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Head of Curriculum's Column

Caningeraba truly is a **community** committed to educating happy, healthy confident 21st century learners' and it is the community we need to thank for the 490 small whiteboards which were delivered last week. These whiteboards, and pens, were 'bought' by the community with the Woolworths 'earn & learn' stickers which were collected last year. During the staff meeting last Thursday the teaching staff were overwhelmingly enthusiastic about the opportunity to use these resources. Individual whiteboards are extremely effective when used to share students' thinking. They are currently being packaged ready to be distributed as whole class sets which will be shared between two classroom teachers. A very big 'THANK YOU' to every one of you who collected the 'earn & learn' stickers last year and to the P & C for processing them for us.

It has been a week of exciting new resources with several hundred home readers also being delivered this week. There has been a very clear shift towards students reading more complex texts earlier and our home reading resources were being stretched to the limits. Consequently, Mrs Heiser and I researched the texts which are currently on the market and then spent a very enjoyable session rediscovering old favourites and discovering new ones. We were able to secure a great blend of information texts and narratives in the packs we ordered and were quite envious of the parents who will get to share some of the beautiful illustrations with our developing readers.

Obviously the investment in these resources is significant, both in terms of the time spent choosing, processing and covering them and of the several thousand dollars which they cost. The love of reading which you instil in your child comes down to not only the text but to the care with which they treat the book itself. In my home I have a bookshelf crammed with

precious books given to me by a favourite uncle when I was a child. There is also space on the shelves for the books which show my own children's reading adventures from 'Spot' and 'Dear Zoo' as toddlers through to 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe', 'Specky McGee' and 'Harry Potter'. Similarly, in our school we have bookshelves crammed with exciting old and new texts which our students share. There is nothing more exciting than seeing our students laughing over a book together or discussing new information. Conversely it is distressing when a precious book which has sat under a leaking water bottle for a weekend is damaged beyond repair. Please support your child to make sure that home reading books and library books are stored in plastic sleeves, waterproof bags or folders away from water bottles and food.

*'There are many little ways to enlarge your child's world.
Love of books is the best of all.'*

Jaqueline Kennedy

**Helen Davidson,
Head of Curriculum**

Completion of Oral Health Services

Gold Coast Oral Health Services have completed dental check-ups and treatment for eligible children at this school.

If you have not arranged for your child to receive a free dental check-up please telephone the Oral Health Client Service Centre on **1300 300 850**

Monday – Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm Excluding Public Holidays

Don't wait to treat a problem, arrange a check-up for your child at least once a year.

- Eligibility – All Queensland resident children aged four years or older who have not completed year 10 of secondary school.

Great state. Great opportunity.



Further information on public funded oral health services can be accessed via the link below:

<http://www.health.qld.gov.au/goldcoasthealth/html/services/oralhealth.asp>

Uniform / Bookshop News

On Monday 29 February, all back-orders were delivered to students via teachers. If any items remain outstanding, please contact the Uniform/Stationery shop to discuss on 5568 6356 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday morning between 8am – 10am.

Dione Skelton
Uniform/Bookshop Convenor

P&C Update

Caningeraba State School welcomes participation from all parents and caregivers of the school in the school's Parents and Citizens Association. Together we aim to create a caring and connected school community where students are provided the best opportunity for the future.

The P&C are involved in a range of school undertakings including running the Tuckshop and Uniform & Stationery Shop, fundraising activities, support of school functions as well as policy and financial planning.

Our goal is to support the school in providing an environment for our children to learn and grow, by:

- **Providing** a forum where parents, teachers and community members can give and receive feedback about our school and have a say on issues relating to school events and policies.
- **Identifying** opportunities and projects that will benefit the school community.
- **Coordinating** volunteers to carry out fundraising and other initiatives.
- **Supporting** the will of the school to offer the best education possible to our children
- **Advocating for and representing** the school in our community.
- **Working in cooperation** with the teachers, students, parents and wider local community.
- **Fostering** an honest and open partnership between the school and families.
- **Promoting** the resources available at our school that have been made possible through parent contribution, involvement and commitment (Electronic white-boards, iPads, Wi-Fi, air-conditioning, Musical Instruments, Electronic Sign etc).

How to get involved?

P&C meetings are held the fourth Monday of every month in the library starting at 6:30pm (doors open at 6). Coffee and tea are provided and light refreshments are often bought along by

members to share. Why not come along and see what it's all about.

DATE CLAIMER: Annual General Meeting?- Monday 21 March 2016

The Caningeraba State School P&C will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Monday 21 March 2016, at 6.30pm in the Resource Centre. (**Note: the regular monthly meeting on this occasion will be held at the earlier time of 6pm.**)

At the AGM all Executive Committee and working party positions are declared vacant and elected or re-elected.

Nominations are called for the following voluntary Executive Committee positions;

- **President**
- **Vice President**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**

Information about the responsibilities and key activities of each Executive Committee position are available in the Quick Guide for P&C Executives produced by P&Cs Qld, the peak parent body which represents the interests of state school parents and citizens associations throughout Queensland. Further information is also available on the P&Cs Qld website (www.pandcsqld.com.au).

We are also seeking nominations from anyone interested in participating in the **Fundraising Working Party** and wish to elect a Fundraising Working Party Coordinator and Working Party members to support the fundraising activities of the association. A P&Cs Qld representative will also be elected on the evening.

If you would like to nominate for a position but can't make it to the AGM, that's okay! Nominees need to put their nomination in writing stating the position/s they are interested in and sign the nomination. Their nomination must be moved and seconded at the AGM.

Nominees are also to complete and submit a membership form to the meeting (without this they will not be a member and not eligible to stand for election).

How is the election conducted?

If there is only one nomination for the position they are duly appointed if the majority of members present at the AGM support the appointment.

If more than one nomination then a secret ballot is held.

The meeting should appoint persons not standing for positions to act as the returning officer.

The AGM is the only meeting at which individuals can become members without attending a previous meeting or by submitting a membership form without attending the meeting. The call for membership is prior to the election process.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else for these elections, please return completed nomination forms to the School Office, preferably in a sealed envelope attention to

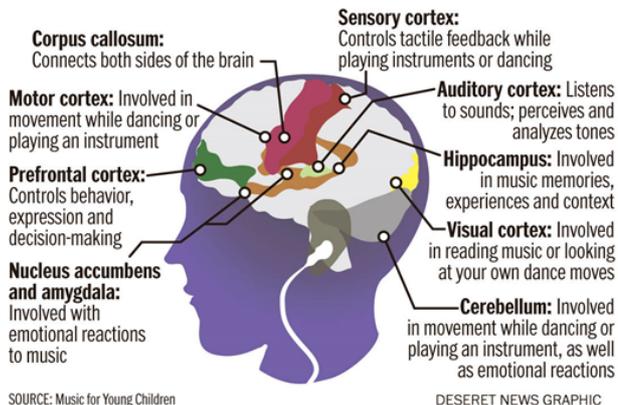
Marsha Graham, P&C President. Forms can also be scanned and emailed to president@caningeraba.org.au.

Nominations will be accepted until Friday 18 March at 3pm, and at the AGM.

Marsha Graham
P&C President

Music Advocacy

Music and the brain Playing and listening to music works several areas of the brain



Music Class of the Week

CLASS	ACHIEVEMENT
Prep Silver	great listening and following directions
1P	every student listening intently at all times
2O	making an impressive effort adding barlines to a new song (in 3/4 time too)
3S	100% of students having their recorders
4B	displaying enthusiasm and engaging in all aspects of the music lesson
5S	great effort playing in a canon on recorders
6G	improved focus and great note naming in the Musical

Whooping Cough Alert

The Gold Coast Public Health Unit has recently been advised of 2 confirmed cases of whooping cough in Year 2 at Caningeraba State School.

Whooping cough is a highly contagious respiratory infection that can be life threatening for babies and young children. Symptoms can range in severity from quite mild to coughing fits which often end with a gag or a vomit. Whooping cough usually starts with symptoms typical of a head cold with a runny nose, sneezing and tiredness and then the cough develops.

Please see attachments for further alert information and fact sheet.

Colour Run 2016

The hugely popular Colour Run will be held again on Wednesday 23 March as the **Major School Fundraiser for 2016**. There'll be great individual and class group prizes up for grabs and much fun to be had.

This week information about the event, including Entry Forms, Permission Forms and a Sponsorship Sheet will be going home with students. Please look out for them. The brightly coloured sheet in the pack is the Sponsorship Form. Money raised from this event will help transform our Hall into a multi-purpose community space.

Thanks so far to our amazing sponsors:

- PM9 Events and Activations
- No Limit Automotive - your personal mobile mechanic
- Inflatable World
- LJ Hooker Burleigh Heads
- The Event Crew
- Queen Fine Foods
- Michael Hart MP
- City of Gold Coast
- 102.9 Hot Tomato

Volunteer Rosters will be released next week. It'll be first in best dressed to be a Colour Technician. Please be advised that only those who pre-register to be a Colour Technician will be given a colour sprayer on the day. Don't miss out on all the fun and colourful action - follow our event on Facebook for updates as they come to hand:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/471355506399777/>

If you own a small business and would like to donate a prize for the event please email president@caningeraba.org.au

***Yours in colour,
Marsha Graham, for the P&C Association***

School Banking News

Congratulations to 3M for receiving this week's classroom award in the school banking program.

Please note – although the school banking team uses the Uniform / Stationery shop on Tuesdays, we do not have access to any shop supplies or pre-ordered items. We only deal with school banking.

Then Uniform /. Stationery shop is open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 8am – 10am.

School Banking Volunteers

Student of the Week

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

6G	Trey	6O	Cleo
5B	Evie	4M	Jack
4P	Jake	3G	Mia
3O	Reave & Lena	1M	Maia
PS	Max	PW	Micah

Diary Dates

REMINDERS:

1. Student Resource Scheme payments are due now.
2. Instrumental Music fees are due now.
3. G&T Somerset Literature Festival payment of \$4.00 due by Monday 7 March.
4. Yr 5 Camp deposit of \$100.00 due by 10:30am Wednesday 9 March.
5. Yr 2 Raw Art payment of \$8.00 due by 10:30am Wednesday 16 March.
6. Yr 6 Canberra March payment of \$200.00 due by 10:30am Friday 18 March.
7. Yr 6 Day Camp March payment of \$50.00 due by 10:30am Friday 18 March.
8. Yrs 5 & 6 Winter Sport payment of \$40 or \$60 due by 10:30am Friday 18 March.
9. 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
Friday 4 March	Yrs 5 & 6	Interschool Sports Muster
Monday 7 March	3P/M	Jacobs Well
Tuesday 8 March	3G/S	Jacobs Well
Tuesday 8 March	Yr 6	Miami SHS 2017 Enrolment Information Evening
Wednesday 9 March	Various	Regional Chess Tournament William Duncan SS
Friday 11 March	Yrs 5 & 6	Winter Interschool Sports Trials
Friday 11 March	Selected	Somerset Literature Festival
Thursday 17 March	Yr 2	Raw Art
Friday 18 March	Yrs 5 & 6	Winter Interschool Sports Trials

Date	Year Level	Activity
Wednesday 23 March	All	Colour Run
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

Please be advised that First break is the MAIN lunch break.

Separate order bags are required for First and Second break.

Date	Names
Monday 7 March	Milly
Tuesday 8 March	Susana
Wednesday 9 March	Carolyn & Donna
Thursday 10 March	Tabitha & Carolyn
Friday 11 March	Maureen & Rikki-Lee

Katrina and Michelle
Tuckshop Convenors

Community Notices

Keeping Connected with your Teens – Information evening for parents with teens

Miami High welcomes a special guest Simon Santosha from Men and Family Counselling. Simon comes with many years of experience in private counselling, leading workshops and group presentations. Through his work he has engaged with students of all ages and their families to ensure the development of positive healthy relationships – the transition from childhood to adolescence; changes that occur in the adolescent brain; how to maintain effective communication; navigating gender stereotypes and peer group pressure. When – Thursday 10 March; Time – 6:30pm until 8pm; Where – Miami SHS Great Hall; RSVP – 9 March to front office 5554 0333; Email – admin@miamishs.eq.edu.au

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

Sheryll Eades
Website Coordinator