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## Associate Principal's Column

The start of any new school year is never slow for anyone in the school community and 2016 is no different. However, we are very pleased with the smooth beginning that we have had at Caningeraba and are very excited about the year ahead.

### Meet the Teacher

On Tuesday afternoon you had the opportunity to meet with your child's/children's teacher in our meet the teacher afternoons. We do this early in the year to set up that very important first line of communication. The link between home and school is vital in ensuring the success of your child's experience at school. We encourage you to keep in contact with the school about your child's education and use the communications channels open to you.

Hopefully you have already downloaded the Qschools App and are considering being a Kookaburra for your child's class or have filled out the communication details for the Kookaburra to contact you. Remember you are also encouraged to contact your child's teacher directly. If you need to spend an extended time discussing your child, remember to make an appointment so that the teacher can ensure they have adequate time available for you.

### Caningeraba is a Kidsmatter school: What does that mean?

You would have also heard about our school being a Kidsmatter school in meet the teacher. Many of you in our school community would know what that means but we have lots of new families this year who may still be wondering what this all really means.

KidsMatter Primary is a mental health and wellbeing framework for primary schools and is proven to make a positive difference to the lives of Australian children. KidsMatter Primary provides the methods, tools and support to help schools work with parents and carers, health services and the wider community, to nurture happy, balanced kids.

Our Motto for Kidsmatter is in line with our school vision 'growing happy, confident, healthy children at Caningeraba'. It is about building strong relationships where we all work productively together to grow our children to be the very best they can be. We know that children learn best when they feel comfortable in their school environment and when families and school staff work together and take the time to get to know each other.

Caningeraba State School is continuing to build strong links with the school community. We have afternoon tea sessions, parent support courses, term meetings and community connect meetings.

If you would like to know more about KidsMatter go to our website and have a look at what we have been doing. You will find some really interesting information and we welcome you to become more involved. You will see our afternoon sessions promoted in the newsletters, Qschool app and on the P&C Facebook page.

### School Leader Investiture

On Tuesday morning our new school leaders were presented with their badges. We have 30 students who are now proudly wearing badges for a variety of roles including school captain, vice-captain, student council president, Caningeraba leader, music captain and house captains. It was the first big event for them in 2016 and they were very impressive.

We see all our Year 6 students as leaders and they are certainly proving to be great role models. In this ceremony all our Year

6s make a pledge and it is very powerful. They promise to make the most of all the opportunities presented to them and they understand they all share the important role of guiding and supporting our younger students. They also pledge to make the most of their individual talents this year and to look for ways to contribute positively to our school community as well as the wider world. We believe they can make a difference and we are looking forward to seeing that in 2016.

### Attendance is important – every day counts!

With the beginning of the school year, it is often a great time to set some goals in place with your children around attendance, especially if you have had a number of absences throughout 2015. I was speaking to some students in Year 6 this week who said their goal in Term 1 was not to be away from school at all this first term and to achieve 100% attendance. Obviously if these students are not well they will stay away from school but apart from being sick they are aiming to be here at Caningeraba every day.

Parents and caregivers must send children to school every school day under Queensland law unless there is an acceptable reason such as:

- illness
- doing work experience
- competing in school sporting events.

If your child is going to be absent from school, you must let the school know why the absence has occurred within two school days of their return. If possible, it is best to advise the school beforehand.

Avoid keeping your child away from school for reasons such as:

- birthdays
- shopping
- visiting family and friends
- if they sleep in
- looking after other children
- minor check-ups or care, such as haircuts.

Routine medical or other health appointments should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

Establishing good routines around school can assist with regular school attendance. These include:

- have a set time to go to bed
- have a set time to get out of bed
- have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
- set a time for daily homework activities
- speak about school positively
- send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term, from Prep onwards.

If you are experiencing difficulty in sending your child to school, contact your teacher for support. We can work together to

ensure that your child is engaged in school and is on the way to being a happy, healthy and confident 21st century learner.

**Maria Mott, Associate Principal Years 5 & 6**

## Term One Interschool Chess Tournament

The first round of the Gold Coast South Primary Interschool Chess Tournament will be held on Wednesday 9 March at William Duncan State School Hall. Whilst this event is open to players of all abilities from beginners to A Grade, your child will need to have some experience of the game if they are to enter. There will be a teacher from our school at the event to supervise but parents will be responsible for transporting their child to and from the tournament.

If you would like your child to participate, please collect a permission note from the front office in the administration building and return it with the money to the payments window by 10:30am Wednesday 2 March. The cost is \$18 per student.

**Renea Christy, G&T Teacher**

## Music Department Timetable

### From The Music Department

Firstly, we welcome our new multi-instrumental teacher, Ms Kathleen Winter, to the Caningeraba team. It isn't easy to work your way through all the rolls, lists, instruments, routines and administrative duties for such a large program but she's managed these tasks with a smile at all times. Admirable.

As usual, the first weeks are very busy for all (teachers and students) in the music block. In music lessons and on assemblies our students have been informed of all the options open to them, should they be inclined to be involved in extra-curricular activities, under the performing arts umbrella.

Please note - Strings Lessons begin in grade 3 - Instrumental Lessons begin in grade 4 - Junior Choir is grades 1-3 and Senior Choir is grades 4 - 6 - all other groups (recorder, guitar, drumbeat) are open to all.

### Weekly Timetable:

DAY	TIME	GROUP	WHERE	TEACHER
Monday	8:00-8:40am	Snr Recorder Ensemble	Music Room	Ms Janet
	1:40-2:10pm	Senior Choir Yrs 4-6	Music Room	Ella Duncombe
Tuesday	7:50-8:50am	String Ensemble	Music Block	Stacey Bolton
	8:00-8:40am	Beginner Recorder	Science Lab	Ms James
	11:00-11:20am	Drumbeat	Music Room	Mr Hines
Wednesday	7:50-8:50am	Yr 5 Band	Music Room	Kathleen Winter & Ms James
	8:00-8:40am	Junior Recorder	Science Lab	Ms Janet

DAY	TIME	GROUP	WHERE	TEACHER
Thursday	7:50-8:50am	Yr 6 Band	Music Room	Kathleen Winter & Ms James
	12:30-1:30pm	Jazz Band	Music Room	Kathleen Winter
	1:40-2:10pm	10 wk Beginner Guitar Course	Music Room	Ms James
Friday	7:50-8:50am	Yr 3 Band	Music Room	Kathleen Winter & Ms James
	11:00-11:20am	Drumbeat	Music Room	Mr Hines
	1:40-2:10pm	Junior Choir Yrs 1-3	Music Room	Ms James

## Dental Van Update

The dental van will be moving on to another school on 29 February 2016. There is still time for parents to make appointments before this date by phoning 1300 300 850.

## Library Borrowing

Library borrowing will commence this week and all students are required to have a library bag.

## Helping Hands Caningeraba

It has been a very exciting start to term one at Caningeraba. I would like to welcome all the new families to the service. We can't wait to further build our relationship with you. At afterschool care this term we have started up our clubs again and on Monday with Miss Chantelle we have dance. All the children who are involved will give us a show at the end of the term. On Tuesday Miss Cathy is continuing on with the nature club and working towards creating our new garden area located near the science and library room. On Wednesdays we are doing cooking club with Miss Cassie. All the children are really excited about cooking items from different parts of the world. On Thursdays Miss Chelsea will be having craft club and the children will be starting off with knitting. Also this term in week 4 we have our extended learning program, cool cricket, starting on Tuesday the 16 February at 3:30pm. Through the 5 week program the children will have the opportunity to learn all the skills and knowledge of cricket and also at the end enjoy a few fun games of cricket. Please book in quickly as places are filling up.

**Thankyou**

**Kirsty Gascoyne, Helping Hands Co-ordinator**

## School Banking News

For those interested in signing up for school banking, you can either go to your nearest Commonwealth Bank and open an account or we will be having a sign-up day at school on Thursday March 10 before school in the tuckshop undercover

area. All bankers will receive an information envelope this week. These envelopes have been opened to remove information relevant to our current banking systems as we no longer issue tokens.

Congratulations to our class of the week – 5S

### School Banking Volunteers

## Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who have received a student award at their assembly.

6G	Demi & Logan	4G	Oceana & Ryder
4P	Sarah & Raoni	3G	Joel

## Diary Dates

### REMINDERS:

1. Student Resource Scheme payments are due now.
2. Instrumental Music fees are due now.
3. Yr 6 Canberra payment of \$200.00 due by 10:30am Friday 19 February.
4. Yr 6 Day Camp payment of \$65.00 due by 10:30am Friday 19 February.
5. Yr 3 Jacobs Well payment of \$27.00 due by 10:30am Monday 29 February.
6. Yr 5 Raw Art payment of \$8.00 due by 10:30am Monday 29 February.
7. Please phone our hotline on 5568 6388 for ALL up to date information on excursions, interschool sport draws, athletics and cancellations due to weather.

Date	Year Level	Activity
Thursday 18 February	Selected	District Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 1 March	3B/O	Jacobs Well
Tuesday 1 March	Yr 5	Raw Art
Friday 4 March	Yrs 5 & 6	Interschool Sports Muster
Monday 7 March	3P/M	Jacobs Well
Tuesday 8 March	3G/S	Jacobs Well
Wednesday 9 March	Various	Regional Chess Tournament
Friday 11 March	Yrs 5 & 6	Interschool Sports Trials
Thursday 17 March	Yr 2	Raw Art
Friday 18 March	Yrs 5 & 6	Interschool Sports Trials
Wednesday 23 March	All	Colour Run

Date	Year Level	Activity
Thursday 24 March	Prep	Easter Concert 12:00pm
Thursday 24 March	Yr 1	Easter Concert 9:30am
25 March – 8 April	All	Easter Vacation
Monday 11 April	All	School resumes Term 2

## Snack Shack Roster

Date	Names
Monday 15 February	Milly
Tuesday 16 February	Susana
Wednesday 17 February	Carolyn, Esther & Donna
Thursday 18 February	Tabitha & Rebel
Friday 19 February	Maureen & Rikki-Lee

***Katrina and Michelle, Tuckshop Convenors***

## Community Notices

### Cross Country Program

Queensland Running's 2016 Cross Country season commences on Saturday 5 March at Teralba Park, Mitchelton. The runs are conducted at various parks in and around Brisbane. It is a great family afternoon where mums and dads can run with their children. For further information visit [www.queenslandrunning.com.au](http://www.queenslandrunning.com.au) or call 0418 113 377.

## Visit Our Website

We encourage our parents, carers and family members to visit our website, to see ongoing class activities.  
[www.caningerss.eq.edu.au](http://www.caningerss.eq.edu.au)

***Sheryll Eades, Website Coordinator***