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Associate Principal's Column

Positive Student Behaviour at Caningeraba

I feel that as a school community we can be very proud of the behaviour and attitude displayed by the overwhelming majority of our students. This positive behaviour contributes greatly to the excellent reputation our school has built up over the years.

Without fail, people who visit our school to work with students comment very favourably about the children. Relief teachers who fill in for our staff when they are absent always let me know they are keen to come back to our school, and I often hear them comment on how cooperative and well-mannered our students are. These sentiments were also echoed by the senior departmental officers who visited Caningeraba last term to conduct the formal school review.

Students' families, our staff and of course the students themselves can be very proud of their efforts.

Concerns About Children Playing Inappropriate Video Games at Home

It may come as a surprise to many people, but, more and more, school staff are discovering that some younger students who are experiencing behavioural or social difficulties at school are being regularly exposed to adult-themed video games in their homes. The video games that these children are playing, or are watching others play, are rated 'M', 'MA' or even 'R', and it seems that while some parents are not closely monitoring what their children are playing, and are surprised to find out the nature of the content of such games, other parents are fully aware of what their children are doing.

Young children can be easily influenced by what they see and hear, and they are often not fully able to distinguish between fantasy and reality. It is therefore very concerning to find that children of primary school age are being allowed to play games that are obviously designed for mature players. These children are liable to experience serious social and behavioural issues at school when they try to imitate the actions and language of the characters they see in these video games. Also, some scientific studies have found that if children play these games frequently and for long periods of time, they may experience problems in focusing their attention during lessons at school, and their academic achievements can also be significantly affected.

All video games have been rated according to their suitability for different age groups, and parents/carers would be well advised to adhere to these rating recommendations if they want to do the right thing by their children. It can be difficult sometimes when children argue that their friends are allowed to play certain games, but part of parenting is being firm with children when appropriate, as children are not always aware of what is best for them. As both a teacher and parent for many years, I have found that children are happiest in their lives, and learn to interact with others appropriately, when they are engaged in activities aimed at their own age levels.

Murray Leak, Associate Principal Year 3 & 4

Report Cards Will Now Be Emailed

To align Caningeraba State School with current practice in other Queensland schools, from this semester, student report cards will be emailed to families.

This week a letter was sent home with your child, for you to check your email details. Please ensure if your email address has changed to record the new details and return the form to the office by Friday 2 June 2017.

Term Two Interschool Chess Tournament

The second round of the Gold Coast South Primary Interschool Chess Tournament will be held on **Wednesday 31 May at Kings College from 9am – 2:30pm**. 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 desk in the administration building and return it with the money to the payments window by Monday 29 May 10:30am.

Mrs Renea Christy, Enrichment Coordinator

Winters Sports Draw Friday 26 May

OZTAG (all games @ Marymount College)

TEAM	OPPONENT	TIME	FIELD NO.
5A	Varsity	12:45	4
6A	Marymount	1:35	10
6B	Robina	12:45	11

BOYS SOCCER

TEAM	OPPONENT	TIME	VENUE
6A	St Bridgets	1:35	Robina Common No. 2
6B	BYE	-	-
5A	St Vincents	1:35	St Vincents School No. 1
5B	St Bridgets	12:40	Robina Common No. 2

GIRLS SOCCER

TEAM	OPPONENT	TIME	VENUE
6A	St Bridgets	12:40	Robina Common No. 2
5A	St Vincents	12:40	St Vincents School No. 1

RUGBY LEAGUE

TEAM	OPPONENT	TIME	VENUE
6A	BYE	-	-
5A	BYE	-	-

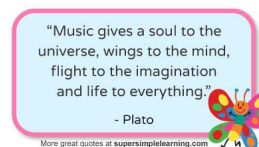
NETBALL (all games @ Firth Park, Mudgeeraba)

TEAM	OPPONENT	TIME	COURT NO.
6A	BYE	-	-
6B	BYE	-	-
5A	BYE	-	-
5B	Mudgeeraba	1:20	11
5C	Varsity	1:50	11

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TEAM	OPPONENT	TIME	VENUE
6A	Marymount	1:30	Salk Oval No. 1
5A	Marymount	12:40	Salk Oval No. 1

Music Class of the Week



Awarded to...	For...
PR	Singing their roll so beautifully
1B	Beautiful behaviour
2O	Wonderful concentration and positive attitudes
3O	Everyone achieving their white belts on recorder
4P	Excellent focus and playing "Hoedown" completely
5M	Fantastic improvement in note naming
6B	Great improvement in musical minute

Library News

As our Book Fair finished on Wednesday, we just wanted to extend a huge thank you to all our families for your continued support, it really is appreciated.

School Banking News

Congratulations to classes 1O, 4P & 6B for being our banking classes of the week. You can open a new youthsaver account either at the bank or online at the link below. Your child can benefit from saving and earning great prizes.

<http://www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking>

Congratulations to the following students who have made 10 deposits and received a Bronze Certificate:

5/6W	Mia	5P	Beau
6G	Bradley	3G	Lachlan
2M	Dhali	2W	Thomas
2O	Ploynapat	1G	Jagger
1M	Evie	PW	Sienna
6G	Scarlette	PR	Maya
PW	Lola	1M	Ella
PR	Nash	PG	Hunter

Diary Dates

Please phone our Events Line on 5568 6388 for ALL up to date information on excursions, interschool sport draws, athletics and cancellations due to weather.

- Student Resource Scheme payments for 2017 are payable now.
- Year 6 Raw Art payment of \$8.00 by 10:30am Monday 29 May.
- Term 2 Chess payment of \$19.00 due by 10:30am Monday 29 May.
- Year 5 Lightning Carnival payment of \$6.50 due by 10:30am Wednesday 31 May.

Friday 26 May	Yr 5&6	Interschool Sport
Tuesday 30 May	Yr 6	Raw Art
Thursday 1 June	Yr 5	Lightning Carnival
Friday 2 June	Yr 5&6	Interschool Sport
Monday 5 June	Yr 2&3	Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 6 June	Prep	Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 6 June	Selected	Regional Cross Country
Wednesday 7 June	Yr 1	Athletics Carnival
Friday 9 June	Yr 5&6	Interschool Sport
Mon 12 & Tues 13 June	Yrs 4-6	Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 14 June	Yr 6	Canberra Information Night 6pm in the Library
Thursday 15 June	Various	Winter Concert 5pm in the hall

Friday 16 June	Yr 5&6	Final Round Interschool Sport
Mon 19 - Fri 23 June	Various	Talent Quest
Thursday 22 June	All	P&C Disco

Student of the Week

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

6B	Lachlan	6G	Isabella
6O	Sami	5S	Liam
4M	Damien	4P	Vaughn & Noah
3S	Shanae & Grace	1O	Ethan
PW	Bella		

Snack Shack Roster

Date	Names
Monday 29 May	Bola
Tuesday 30 May	Susana
Wednesday 31 May	Carolyn
Thursday 1 June	Carolyn, Chaille
Friday 2 June	Michelle, Helen, Shelley

Katrina and Michelle, Tuckshop Convenors

Community Notices

Grandparents' Luncheon

Come along and enjoy a complimentary lunch and refreshments and make connections. Monday 29 May, 10am – 12:30pm at the Burleigh Waters Community Centre – 131 Christine Ave. Please see attached flyer

Visit Our Website

We encourage our parents, carers and family members to visit our website, to see ongoing class activities.

<http://www.caningerss.eq.edu.au>

**Sheryll Eades,
Website Coordinator**