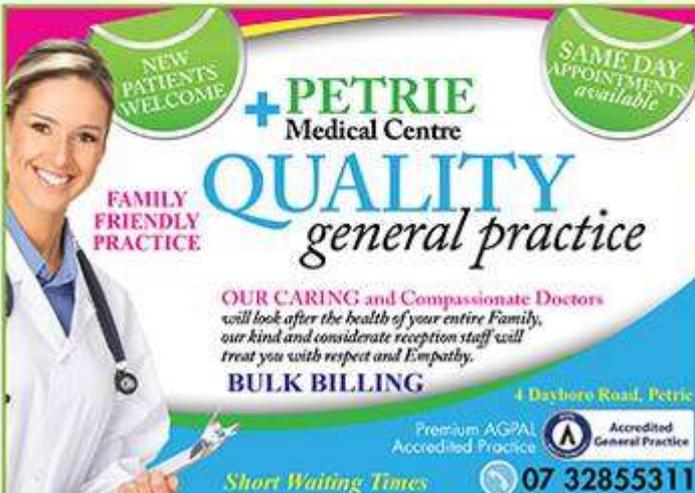
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