



# The Petrie Log

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

## PETRIE LOG - Edition 08/17 – 17<sup>th</sup> May 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

Angela Mollard wrote an article for the daily Telegraph last weekend called Parents get behind teachers. They're losing heart. This article made an impression on me and made me reflect on my teaching career. I put this up on Facebook because I wanted to thank our school community. At Petrie we have a very supportive community and it makes all the difference. Below are parts of the article I shared on our Facebook page.

*"Good teachers don't just teach well they set you up for life.*

*But who wants to be a teacher anymore?*

*Department of Education figures show that the share of university students starting education degrees has dropped to its lowest level in 27 years. Of all fields of study, education has seen the greatest drop off, drawing just 8.3 per cent of starting students in 2015 compared with a high of 17.5 per cent in 1989.*

*We need to stop the nasty quips about their "long holidays" and recognise that they work their guts out; that they care deeply and worry endlessly about the children in their charge.*

*We need to send emails thanking them for their particular skills, effort or insight rather than complaining about small issues.*

*We need to support them as they discipline our children rather than undermine them.*

*Crucially, we need to augment their efforts by supporting our children at home and fostering a respect among them for all teachers. Yes, some educators will be better than others but that's the case in every profession.*

*What's more, we need to raise a generation who see honour and meaning in advancing others, not just themselves.*

*My mum has taught for 45 years. Recently I was with her when she bumped into a former pupil, an autistic boy, who now works at the local swimming pool. Now 21, here he was smiling, employed, and chatting with his colleagues. My mum had taught this boy for seven years, instilling in him skills and self-belief. As we walked past him, he high-fived her. These small, unseen hard-won glories are the crumbs on which our teachers exist. They deserve more." Angela Mollard Daily Telegraph 07/05/17*

Here at Petrie we have great teachers and staff who live and breathe our vision and we have a great community of parents/caregivers who work with us to ensure "We are working together to ensure that every day, in every classroom, every student is learning and achieving."

Thank you to all of our school community.

**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."**

Regards, Angelique

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## Attendance

### Every day counts: Term 1 our attendance was 95.7%

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>

If your child will be away from school for 10 consecutive days or more you will need to apply for an exemption for schooling. Please contact the office if this is the case so the necessary paperwork is completed on time.

#### Attendance Rate



**Student Absence Line: 3285 0360**

This is a 24 hour message service.

**Absence email address**

## From the Deputy Principal

I hope all our special mothers at Petrie had a wonderful Mothers' Day on Sunday. I know many little ones were very excited about the gifts they bought at the Mothers' Day stall. Thank you so much to our dedicated P&C ladies for providing this opportunity for the students at Petrie.



We have begun making appointments for Prep enrolments for 2018, and these enrolments will begin on 12 June. Children born between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013 will be the correct age for Prep in 2018. If you have a child in this age group, please contact the school office to enrol. Important dates for Prep 2018 enrolment are:

Parent Information Evening – Wednesday 7 June, School Library, 6.00 pm

Interviews for enrolment – from 12 June

Prep Open Mornings – 21 and 25 August, 9-10 am

Countdown to Prep program – Term 4

While the start of the 2018 school year is still some time away, it is worth considering some things that would help a child beginning school to be successful.

The following skills are important:

- **Language skills:** communication is used to engage with and teach your child. A child needs to be able to follow instructions and understand what teachers are saying, as well as being able to communicate well with teachers and the other students.
- **Motor co-ordination and skills:** a child needs co-ordination skills to allow them to dress and undress, unwrap lunch, use a pencil and scissors, and participate in other activities that require eye hand and motor co-ordination.
- **Concentration and emotional adjustment:** a child needs to be able to socialise and play with their classmates. They also need to be able to deal with the structured nature of a more formal learning environment, such as being able to focus on tasks, follow directions and instructions from teachers, cope with transitions, and understand the rules.
- **Independence:** a child needs a range of skills so that they can cope with minimum adult supervision. This includes going to the toilet by themselves, dressing, and being able to follow a structured classroom routine.

Some additional focus on these skills at home between now and when school starts next year could give a child a much greater advantage at school.

On Thursday next week, 25 May, we will be celebrating Under 8s Week with a morning of special activities for students in Prep to Year 2. The theme this year is 'Country to Coast - Inspiring learning in the Early Years through play'. Activities will be fun and a celebration of early learning. Parents are invited to come along and enjoy the activities with their child.



Linley Greenland

**Petrie State School**  
**Prep 2018**

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**Key Dates**

- Parent Information Evening**  
Wednesday 7th June  
6:00pm  
in the school library
- Prep Interviews for Enrolment**  
From 12th June
- Open Mornings**  
Monday 21st August and  
Friday 25th August  
9:00am – 10:00am
- Transition Program**  
Wednesdays  
9:00am – 10:00am  
4th October to  
22nd November

*Students eligible for Prep in 2018 are born between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013*

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## From the Business Services Manager

Statements will be sent out this week to all families with outstanding amounts and/or credit balances. If you do not receive a statement then you have no outstanding invoices or a credit balance.

Jody Lawton

Business Services Manager [accounts@petriess.eq.edu.au](mailto:accounts@petriess.eq.edu.au)

### New Cashier Window Opening Hours

Tuesday 8:15am – 9:00am

Thursday 8:15am – 9:00am

Friday 8:15am – 9:00am



Other payment options include:  
BPoint (Visa/Mastercard)  
Direct Credit into School Account

Cash/ Cheque payments can still be placed in the "mail box" at the office on any day.

## Calendar of Events

May	
23	Creative Generation Rehearsals
25	Under 8's Morning
29 – 31	Year 5 Camp to Mapleton
31	ICAS Science
June	
2	Ball Games Tournament
7	Prep Information Evening 2018
8	Junior Athletics Carnival
9	Senior Athletics Carnival
12	Prep Enrolment Interviews commence 2018
12	ICAS Writing
14	ICAS Spelling
16	Gala Day- Years 5 & 6
16	P&C Disco
18 & 19	Creative Generation Rehearsals
19	Mid- year Reports due home
19	Rainbow Day Celebrations
19	P&C General Meeting- 7pm Music Room
23	Last day of Term 2
July	
10	First day of Term 3

### From the Music Department

#### STRING FEST

Our String Ensemble will be performing at Pine Rivers High School next Tuesday evening at 6.30pm. There will be performances from Pine Rivers High, Kurwongbah SS & St Pauls. Students are to meet Ms Cahill & Miss Rose at 5.45pm. Please bring a small plate of food to share for supper. Don't forget to wear your music uniform.



#### INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT

All instrumental students will be performing at our mid-year concert on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June, starting at 6pm in our school hall. Everyone is welcome. More details to come soon.

#### CREATIVE GENERATION



The next massed choir rehearsal for C Gen will be held at Petrie State School on Tuesday 23 May. The hall will be out of bounds to all other students on this day.

Tickets for Creative Generation are now available through Ticketek. [www.ticketek.com.au](http://www.ticketek.com.au)

Friday 14 July 2017 – 1pm & 7pm Shows  
Saturday 15 July 2017 – 1pm & 7pm Shows

Wendy Rose (Music Teacher) [wrose2@eq.edu.au](mailto:wrose2@eq.edu.au)

### From the PE Teacher

Congratulations to Lucas from 6A for getting into the Metropolitan North under 11 Rugby League team. Lucas will be competing in Bundaberg during the school holidays.

Well done Lucas!

**Matt Flannery**



### From the Banking Ladies

A note went home last week about the FREE Financial Literacy Lesson and behind the scenes tour of the Strathpine CBA Branch being held on Tuesday 23 May between 3.30 & 4.00pm. There are still a few spaces available. If you would like to attend please RSVP Angela Marshall (CBA School Banking Specialist) [angela.marshall@cba.com.au](mailto:angela.marshall@cba.com.au) by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. Both Lisa and Nicole will be there and look forward to seeing you!

We have some exciting news. We will be running a Colouring In competition for Prep to Year 2 and a design a brochure competition for Years 3 to 6. The prize for the Colouring In competition is a CBA goodie pack which is on display in the Office. The winner of the best brochure design will receive an iTunes card to the value of \$20. Details will be sent home this week. Entries will be judged by the CBA. The competition closes on Friday 16 June 2017. It is only open to students who bank through the School Banking Program. Please hand completed entries into the School Office. We look forward to seeing all your creativity.

Happy banking and good luck!

Kind regards,  
**Lisa & Nicole**



#### Uniform Shop

#### **Opening Hours**

Monday 2:30pm – 3:30pm  
Wednesday 8:15am – 9:30am

#### Thursday Assembly Times

2:00pm Senior Years 3/4/5/6  
2:30pm Junior Years Prep/1/2



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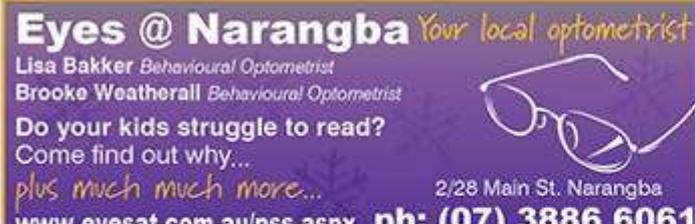
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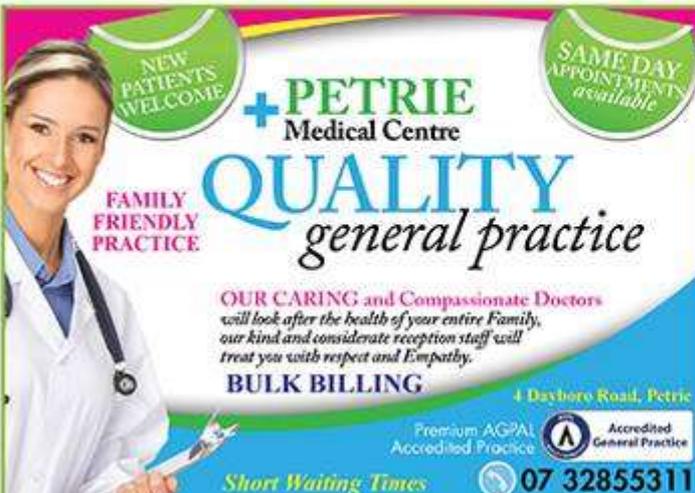
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