**Principal’s Page**

At Grovely our purpose is embedded in the belief that every student can learn. The staff work deliberately and intently on maximising the success of all students. I would like to thank and congratulate our year 3 and 5 students on their recent individual NAPLAN reports that were sent home. I am particularly proud of our students’ achievements and would also like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff who work tirelessly with your children so that they achieve their full potential every day.

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Our Reading results for students in the Upper 2 bands was the same as the nation and above the state %. Students who were NMS (national minimum standard) and above was in year 3 above the nation and the state and similar to the nation and state in Year 5. Working on a consistency of practice in reading has been a priority.

Everybody has a set of strengths and lesser strengths both of which need to be acknowledged at different times. One particular acknowledgement I would like to make is to one of our students who has for the second year in a row won the medallion for Science from the ICAS tests. I am pleased to inform you that Samuel Meredith has been confirmed as a medal winner and will be awarded a medal for ICAS-Science. Congratulations to Sam on this significant achievement. Medals will be presented to students at an official ceremony later in the year.

The P-2 sports day was a lovely morning! It always affirms to me the community presence, student participation and teacher involvement that makes Grovely the best place to be.

No matter where our schools are located across the state, the importance of students attending school is critical to their future success. Every Day Counts... is more than a slogan — it’s a commitment to ensuring each and every day is a precious day of teaching and a precious day of learning. We have precious few days of learning left to make a difference in 2016! Please support us in this endeavour. The staff and I have an obligation to follow up unexplained absences.

The lap-a-thon was another successful fundraising event run by our P and C. The P and C are working tirelessly on pooling the fundraising they have done through the cooler months towards more air conditioning for the classrooms in our school.

There is still some time left of cooler months. Please ensure your child has the correct uniform. Students wearing different coloured jumpers will be offered correct coloured jumpers from our Chaplain to support this to happen. Whilst we have not specified a particular type of shoe we do ask for black shoes and white socks.

At Grovely our strength not only lies in our diversity but in the collaboration of the Montessori and Mainstream pathways to work towards common beliefs and philosophies around quality student learning and quality relationships. Our united purpose is for every student succeeding.

See you at Community Coffee!
Leanne Duncan
FROM THE DEPUTIES

Student Food
We are currently finding that there are a lot of children who do not have enough food for the 1pm eating break. During the course of the day students have a
- “brain snack” early in the day which is usually a piece of fruit
- Morning tea
- Lunch at 1pm

We have noticed that many students are eating before 8:30 am if they come to school early. This seems to be a time that they are eating their lunch and then don’t have anything left for later in the day. Please talk to your child and make sure they have enough food for the day and that they eat the food that they bring. Sometimes they will tell us that they don’t like the food they have. If this happens it tends to be wasted.

ICAS Maths
Tuesday 16th August is the final ICAS test. If you have paid for this test please make sure that you are at the library at 7:50 so that we are able to get organised to begin the assessment at 8am. We are now beginning to receive official results for the previous ICAS subjects and when we receive certificates we will present them on assemblies as they arrive.

Science Week
This year’s science week theme is Drones, Droids and Robots. This supports a focus on technology in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). We will be welcoming a range of technological visitors to our school to help us celebrate Science week...keep an eye out for more information from your child around this!!!

P-2 Sports Day
Congratulations to all of our P-2 students who participated in this years P-2 sports day. We saw lots of fast running, exciting ball games and skills in the Tabloid events. It was great to see our parents get involved and encourage all of the children to do their best. A big thanks also to our student leaders as they supported the day on the tabloid events.

Parent Music Afternoon Information for 2017
Apologies to Parents who had planned to come to the information afternoon on Tuesday 9 August. Unfortunately this was postponed. We will make sure that further information regarding this will be provided for you. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Have a great fortnight
Sue McIvor

It has been a wonderful experience over the last couple of weeks to be involved in a number of Grovely State School events where I have had the opportunity to see the whole school at the same time in action!

Firstly with the Lap-a-thon last week! What a great way to start the day this was! The students being active and social while working hard to raise funds for their school. It was a fun yet purposeful morning. Congratulations to all who participated and in particular to the P and C for their efforts to get the morning prepared.

Then this week I had the pleasure of being a small part of the P-2 Sports morning. Once again an enjoyable and well organised morning of running, ball games and tabloid activities for our younger students. Well done to all involved, especially Mr Bidner, for getting everything and everyone ready and organised.

Things I have noticed the last couple of weeks:
- Opportunities for students to extend their learning in Robotics and Mathematics
- Teachers working hard and prepared to do whatever it takes to ensure students are successful
- Student leaders setting good examples as role models for younger students and being involved in their school
- Teachers and students being generous with their time and sharing how they learn with others

Have a great fortnight everyone. Stay safe and be generous and kind every chance you get.
Jay Moore

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week is coming up in Week 7 and the 2016 theme is Australia: Story. Students are welcome to celebrate by dressing up as their favourite character on Wednesday 24 August (an Australian book character is even better!)

During book week the library will be filled with indigenous stories, Australian books and Australian author displays. Book readings will be held in the library at lunchtime on Wednesday 24 August by the library monitors and Ms Kerri. We would also like to invite students to finish our Australian: Story Fact Finding Treasure Hunt. Drop into the Library in week 7 at 8:30am or 1:15pm to join the fun!

The Premier’s Reading Challenge forms are due back at school on 26 August so keep up the good reading. Completed forms can be handed back to class teachers. Blank forms are still available in the library if you need a new copy. Happy Reading
Kerri Walters (Library Teacher Aide)

CURRICULUM CORNER

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David Covington.

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SU Camp
Hills to Hinterland Camp is coming up during the week of September 26-30/9/16. This camp will be held at Grice’s Nut Farm, Maleny. The cost of the camp is $200 which is inclusive of transport. This camp is for students in years 5 -7. Sponsorship may be available. There is a limit of 40 spaces so please don’t hesitate to contact me should you be interested in your child attending or visit www.sucamps.org.au
Cathy Longford

VACANCY

Vacancy - Casual School Crossing Supervisor
A position exists for a Casual School Crossing Supervisor at Grovely State School.
- Some pre-employment conditions will apply
- May be required for roster five days per fortnight in all weather conditions
- 1 hour 15 mins per day on a rostered basis
- Pay Rate $28.18 per hour
Applications are available from the School Administration. Applications close: Monday 22 August 2016
YMCA OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

What we’ve been doing:
At YMCA Grovely OSHC we value our children’s ideas and input. Our theme at present is the ALPHABET. We have been and are continuing to explore the alphabet by doing arts & crafts, outside activities, inside activities, educational activities and more on letters of the alphabet. We have also been cooking yummy foods starting with each letter of the alphabet.

Our Community
If you are ever looking for something to do with the kids over the weekend; why not check our Brisbane Kids on facebook or http://www.brisbanekids.com They have so many fun, free and cheap ideas for you and the family to do.

VACATION CARE
School Holidays are in 5 weeks and we are open for Spring Holiday Club. We have some exciting theme days, activities and excursions to Bowling and Putt Putt. If you would like to book your child; whether it is casual or permanent; feel free to email me at AGR@ymcabrisbane.org or pop up to our YMCA room located in the Prep building upstairs.

Remember it’s never too late to place your child/ren into our wonderful Before and After School Care Program. If you would like more information feel free to email me at AGR@ymcabrisbane.org or pop up to our YMCA room located in the Prep building upstairs. Thank you.
Rochelle and the Team

P&C
ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS - With over $20,000 worth of valuable offers, have you thought about buying a Membership for your family members or friends? For every Membership we sell, 20% of the purchase price goes directly to us. The money we raise this year will go to support Grovely State School P&C Committee. Take advantage of the great offers instantly on your smartphone with an Entertainment™ Digital Membership. www.grovelyschool.com.au/entbook

TUCKSHOP
Tuckshop operates every Thursday and Friday. Online orders close 8.30am - Counter orders close 9am. The Tuckshop will no longer be able to take any over the counter orders after 9am. Thank you for your understanding.

SAVE THE DATE!
Grovely State School is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year and to celebrate the P&C are planning a massive outdoor event on Saturday 8 October 2016. Save the date and keep an eye out for more details as plans come together.

P&C website - Keep up to date at www.grovelyschool.com.au
P&C payments - pay.grovelyschool.com.au or via the QKR! app on your phone (includes tuckshop, community coffee, uniform shop, special events and more)

COMMUNITY INFORMATION
TOWELS/BLANKETS NEEDED – a Grovely SS student is collecting old towels and blankets to help the animals at the Australia Zoo Hospital. Please support this wonderful cause by leaving clean/washed items at the office during school hours.
Thank you for caring.

JUST FOR KIDS (JFK) is held each Thursday afternoon from 3.30-5.00pm for primary school kids, at Grovely Christian Church, 38 Woking St, Mitchelton (Just off Casey St, opposite the school on Dawson Pde). Each week has a theme with fun, food and activities.
For more information, contact Meralda on 0401 012 615.

ZUMBA – is held on Thursday nights at 7:00pm at Mitchelton State School hall, for only $10 per class. Don’t forget there are also 2 classes a week at Grovely State School GPAC on Monday & Friday mornings at 9:15am. Come along and put the fun into fitness! Contact Narelle McDowall on 0408 716 503 for more information.

FERNY DISTRICTS CRICKET CLUB sign on dates are 20/08/16 10am-12pm & 28/08/16 12-2pm. Check out www.fernyfireballs.org.au for info.

THE GAP LITTLE ATHLETICS new season starts on 26 August at The Gap SHS oval for children 6-16 years. For more information, check out www.thegaplittleathletics.org.au or call 0416 866 395.

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RED CROSS

What does RED CROSS really mean? RED CROSS is the world’s largest humanitarian organisation, helping alleviate human suffering without discrimination. Together your family can learn about our work and our fundamental principles of humanity, impartiality, neutrality and voluntary service. Understanding these principles can help children learn to respect and care for others as global citizens.

WHY ARE WE AT GROVELY STATE SCHOOL? We want to support families and help children have healthy happy lives… My name is Amanda and I am part of the Red Cross Family. My role is support families and link families into services that can help with the toughest job on the planet… BEING A PARENT. Call anytime and leave a message on 3855 0166. You never know just what is available and how we can help.

ASK IZZY.... Check out this new Government Website/App. It is called ASK IZZY. It is an App to help families find local support services in your area. Have a look.

RED CROSS WEDNESDAYS for Champions…. Starting from Wednesday the 17th 2nd Break: Red Cross is inviting any student to come and have a look and join in on the Wacky Wednesday Activity. Feeling lonely, no one play to play with, have a few stresses come and play. Kids remember that; Mistakes are proof that you are having a great go.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

We had such a great response to this issue of the Book Club. Every book purchased through the School Book Club earns the School rewards. These rewards are used to purchase new books and Teacher resources for the library. This Book Club earned $268.50.

Another Scholastic Book Club catalogue will be sent home next Term. If you are looking for some new books for your family or as presents, consider purchasing them through the Book Club and the School benefits too.

Thank you for helping to raise readers in our community.
Charlotte (parent volunteer coordinator Scholastic Book Club)