This time of the term is always a time for myself, the staff and our students to reflect on the successes and future goals. Yesterday in our staff meeting staff shared their successes and celebrations from the term. These were centred around our work, our students.

The 3-6 sports day yesterday was a successful event enjoyed by all yesterday. The weather held out and it was a lovely day. Thanks to YMCA for organising a tent of light refreshments and tea and coffee etc. for parents who attended and staff. It was very much appreciated!

I love the community events we have here at Grovely. They are always done so well as they are valued by all. Thank you to the P&C for the running the Disco. Thank you as well to Jason Cherry who is an awesome DJ!

Another event that was successfully attended was Under 8’s morning. Our playgroup Little Blossoms also were welcomed to attend. There were smiling painted faces everywhere! This week we also had a number of students and classes go to excursions and displayed exemplary behaviour in representing our school.

Being an 11 week term the students have done very well to get to the end with a strong work ethic and motivation. Report cards come home today with behaviour letters in an envelope marked with your child’s name. I encourage you and your child to discuss their effort marks as this is always an extremely important part of who your child is as a learner irrespective of their achievement. Trying their best and giving their all with persistence is a reflection on their resilience and work ethic.

The community calendar has come out with this newsletter as part of our commitment to provide you with information ahead of the term. Next term has many events to look forward to. The P & C are also running a bake stall on Election Day!! YMCA OHSC are also supporting with this. Thank you!

Next term the lovely Ms Annie Rossouw is on leave. She will be replaced by Ms Rebecca Penna. Rebecca has a music background and experience with Choirs and is passionate about this. For those of you who have not met Mr Jay Moore, our relocated Deputy, he will be commencing next term as well. Mrs Sue McIvor will be continuing with us as well.

There has been some discussion around the review of OHSC. This is a standard process that should occur after a number of years. This process is still continuing. A number of tenders have done site visits. Scott Fineran and myself will have input into the final tender.

Have a wonderful break. I look forward to seeing you next term.

Leanne Duncan
FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK

3-6 sports day
Congratulations to Dawson for being the winning house at our 3-6 Sports Carnival yesterday. Congratulations to all of our 3-6 students who participated on the day. It was a fantastic day with students involved in a variety of events across the whole day. I saw great sportsmanship and everybody encouraging others to participate and do their best. Well done to everybody.

Religious Instruction
We are providing religious instruction (RI) for students from years 1-6. Our religious instruction teachers are from Combined Christian Churches and use the Godspace program.

When you enrol at our school you complete information about your religious beliefs. From this information your child is placed in your nominated religious class if it is available. If it is not available or if you mark no religion students are offered other instruction in a separate location at this time. If we do not already have clear advice about your child’s participation in RI please provide this to the school in writing.

Advanced Music Camp
Congratulations to all students who participated in last weeks advanced music camp. Music camps are such a wonderful opportunity for music students to develop and extend their knowledge and skills and to be a part of a larger ensemble. It is amazing how quickly the students learn across the camp. It is always amazing for students to be able to present their learning and amazing talents in the twilight concert that concludes the camp. Well done to everyone involved.

ICAS
Well done to the students who have already participated in the ICAS tests. Hopefully we will receive results from the earlier tests after the holidays. The next one is English on Tuesday 2nd August. A reminder for students to be at the library at 7.50 so we can start at 8am.

It has been a successful and fulfilling term. I am looking forward to continuing with the Grovely community after the holidays. Have a safe and relaxing break!

Sue McIvor

CHAPLAINS CHAT

UNIFORMS
It’s that time of the year when we need to start pulling out the winter woolies! If you require second hand winter uniforms, please come and see me in the Rainbow Room on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Thank you to everyone who supported the Pancake Breakfast last week. What a yummy way to start the day! Approximately $150 was raised and proceeds will go to the Chaplaincy Program at Grovely State School. The next Pancake Breakfast will be held on Wednesday 27 July, hope to see you there!

Have a safe and happy holiday with your family and I look forward to seeing you all in term 3.

Cathy Longford

YMCA OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS SCHOOL (OSHC)

VACATION CARE
School Holidays are not far away and we are open for Winter Holiday Club. We have some exciting theme days, activities and an excursion to Digi Roller Skating Rink. 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.

Rochelle and the Team

BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL CHALLENGE

TENNIS TRIALS

Pure Tennis Ferny Hills are having Trials for Grades 1 & 2 to play in the Brisbane International schools challenge on Wednesday 13 July & Thursday 14 July at Lunchtime from 1.15pm-1.45pm. Grovely came very close last year, just missing out on going to the State Trials. All those interested please contact Mitchell Bidner for more details.

CURRICULUM CORNER

Student Academic Reporting
Today, your child’s end of semester report will be going home. Your child’s achievement is rated against the Australian Curriculum Achievement Standard in each subject area. Achievement Standards refer to the quality of learning (the depth of understanding, extent of knowledge and sophistication of skill) demonstrated by students within a given subject.

Teachers use the Achievement Standards to determine what each student has learnt in relation to the Australian Curriculum. The report coming home today provides achievement levels, effort levels and comments outlining what knowledge and skills have been covered throughout the semester. Comments about behaviour and overall effort and work are also provided. Each year level uses a five point reporting scale, with different year levels using different reporting scales dependant on their developmental abilities. These scales are as follows:

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Students achieving Work With, Sound, or a C are working at year level expectations. A “C” means that the student has met the criteria for a learner at the appropriate year/age level. The best description is to say that a “C” means that your student’s academic development is exactly where it needs to be! That means, attaining a “C” for Achievement means that your child is ON TARGET for their year/age level.

Your student will also receive an Effort grade for each subject area. An Effort grade indicates the student’s work habit and whether they have independently and consistently displayed solid work habits like staying on task, remaining focussed, and applying effort in an attempt to aim for mastery of the concept being taught. Effort grades are also rated on a 5 point scale.

If you have any questions about your child’s report, please arrange a mutually convenient time with your child’s class teacher to discuss any concerns that you may have.

Have a great winter holiday!

David Covington

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE

3354 6366
Please call before 9am if your child will be absent from school.
P&C

ELECTION DAY BBQ & CAKE STALL - Saturday 2 July 2016
With another election upon us, we are now busy organising cake stall and BBQ for Saturday 2 July This time around, the election falls in the school holidays! We urgently need some VOLUNTEERS TO HELP with the BBQ and the CAKE STALL on the day. Just an hour of your time would be a huge help. The cake stall can’t be a fundraising success without your help to cook wonderful cakes, slices, cupcakes etc. We know there are some fabulous bakers in our community! Please help us out by dropping your baking to the school Coffee Shop on Friday 1 July between 8am - 1pm. Alternatively you are welcome to join a group of us baking up a storm in the Coffee Shop on Friday 1 July between 8am -1pm. All the ingredients will be supplied. For more information and to volunteer on Election Day or to join the baking group please contact Bryony on 0405 210 650 or email vp@grovelyschool.com.au

CHANGES TO THE Qkr APP
Qkr has come up with a new design and parent experience within the app that will be updated from Apple’s App Store or the Google Play Store around the 16th of June. Your username and password will remain the same, as will any credit or debit cards already stored within Qkr, as well as your profile settings and those of your children. What will change significantly is the look and feel of the app, and the screens you will see in the process of using Qkr. See the images for examples of current Qkr screens on left, and how they will appear with the app refresh.

Home screen: Our school will appear at the top of the home screen for currently registered users, but note some new terms like “Discover” and “Activity” as Qkr is being used increasing by non-school merchants around the world, so the design has been modified to cater for users in a wide range of industry sectors.

Receipts will in future be stored under the “Activity” tab. Your old receipts will still be accessible from this area.

Product selection screen: This screen will now be more efficiently used to make scrolling through a large list of products easier.

Calendar Display: Same functionality is all there, just in a different layout. There is one feature we have always had but few people knew about, and that is the ability for busy parents to copy all of last week’s food orders to next week with the click of one button. This is made more visible in the new app with the words “Repeat Order”

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)