From the Principal

Welcome

The last two weeks have certainly been eventful! With everything that has occurred we could all be forgiven for not realizing that we have already passed the half-way point of Term 1. It is important therefore to remind everyone of the importance of ensuring your child is attending every day in the upcoming weeks, particularly as we begin to lead into our assessment items.

It can be hard to break the mindset that assessment is equivalent to ‘tests’ and sometimes the negative connotations that associate with it. However, I encourage everyone to talk to their children about how assessment is an opportunity to show off what they have learnt so far!

Principal Conference

Last Thursday and Friday I had the opportunity to attend the bi-annual Principals Conference held in Brisbane. It was fantastic to see and hear from so many school leaders and educational researchers from not only our state and nation, but international speakers as well. The theme for the conference was encompassed by the motto: Collaborate, Innovate and Elevate. I’m sure you would agree that all three are vital to achieve student success and improvement.

Attendance

We can’t help the weather! I hope everyone and their families are safe and well after Cyclone Marcia. With a weather event as large as the one that occurred it was anticipated that some of our students would not be able to attend school. Although the school and the state does have a priority on attendance, the safety of your family comes first! In our small community in particular, please remember, ‘if it’s flooded, Forget it!’

We do however have a lot of events coming up in the next few weeks. We have touch, rugby league, netball and cross country all occurring this term. Please ensure that students are at school as often as possible. Every Day Counts.

Currently, our attendance has dropped to 92.1%, let’s get it back up to our target of 95%.
Minions of the Week

The Minion of the Week award is earned by a student that demonstrates one of our five keys to success. Last week it was awarded to Carter Wight, for his enthusiasm with his writing. Our second Minion of the Week was awarded to Miranda Luck, for her confident approach to new work and in particular her feature article. A big congratulations to both of you!

Bronco Visit

Lastly, we were very fortunate to have a surprise visit from two players from the Brisbane Broncos. The players spoke with students about the importance of staying healthy, including drinking lots of water. Students were given a bag of goodies including water bottles, football cards, pencils, stickers and wrist bands. Thank you Brisbane Broncos!

Regards,

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Acting Principal