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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Please be advised that the Gold Coast Show holiday is **Friday 29 August 2014**. Ormeau State School will be closed on that day.

ENROLMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN – NEW for Ormeau State School in 2015

Ormeau State School recognises as its prime obligation, the provision of access to an appropriate educational service for students whose principal place of residence is within the school's catchment area.

Because of enrolment capacity and growth Ormeau State School may be unable to meet this obligation in the future, unless action is taken now to manage enrolments. The Principal must restrict enrolment of out-of-catchment students to ensure in-catchment students can enrol at their local state school, without requiring additional facilities.

From 2015 Ormeau State School will have an Enrolment Management Plan. Our School's Enrolment Management Plan (School EMP) sets out the conditions under which students may be enrolled into Ormeau State School subject to any other requirements or limitations in:

- the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006

This School EMP is supported by:

- Enrolment in State Primary, Secondary and Special Schools procedure
- School Enrolment Management Plans (School EMP) procedure

Local Catchment Area

A school's local catchment area is the geographical area from which the school is to have its core intake of students. A catchment map defines the catchment area for Ormeau State School.

This school operates under an equidistant catchment area.

This school operates under a negotiated catchment area.

The school's catchment map is available to be viewed at either the school's administration office or online at <http://www.qgso.qld.gov.au/maps/edmap/>.

School Opinion Survey - extension

The School Opinion Survey (SOS) was due to close on 3 August 2014, however responses will continue to be accepted until the end of this week, **Friday 8 August**.

This extension is to enable schools to maximise their parent/caregiver and staff responses and any outstanding student surveys.

New Primary School Pimpama opening 2015

The Coomera/Pimpama area is growing rapidly as many new housing estates are built. To account for such growth a new Primary school is currently under construction on the corner of Dixon Drive and Cunningham Drive in Pimpama on the Eastern side of the M1. This school is situated across the road from Pimpama State Secondary College on Dixon Drive Pimpama.

The new school will open with an Enrolment Management Plan and is therefore governed by a catchment boundary. For information on the boundary inclusions please visit the Education Queensland Website <http://education.qld.gov.au/> click on Directories Tab and then use the link titles "School Catchment Maps". From there you can enter your address to determine the correct catchment for you.

Mrs Donna Gosling has been appointed Principal of this new school and looks forward to meeting many new families at the **first Community Forum to be held at Pimpama State Secondary College on Thursday 7th August at 5.30pm**. Following this first forum Mrs Gosling will be looking for volunteers to start discussing possible school names, colours, uniform inclusions to maximise lead up time to opening in January 2015. I look forward to your involvement on this exciting journey.

For information - dgosl1@eq.edu.au

Junior Parade

Last week some of our School Captains presented some skits on Junior Parade about Using Manners.



Asking and using please Raising our hand in class

Kind regards
Heather Andrew

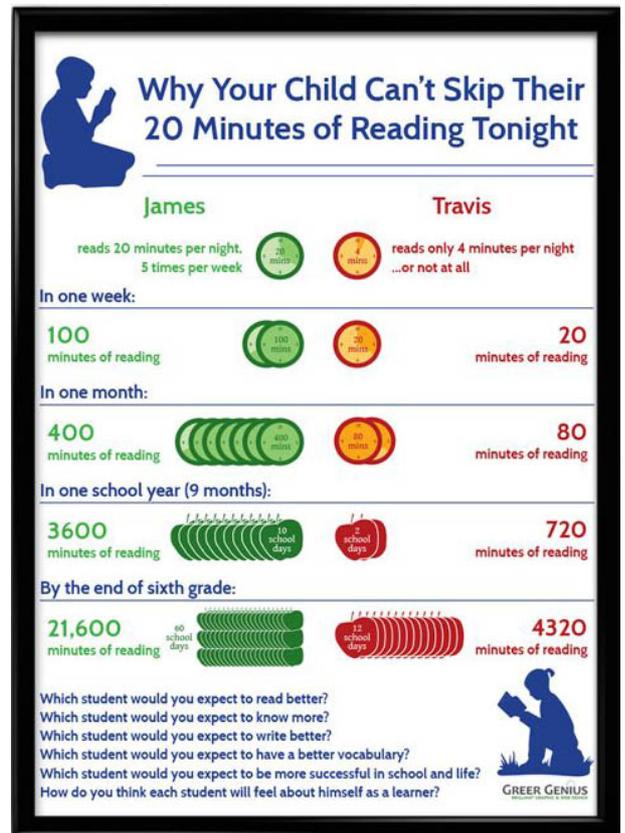
FROM THE DEPUTIES' DESK

It is hard to believe that we are now nearly in the middle of Term 3. Already this term we have had some wonderful events and results coming from our school students. Mr Creighton was lucky enough to attend our recent Beenleigh district athletics carnival and he was extremely proud of our students, not only in respect to their performances, but also their behaviour and sportsmanship. Well done to all.

A special mention must also go to our choir and strings performers. They represented our school with distinction at the recent Beenleigh eisteddfod and again had some amazing results. Congratulations to all involved, teachers included.

The weather will be heating up in the next few weeks, so a timely reminder about hats. Ormeau State School is a uniform school and students need to be wearing school hats only. We have had a few incidents of student not wearing the correct hat recently, so if you could check your child's hat and make sure they are bringing the right one to school, that would be great.

We quite often have parents asking us how to improve a student's reading ability. Reading is not a simple skill to teach and it can take time. However; we came across the following picture in our recent studies and found it interesting. Please take the time to read it and see if you agree.



Special Message from Mr Creighton: It has been my privilege to be the Deputy Principal of such an amazing school. We truly are lucky to have such a wonderful community and, of course, teachers. Let's keep working together for the betterment of all the students.

Kind regards and happy reading,

Brendan Creighton and Jane Tuckett
Deputy Principals
Ormeau State School

PREP NEWS

Hello Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to term 3. The children have settled back into a new term of learning, full of new and fun things. On Thursday the students enjoyed a fun filled, song and dance pirate show. They all looked great in their pirate costumes and many an 'ahoy' or 'ARRRRRRRRRR!!' could be heard.

This term in History the children will be extending their knowledge of their family and looking at past events that are significant to them and the family. In science we are looking at the weather and how it affects our daily lives.

Rhyming is the main focus in Literacy this term which enables the students to recognise rhyming in a verse and story, write their own rhyming verse along with orally presenting a rhyme. We are sure you are hearing many a rhyme being recited at home.

If you can volunteer to help at any time in your child's class with small groups or one-on-one work please see your class teacher.

Reminders:

- Do not send tinned food as it can be dangerous when the students try to open them themselves.

- Send a drink bottle every day.
- If your child has a yoghurt for lunch please send a spoon
- Please put an extra set of clothes in your child's bag in case they have a mishap.
- We encourage children to eat healthy food first then we allow them to eat their treats.
- Children are not allowed to play on the play equipment after 3pm or before 8:30am.
- If students arrive at school before 8:30am they must go to the undercover area at the Tuckshop.
- Please label all your child's clothing with their name and class.

**Kind regards from the Prep teachers
Mitch Campbell, Jan Laws, Kate Phillips and
Jonathan Thorburn**

2F, 2G, 2I, 2J AND 2LT

Year 2 had a great start to the term with our excursion to the Beenleigh Historical Centre in the first week! The children enjoyed listening to and being involved in the displays. There were four talks and demonstrations;

1. Washing day with the old copper pot and hand wringer – everyone had a turn scrubbing the cloth on a scrubbing board and then winding the handle for the wringer (the presenters passed it through the wringer, to save their fingers!)
2. The old saw mill – workers had to walk 20 miles for work and then camp for months, the bosses provided nothing. Eventually they were paid and went back home for a little while. All the children (and some adults) had a turn at the skill of sawing with a giant saw, push – pull, get it wrong and the saw bends!
3. The old fire truck – we heard that siren a few times! Everyone had a turn sitting up the front and going for a drive (well a pretend one!). A few lucky children held the fire hose and put out the fire at the old dairy (not a real fire though).
4. School was in at the old school house! – The old bell rang and we sat in the bench seats with old slates to draw on, no books. The children were able to see some of the old charts and heard about how things were done in the past at school. Even a mischievous boy was late for school and was in big trouble, apparently he was always late!

After another quick nibble, we explored the rest of the old buildings and displays. We managed to answer lots of the questions in the booklet. Thanks to the parents who came along and assisted on the day. We had a wonderful day!

As part of our English genres for this year, we are working on narratives at the moment. We are discussing plot, characters and sequencing events for the story, using lots of noun groups and descriptive words.

In Mathematics, we are introducing 3-digit numbers in place value and counting patterns. We will be continuing with developing addition, subtraction, groups of (multiplication) and sharing (division). Fractions, measurement, shape and problem solving are also being revised and extended.

Thank you to the parents who are making sure all items of clothing and other school things are named. This makes a huge difference in being able to return them if lost. The lost property basket is overflowing with unnamed items – might be worth a look if you're missing something.

Don't forget – the lap-a-thon on the 21st August and we have the Gold Coast Show holiday this year, Friday 29th August, not the Ekka one.

Regards

**Shandell Gammon, Shandy Iurato, Rebecca Johnston,
Johnathon Frazer, Andrea Lepherd and Cynthia
Thorpe**

4B, 4K, 4H AND 4T

This term is an exciting one for year 4's as we are taking part in an Art/Technology challenge which will see the children designing and creating an article of clothing made entirely from recycled materials. A letter is going home shortly with the details so start recycling everybody!

We have just completed the second round of PAT Maths testing and it was pleasing to see so many children have improved in their results from the beginning of the year. This is just one of the many ways in which we check on the children's progress and distance travelled to help guide our teaching and learning.

In Geography we are learning all about sustainability. So please speak to your children about ways in which your family can help by recycling, re-using and reducing waste. No doubt you will hear all about it in the upcoming weeks.

Just a reminder to send a jumper on these cold days as the mornings and afternoons can get very chilly outside. Also keep up with those healthy lunches. It is an important part of your child's education to eat well and get plenty of exercise each and every day to maintain concentration and vitality in the classroom.

Kind regards

**Cassandra Tones, Suzzi Bray, Katie Brown and
Michael Howlett**

6B, 6G, 6N AND 6S

It's been a pleasing start to term 3 with many exciting events planned for the last half of the year. The Athletics carnival in the last week of term 2 was a raging success. Thank you to all the parents who assisted and came along to watch and a big thank you to all the year 6 and 7 students who helped with the activities on the junior school athletics day.

This term a group of year 6 and 7 students will be testing their maths skills in an inter-school mathematics challenge. They will be involved in weekly training to ensure they perform their best on the challenge day at Kingston Primary School on Tuesday

August 26th. Good luck to all students involved and thank you to Mrs Bailey for assisting the group.

On the 2nd and 3rd of September, year 6 students will be travelling to Ormeau Woods High school to experience a day in the life of a secondary student. This will be a highlight for students this term as those attending Ormeau Woods will get to see what their local high school has to offer and those that are not attending Ormeau Woods will get a feel for the high school experience. Notes with more details will be sent home shortly.

This year we will be holding the Celebrating Science Day on Wednesday 17th September. We will have a host of guests attending and fun science activities running throughout the day. Keep a look out for invites and please feel free to join your child's class for some science fun.

The senior shirts have been very popular this year with both year 6 and 7 sporting their respective light blue and navy designs. Luckily, we have a number of spare shirts left to sell at a reduced cost. If you would like an extra shirt for your child to wear during the week or just another memento then this is your last chance to purchase one. We've had several students asking for extra shirts and we can now offer these extra sizes at a cost of only \$30 each. First in best dressed and all money needs to be paid to the office. These sizes will sell so don't be disappointed and get in quick!

Year 6

Size 8: x 6
Size 10: x 2
Size 12: x 2
Size 20: x 1

Year 7

Size 8: x 1
Size 12: x 1
Size 14: x 1
Size 18: x 1

Just a last reminder for parents; it might be a good idea to check on your child's stationery supplies. A number of students have been coming to school without basic items such as lead pencils, red pens, rulers, erasers and glue. Please ensure that they have enough supplies to last them until the end of the year.

Kind regards

Suzanne Bailey (6B), Shane Grubb (6G), Kimberley Strachan (6S), Nikki Swain (6N)

BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

I only know too well how difficult it can be to have too little sleep. Sleep, or lack of it, is probably one of the most-discussed topics of a human being. New parents discover its vital importance in those first few weeks and months. The quality and quantity of sleep affects the wellbeing of everyone in the household — it's the difference between being cheerful, alert and active and being despondent, unmotivated and often cranky with others.

Most kids' sleep requirements fall within a predictable range of hours based on their age, but each child is a unique individual with distinct sleep needs. Still, sleep is very important to a child's wellbeing. As a general rule, 6 to 9 year olds require 10 hours sleep a night; 10 to 12 year olds, at least 9 hours; teens, 8 to 9.5 hours per night. Ideally routine contributes to better sleep ie. going to bed at the same time every night and waking at the same time.

The link between a child's lack of, or poor sleep, and his or her behaviour isn't always obvious.

Did you know?

Hyperactivity in some young people may be due to a sleep problem

Snoring can affect school work

Quality of sleep is just as important as quantity

Most sleep problems occur in teenagers and the elderly

Ten percent of teenagers have clinically significant anxiety causing sleep problems

Over a third of primary school-aged children experience problematic night fears

Lack of sleep can cause hallucinations

Collapsing with laughter may actually indicate a sleep problem

Nine out of ten people who play a computer game, dream of it that night

The type of sleep a person has is equally important. A good night's sleep will give enough rest and energy to tackle life's challenges. Snoring or holding of breathe will affect oxygen flow and cause disruption to sleep patterns. Tossing and turning, talking in one's sleep, constant moving, waking regularly or sleep walking indicate an active mind and body which again works against restful sleep. When adults are tired, they can either be grumpy or have low energy, but kids can become hyper, disagreeable, and have extremes in behaviour. Concentration and general behaviour are affected and in the school setting this can be dire.

There isn't one sure way to raise a good sleeper, but every parent should be encouraged to know that most kids have the ability to sleep well. The key is to try, from early on, to establish healthy sleep habits. If you have concerns seek help from your Doctor.

You can find more information at the following link:

<http://sleepfoundation.org/sleep-topics/children-and-sleep>

http://kidshealth.org/kid/stay_healthy/body/not_tired.html

Just a reminder that **registrations will be closing soon** for the **Triple P parenting program** that will be held at Ormeau State School in a couple of weeks. The sessions will be run over 5 weeks each Monday night from 5.15pm – 7.15 pm commencing August 18th. If you are interested in attending the Triple P program, could you please email or call me directly, or contact the office and leave your name and number and I will call you back with further information.

Kind regards,

Carol Moores
Behaviour Support Teacher
0417792226
cmcle102@eq.edu.au

GERMAN NEWS

The World Cup triumph may be wearing off, but the excitement is still hot in the German classes as the students enthusiastically participate in the game of Tipp Kick – a table top soccer game developed by a German family 90 years ago. It is a short, but intense game played by two students.

Some of the students are interested in competing in the upcoming South East Championship at the Brisbane German Club.

Good luck to Nicole R and Holly who are interested in competing in the upcoming Gold Coast Speech competition at the Griffith University on the Gold Coast.



The excitement of the 'stadium'



In action!

By the way ... as a link in to Language Perfect, student are using the opportunity to compete in the Education Perfect Online Competition in Maths and English. Congratulations to Jaiden and Dezi C and Ron L for their Bronze achievements in Maths and also to Nicolas B, Ben N and Max W for Credit Achievements. In the English Competiton, Dezi C has achieved another Bronze and Nicolas B a Credit.

An awesome effort of independent learning and achievement from these boys!

Frau Hay

HEAD OF CURRICULUM NEWS

New Curriculum for 2015

The Australian Curriculum continues to be rolled out and next year will see the introduction of a number of new subjects.

Health and Physical Education for Prep – Year 6

The Arts for Prep to Year 2 (with Years 3 – 6 implementing this subject in 2016)

Civics and Citizenship for Years 3 – 6

Business and Economics for Years 5 and 6

I begin this newsletter with a brief overview of Health and Physical Education.

The Australian Curriculum: Health and Physical Education states:

Health and Physical Education teaches students how to enhance their own and others' health, safety, wellbeing and physical activity participation in varied and changing contexts.

The Health and Physical Education learning area has strong foundations in scientific fields such as physiology, nutrition, biomechanics and psychology which inform what we understand about healthy, safe and active choices. The Australian Curriculum: Health and Physical Education (F–10) is informed by these sciences and offers students an experiential

curriculum that is contemporary, relevant, challenging, enjoyable and physically active.

The Curriculum is organised under two strands, “Personal, social and community health” and “Movement and physical activity”, with each strand containing three sub-strands.

Personal, social and community health

Being healthy, safe and active

Communicating and interacting for health and well-being

Contributing to healthy and active communities

Movement and physical activity

Moving our body

Understanding movement

Learning through movement

The following link is to the Australian Curriculum: Health and Physical Education scope and sequence document. It provides more thorough information on the actual content and skills that will be taught.

<http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/Australian%20Curriculum.pdf?Type=0&s=HPE&e=ScopeAndSeque>

UNSW Assessment Competition - Science

Congratulations are extended to the following students who achieved outstanding results in the recent Science Assessment:

Distinctions

Nicola M – 4B (top 7% in Australia)

Logan S – 4K (top 11% in Australia)

Callum B – 5F (top 8% in Australia)

Holly S - 7C (top 11% in Australia)

Credits

Hayley F – 5F

Joe S – 5F

Emma K – 6S

Merits

Marco M – 5F

Luke V – 7C

The following students also participated and received certificates for their efforts:

Year 3: Flynn F, Gabriella F, Jarvis K, Dylan M, Emma M, Alexander S

Year 4: Lana P

Year 5: Joshua W

Year 6: Jodie M, Dante M

Well done everyone!

Spelling results will be forthcoming, and the Mathematics assessment will take place on Tuesday afternoon 12 August.

If you have any queries, please contact me at jmcco40@eq.edu.au.

Kind regards

Julie McCombe

MUSIC NEWS

What a great start to Term 3.

In week 2, our Ormeau Senior, Junior Choir and Senior Strings ensemble competed in the 2014 Beenleigh Eisteddfod at the

Logan Entertainment Centre. All performance groups did a wonderful job and showed great performance presence on stage. To their credit, Ormeau came away with some fantastic results, the Ormeau Senior Choir were awarded 2nd place against 13 other schools, the Junior Choir were also awarded a 2nd place in their section against 9 schools and the Senior Strings ensemble were awarded a highly commended. Our day of competition was completed with lunch and a visit to the playground before our bus return back to school. I'd like to extend a big thank you to all the parents who all managed to have their children to school at 7:45am in order for us to catch the bus at 8am. It was great to see some Ormeau supporters in the audience as well. The day ran smoothly without a hitch thanks to the fantastic team of teachers and parent helpers that assisted with our 75 choral students from grade one to grade seven.



Our choral groups will be given another opportunity to perform on stage at the Ormeau Fair. This year, I have entered the Junior and Senior choir in the Primary schools competition held on Saturday 9th August. The winning performance will earn a \$1000 prize for the school, \$500 for 2nd place and \$250 for 3rd place. The competition begins at 9am, I have asked for all performers to meet side stage at 8:30am. It would be great to see plenty of performers and supporters to cheer us on at this wonderful community event.



Juniors on parade

Thanks,

Naomi Kircher
Classroom Music Teacher

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

District Athletics

Well done to all members of our school athletics team for your efforts at the district athletics carnivals. The highlights of the A Division competition included:

- Katelyn N 1st - 800m, 2nd - long jump and 200m, 3rd - 100m
- JT M 1st - high jump, long jump and shot put
- Brandon J 1st - high jump
- Taylah H 3rd - high jump
- Eli V 2nd - long jump
- Malachi N 3rd - 100m, 200m and high jump
- Brock S 4th - 100 m and 200m

And congratulations to the following team members who had success at the district finals:

- Katelyn N 1st - 800m, 2nd - 200m, 3rd - 100m
- JT M 1st - shot put, 2nd - long jump, 4th - high jump
- Malachi N 1st - high jump, 3rd - 100m and 200m

All three will now compete at the South Coast championships in September

Lauren A and Ryan A have also been invited to attend the regional trials to compete in discus.

Sports Day

Congratulations once again to our Age Champions from last term.



Congratulations to Banksia!

Kind regards
Peter Tyne

P & C NEWS

Thank you to everyone for your support on Pirate Day. The children enjoyed our Pirate Ship Tuckerbox.

Come and grab a bargain this Friday 8 August at our Trash and Treasure sale. Bring your spare change and bag a bargain.

Where: Outside Mr T's classroom

When: Morning tea and lunch

Kind regards

Ormeau P&C

SPECIAL EDUCATION NEWS

We have seen a few changes in the Special Education Department this term. Sarah Alcock is back from maternity leave and is working in the Head of Special Education role on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Peter Giles will continue acting in the role on a Thursday and Friday. Kristie Cutter will be staying with us in a part-time capacity, working on a Thursday and Friday. If you have any questions regarding these changes please contact Sarah Alcock or your child's Special Education teacher.

All of the Special Education teachers have been reviewing and developing student plans this term in collaboration with the class teacher, parents, and in some cases, other relevant specialists. We hope it has been a worthwhile process for you to be involved with. If you were unable to attend a meeting to discuss your child's progress and would like to discuss anything further, please contact the Special Education teacher who works with your child. Once everything is finalised, a copy of each plan will be sent home with your child.

On Tuesday in week 9 of this term, 9th September, the garden club will be holding another pancake stall to help raise money for the gardening program and equipment. We would really appreciate a donation of one of the following items to help

make the morning a success; self-raising flour, long life milk, maple syrup or chocolate syrup.

As Part of the Queensland Government Transport Assistance Schemes, there is a School Transport Assistance Program for Students with Disabilities. Further information on this program can be located here: <http://education.qld.gov.au/students/transport/>

If you would like to discuss this further please contact Sarah Alcock.

If you have any questions regarding your child's special education support please don't hesitate to contact one of us on the school number or come by our block, next to the PCYC building.

Kind Regards,

Sarah Alcock, Peter Giles, Sarah Lopes, Mark Sycz and Kristie Cutter

ADMINISTRATION REMINDERS

Absent Students

If your child is unable to attend school due to sickness or other family reasons it is not necessary for you to call the school each time. We get many phone calls each morning from parents informing us their child is away for the day. For this reason we ask if you could send in a note with your child on their return to inform the teacher of the reason for the absence. For your convenience you can also email the absence through (admin@ormeauss.eq.edu). If your child is to be away more than three days then we do appreciate a phone call to ensure the safety of your child.

Medication

If your child needs to take medication of any kind while at school we can only administer prescription medication. This medication needs to be in the original box/container with the chemist label adhered to it. Students are not permitted to hold medication of any kind in their bag. All medication must be brought to the office, authorisation forms filled out and signed by parent/guardian. Students then come to the office for staff to administer the medication. Should you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Mobile Phones at School

It is understood that some students have a mobile phone for safety purposes whilst travelling to and from school, however, it is this school's policy that phones are to be switched off and signed in at the office for safe keeping during the school day. Students are to be reminded that it is at their own risk if they choose to bring a mobile device to school, but cannot under any circumstance be permitted to keep the phone with them throughout the day.

Have you moved?

If you have moved, changed jobs, changed your telephone number (including mobile) or if your emergency contacts have had any changes to your contact details we need to know. Please email admin@ormeauss.eq.edu.au send a note to the

office with your child or phone the office on **55 466 500** to let us know of any changes.

Payment Information

Student I.D Numbers

A friendly reminder to Parents/Caregivers to use your student's I.D. number as a reference, when making payments via internet banking. The correct I.D number is 10 digits with a letter on the end (eg. 1234567899X). This is particularly important when making payments via internet banking so that the school's Finance Department can apply the payment.

If you are unsure of your child's student I.D number, please do not hesitate to contact our Administration Department on **55 466 500**.

Paying via Internet Banking: Direct Payment into School Bank Account

- School's Bank Account Name: Ormeau State School General A/C
- BSB Number: 064-401 (CBA Branch Beenleigh)
- Account Number: 00090359
- Reference/Details: Please record the student's I.D. number in the reference/details section so that your payment can be recorded correctly.

Paying by phone: Payment by Credit Card ONLY

Call the school on **55 466 500** Monday to Friday between 8am - 4.00pm. VISA or Mastercard accepted.

Paying in Person: Payment by Credit Card, Debit Card, Cash or Cheque can be made at the school Payment Window **Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8am – 9:30am**

Lost Property

Lost Property is located outside of the administration building, could you please remind your child/children to check for any lost items. We have a large number of school jumpers which have not been named. Please ensure all drink bottles, lunch boxes, hats and jumpers are clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

Kind regards

Administration Team

COMMUNITY NEWS

Beenleigh Scout Group

Car Boot Sale & Car Wash
Tallagandra Crt, Beenleigh
30 August - 7am - 12pm
\$20 to hold a stall, \$10 Car Wash
Book by 22 August. 0490 181 933

Coomera Comets Touch Football

Junior and Senior Touch Football sign on.
5.30-7pm Friday Night 8th and 15 August 2014