**Principal’s Page**

Week 5 already!

96.5FM is here next Wednesday 11 November!! They will be at our school from 6 am – 9 am!! This will be an exciting morning for our students and community. A program and media permissions form specific to this event will be sent home tomorrow. This form will only be asking if you do not give permission for photos etc. You MUST return the form if you do not give permission for your child/children to be photographed or filmed. Our media permissions do not cover what they are requesting. We will provide this list to the 96.5FM/channel 7 team. Thank you for your diligence in this matter. Please attend with your child to enjoy the festivities! We would love to see you! We will (fingers crossed!) have the channel 7 helicopter landing at 8.45am, all going well! Festivities will be set up on the oval. Our student leaders and choir will play a part in the morning if parents can accommodate this. As it is Remembrance Day we will have the student leaders read a poem as a tribute to the memory of this day. We will also have a minutes silence at 11am.

I would like to extend a warm thank you to our P&C on behalf of the staff for the fabulous cake we all enjoyed on World Teachers Day!

Students also participated in “Music Count Us In” last week with live feeds to many other schools to sing the same song at the same time to celebrate music!! Jane Prentice joined us and was very impressed with the enthusiasm of the students and adults there! Thank you to Mrs Annie Rossouw for organising this event and thank you to Ms Narelle McDowall and the Zumba team for contributing to this occasion.

There are many events for us to look forward to including the instrumental music information evening tonight for those that are interested as well as the P & C Movie night Friday night. The P & C ran a great night last time and the students are very much looking forward to it!!

Students Leaders are underway. I have strongly encouraged students to draft their responses so they can focus on the clarity of what they want to say and share. When they enter it into their books they can then focus on the quality of their written work they are sharing with staff in the school. I talked with potential student leaders about pride in themselves and our school and what qualities they would want to see in the student leaders in our school. I am looking forward to hearing their speeches and have offered to work with any students who would like some help in GPAC at lunch time with practicing their speech.

**Just a reminder for Absences**

I am in the process of following up on absences of significant numbers (explained or unexplained). Research tells us that missing out on school has a significant impact on learning and engagement. Teachers follow up with a phone call/letter after 3 consecutive absent days in a row. Administration will follow up on cumulative absences. Every day counts for the students of Grovely!

Next week Mrs Sue McIvor is taking 5 days leave and Ms Jill King will be Acting Deputy Principal in her absence.

I am thoroughly enjoying my time as Acting Principal and feel privileged to be leading this wonderful school with the strong staff and supportive parents we have. This support and community spirit has been demonstrated to me personally this week by our school community in another way when my husband was rushed to emergency at the Prince Charles on Sunday. He is still admitted and is slowly recovering hoping to be out by the end of the weekend. Thank you for your support, kind thoughts and understanding.

**Value of the Week** – **LEARNER** – I know what I am good at.

**Habit of the Week** – **TAKE TIME TO SHARPEN THE SAW** – I take care of my body by eating right, exercising and getting enough sleep. I learn in lots of ways and lots of places, not just at school. I take time to find meaningful ways to help others.

Leanne Duncan
Acting Principal

**Up and coming events…**

**19 November 2015** Enrolment Information forum for Prep 2016 – 6.30pm in GPAC
**FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK**

Whoooping Cough

We have had some confirmed cases of Whooping cough within the school. Advice from Queensland Health is contained in an information sheet that has been passed on to parents via class communication. If you have not received this information and require it please contact the office or find the fact sheet on the school webpage under forms and documents. If you have any concerns please seek medical advice.

Dr Joe……our visiting scientist!

Next Friday 13 November, we welcome Dr Joe to our school for our final incursion for 2015. Dr Joe will present a science inquiry show for our students. This incursion is included in the SRS. Dr Joe has a love of everything science and will also have his books on sale while he is at the school. If you would like to learn more about Dr Joe please visit his website www.DrJoe.id.au Dr Joe will have his books for sale before school on the day please check his website for titles and costs. Cash will be accepted on the day.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS**

FERNY GROVE STATE SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM INFORMATION NIGHT

There is a very important meeting for new parents who will have children in our Instrumental Music Program as part of the Ferny Grove Cluster of schools at Ferny Grove State School Hall, Firnway Street, Ferny Grove on Thursday 5 November at 6.00 pm.

***PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ENROLMENT FORMS ARE RETURNED TO OUR SCHOOL OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER***

FINAL MUSIC CONCERT - TUESDAY 24 NOVEMBER

As previously advised in our school newsletter, Our strings and band groups will be participating in their final music concert on Tuesday 24 November at 4.00pm at Mitchelton State School Hall. Notes will be sent home to our students about this during this week coming week.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILDREN ARE REMEMBERING TO PRACTISE ON THE DAYS THAT THEY EAT!!! EVERYDAY!!!!

***ALL WOODWIND, BRASS AND PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS NEED TO BE RETURNED TO MRS HALL ON THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER***

Congratulations to all of our string, band, choir and of COURSE Mrs Rossouw for their fantastic work as part of the GOLD assembly last Thursday!!! Bravo!!!

For all string queries contact Jamie-Lee Melvin at jmel0@eq.edu.au
For all band queries contact Penny Hall at phall35@eq.edu.au
For all classroom music queries contact Annie Rossouw at anns172@eq.edu.au

Viva la musical!

**LIBRARY LEXICON**

Just a reminder to those students who were awarded a $10 book voucher to choose and donate a book to the library that the books have arrived and are ready to borrow. Part of the prize was for the recipients to be the first to borrow the book and will be interviewed about their thoughts. We look forward to seeing the winners in the library.

**Problem Solving at Grovely:** As you are aware that Grovely uses Polya’s 4 steps to problem solving approach and one of the strategies that we have been using with teachers in the class rooms to date is the multi step approach. This is used when problems or questions need to be broken down into steps to find the final solution. This template allows students to break a problem into manageable parts and allows to simplify problems for them.

The answer for the last problem: This problem needed to be worked backward from the end to find the answer. So, starting with Dad (54) and minus 5 years for mum. 54 - 5 = 49. Then, divide 54 by 3 as the brother is 3 times younger. So, 54 / 3 = 18. The brother is 18 years old and finally, I am 2/3’s my brother’s age, which is 18. So, 18 / 3 = 6 then multiply by 2 = 12. Therefore, my age is 12, my mum is 49 and my brother is 18.

This week’s problem: Leo has $4522.08 in his bank account. He deposits another $875.50 and then withdraws $300 in cash to pay the electricity bill. How much does he have left in his bank account?

**HEALTHSTREAM SWIMMING LESSONS**

Yes, it’s that time again and we are re-opened for Healthstream swimming lessons at the Grovely Pool. Lessons are held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons with more days to come soon. Cost will be $13 a lesson or 10 lessons for $130. Booking is easy, phone 3236 9039 or email healthstreampool@belgravialeisure.com.au

We now have Facebook- please like us so we can keep you updated with the latest news and events

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Healthstream-QUT-Aquatic-Centre/450892001756197

**SCHOOL BANKING**

**PRIZE DRAW – 29 October – 25 November**

Every deposit goes into the draw to win one of 6 prizes, drawn on 25 November.

**DOUBLE DOLLARITE DAY – 2 December**

Deposit $5.00 or more to receive 2 tokens instead of one. In order to receive 2 tokens we need to split the deposits, so your statement will show one deposit on 2/12/15 and the other deposit on 3/12/15.

Renee Hayes

**MITCHELTON STATE HIGH SCHOOL**

Enrolment Information

We are currently finalising enrolments and timetabling arrangements for our new Year 7 classes for 2016. Our Orientation Days, Monday 30 November and Tuesday 1 December are fast approaching and we pride ourselves on being organised and well planned for those days. Therefore, if you have a child yet to enrol or know of a family looking for a great secondary education, please ensure their enrolment process and interview is completed by the end of November. At Mitchelton State High School we accept ALL out-of-catchment enrolments across Years 7 to 12. Enrolling early ensures student subject choices are met and ensures children are well catered for in their start to high school. Please phone our school enrolment officers on 3550 1111 for an enrolment pack, interview or to organise a school tour.

**GROVELY GROWERS**

Grovely Growers will be on a Local Matters jar at Grill’d Everton Park this November. Spread the word to your members, family and friends and encourage them to head into Grill’d Everton Park during November to help support your group. The group with the most tokens in their jar at the end of the month is the winner of the $300 – so the more people that come in and put a token in your jar, the better your chances of winning.
Student Resource Scheme 2015
There are families who elected to join the scheme earlier this year but still owe the full balance or have a remaining balance owing. A letter was sent home detailing outstanding amounts last Friday. These fees are now overdue and require immediate payment.

2015 Montessori Fees Outstanding
Unfortunately there are still families who have not paid in full their 2015 Montessori Fees. A letter and statement were sent home last week detailing the outstanding balances. These fees are now overdue and require immediate payment.

Fees now due
All outstanding fees must be paid prior to attending the upcoming excursions.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

ZUMBA – There will be no Friday morning classes for the remainder of 2015. Classes will remain as normal on Monday mornings at 9.15am. Everyone welcome to attend. $7 per class with the net proceeds from each class donated to the school Chaplaincy program. For more information, please contact Narelle McDowall on 0408 716 503 or narelle.mc dowall@gmail.com

GROVELY PLANT SALE is being held this Saturday 7 November from 9am-12pm at Grovely Nursery (TAFE), Dawson Parade, Keperra. Parking available via Woking Street entrance, cash or EFTPOS payments accepted. Call 137248 for more information.

WALK ‘N WHEELS will be one of many events taking place across Australia to raise awareness for White Ribbon Day (25 November), the UN Day for the elimination of violence against women. The event will be held on Saturday 21 November from 10am-1pm with registration and event at the Ferny Grove State School with the BBQ to be held at Ferny Grove Shopping Village across from the school. $2.00 donation can be paid on the day. It is anticipated a number of parliamentarians, sporting identities, local community groups, community leaders, schools, families and people from all walks of life will attend. Register at ferny.grove@parliament.qld.gov.au , in person at Mark Furner’s Office or phone 3535 7100. Everyone is welcome to participate.

JUST FOR KIDS (JFK) is held each Thursday afternoon 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.

5 November Superheroes 12 November Surprise For more information, contact Meralda on 0401 012 615 or Chris on 0419 820 810.

HOMEWORK CLUB is held each Tuesday from 3-4.30pm at Grovely Christian Church (see above). Contact Chris on 0419 820 810 or check out www.grovelychurch.org.au

FERNY GROVE SHS UNIFORM INFORMATION – YEAR 7, 2016 - The Uniform Store & Second Hand Uniform Store are open 7.30-9.00am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. There are extended trading hours for November 2015, December 2015 and January 2016. Please check the school website for more details or call 3550 5767.

PURE TENNIS ACADEMY offers tennis lessons each Thursday morning before school. Term 4 lessons have already commenced, call 3851 0444 for information or BOOK ONLINE @ fernyhills.puretennis.com.au

WILDFIRE EMERGENCIES – 1300 264 625 / 1300 ANIMAL Acts of cruelty or neglect - RSPCA Inspectorate 3426 9971 or 1300 852 188, DPI call centre 3289 3111 or your local police station. Sick or injured stray animals - RSPCA Animal Ambulance 3426 9971 or 1300 852 188.

24 Hour Call Centre – 3426 9999

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HAVE YOU ENROLLED YOUR CHILD FOR PREP 2016?