I have heard this morning our happy campers have woken up to a cool but lovely morning! Sue and I spent the evening last night with a very excited group of students and heard all about the mud trail!

I was invited to the Junior secondary summit to hear Andrew Fuller speak. There was a strong focus on wellbeing and the link to learning. Interestingly a large amount of the focus was how schools continued to develop resilience in our young children as they grow into young adults.

A fabulous book fair over the last week!! Thank you to the work of Kerri Walters and the volunteers and helpers she had to make such a successful event enjoyed immensely by our students.

Last week was Chaplain Week! Our Chappy, Cathy Longford engages in many aspects of our school community here at Grovely. Cathy works with students around their social and emotional wellbeing offering social skilling programs, support to families, the rainbow room and pastoral care. Cathy also is a valuable part of community events here at Grovely from pancake breakfasts to mothers and fathers day’s events. Our community wouldn’t be the same without our Cathy Chappy! Thank you for everything you do for our community, Cathy!

Some of our Student leaders also engaged in mediator and conflict resolution training in the last week. The students thoroughly enjoyed this experience! Two keen student leaders were very motivated to share that the day after that they had helped two younger students solve a conflict using what they had learnt! To have the student trial in the playground in Term 3 will allow them to practice the skills they have learnt! After this time we will ask for feedback from the staff, students and the community.

Currently I am going through the tender process for OHSC. This is something that is run with input from the department when agreements are up for reviewing. I will keep you informed of the outcome.

There are 4 weeks left with many things coming up to look forward to as a community. We have Under 8’s which is always a great morning and our end of term Dance along with report cards and celebrations of learning!
Last week Steve worked hard to add some flowers/plants to the front of the school. We are also making signs to remind all to treat them respectfully. Please help us in doing this, we will also be putting up a little edge around the new gardens. Respect our gardens!

Grovely is 60 and we will be celebrating on 8 October with music and memorabilia, rides and food vans! Watch this space! Last week on assembly we launched our official logo for the event! A huge thankyou to one of our parents, Li Wang and to Julie Smith and Rochelle Meyer for organising this.

In memory of Andrew Kloprogge
It saddens my heart deeply to have to share that a past Grovely family, the Kloprogge family lost their beautiful son, Andrew. Andrew was in Year 11 at Kelvin Grove State College and attended Grovely from Year 4 to Year 7.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and those families who are still here and deeply connected with them. The connections we make are long lasting and are forged in relationships we treasure. Andrew was a talented, unassuming young man. Rest in peace, Andrew.

Leanne Duncan

NEW ENROLMENTS - 2017
Prep 2017 interviews are being offered to families who have completed enrolment forms. If you are intending to enrol a child in 2017 (Mainstream or Montessori), please collect an enrolment pack from the office now. If you already have children at Grovely SS and are enrolling their sibling, it is important that we know well in advance in order to secure a position for them. Your immediate attention to this matter is appreciated.

RED CROSS WORKSHOP
8 June – 9.00am–2.30pm River of Life Workshop
The workshop will be held in the GPAC Marshalling Room. Please contact Tracey Scantlebury 3855 0166 / 0448 352 536 to register or for more details.

FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK
Dianne Davis
Dianne will be visiting us from Tuesday 7 June till Thursday 9 June. We welcome Dianne to work with our community again to support our Montessori. She will be working with our teachers and students to continue to revise and build on the work we have done.

Please make sure you put in your diaries her parent information session in the library on Tuesday 7 June 3-4pm. She will be discussing Montessori at home and supporting student’s independence.

Sorry Day
It was a beautiful ceremony at Teralba Park this morning to recognise Sorry Day. Congratulations to our choir and Mrs Rossouw who were amazing, as always. We were also very proud of Ronald who did a speech this morning.

ICAS Science
A reminder for all students who will be doing the Science ICAS next Tuesday 31 May. This will be in the library and will start at 8am sharp. Please be at the library at 7.50am so we can get everything organised to begin on time. Please note the assessments must be completed on the day set.

National Simultaneous Storytime
Thanks to everyone who joined us to read together I Got This Hat by Jo! and Kate Temple. Thanks to Mrs Walters who has encouraged everybody to “Read more in May”. Congratulations on a fantastic Book Fair that has provided us with many more books in our library so that students can read more all the time!! I encourage students to set reading goals to help them read more by reading more pages every day.

Have a great fortnight.
Sue McIvor

COMMUNITY INFORMATION
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.

26 May Guess Who? 2 June State of Origin
For more information, contact Meralda on 0401 012 615 or Chris on 0419 820 810.

GREEN HEART FAIR will be held on Sunday 29 May from 9am-2pm at 7th Brigade Park, Murphy Road Chermise. Sustainability displays, free entertainment and activities, markets and more. Travel green! Show your Green Heart and come by bus, bike or on foot. Visit www.greenheart.com.au for bus and bike info.

Grovely Reading Framework
The Grovely State School Reading Framework is now complete! This document outlines, using a research base, how we teach reading at our school. It provides teachers with guidance around planning for reading and the imperatives that are expected in teaching reading.

Our teachers use the procedures of modelled reading, shared reading, guided reading and independent reading within the classroom context.

- Modelled Reading is where the teacher reads aloud and models the habits of a proficient reader
- Shared Reading allows the whole class to engage with the text and the aspects of reading that have been chosen as the focus for the lesson
- Guided Reading is focused, small group episodes that enables the teacher to provide strategic and explicit instruction in decoding, making meaning and thinking critically
- Independent Reading is where students have the opportunity to practice their reading skills and re-engage with the content of a prior lesson.

In our Reading Framework we have also outlined the four behaviours that are characteristics of good readers. These are:

- Readers are Purposeful – they understand the purpose of their reading
- Readers Understand the Purpose of the Text – they understand that writers are purposeful
- Readers Monitor their Comprehension – they ensure that there are no gaps in their understanding
- Readers Adjust their Reading Strategies – they adjust their reading strategies when required.

These behaviours can be discussed and modelled at home by asking some simple questions of your child/children. For example, why are you reading this book? Why do you think the author wrote this book (to persuade, to inform, to entertain)? Why do you think the author chose those particular works to describe….?

For more information to support your child’s reading development, or to view the document, please feel free to talk to your child’s classroom teacher or make an appointment to see me.

David Covington (Head of Curriculum)
Hello Everyone. We are well into Term 2 and we have so many exciting things happening at YMCA like WE WON A GRANT!! Yes that’s right we won a $10,000.00 resource and equipment grant!!! We are beyond excited for this as we have invested into getting some outdoor tables for all to use, as well as new toys, room displays, whole home corner makeover, new tables, cupboards etc. Most of the equipment has arrived and we are still waiting on more.

In other exciting news we just got a licensing increase. YAY! That’s right we now have 25 new spots available at BSC & ASC. Get in quick and secure your spots today!

VACATION CARE
School Holidays are just over 4 weeks 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/ren it is due no later than Friday 10 June at 9.00am. A letter has been sent home this week along with an invoice.

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

Library News

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
Our Tuckshop uses Qkr! for online ordering. Download the app or visit www.grovelyschool.com.au/pay Register an account and add your students to get started. It’s easy and convenient to use and we encourage you to try online ordering this term!

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)

YMCA OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS SCHOOL (OSHS)
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