Dates to Remember

Term 3 (11 July – 16 September)

Week 9 (05/09/16 – 11/09/16)
06/09/16 – 07/09/16 Year 3 Underwater World Sleepover
07/09/16 Debating at Kilcoy S.S.

Week 10 (12/09/16 – 18/09/16)
13/09/16 Year 6 Banyak Suka Excursion
15/09/16 Science Day

Term 4 (4 October – 9 December)

Week 1 (03/10/16 – 09/10/16)
03/10/16 Public Holiday Queens Birthday
04/10/16 Return to School
05/10/16 – 07/10/16 Year 5 Leadership Camp

Week 2 (10/10/16 – 16/10/16)
14/10/16 Swimming Begins Breast Cancer Day – Morning Tea

Week 3 (17/10/16 – 23/10/16)
17/10/16 Pupil Free Day

Week 4 (24/10/16 – 30/10/16)
24/10/16 P&C Meeting
28/10/16 Day for Daniel

Week 5 (31/10/16 – 06/11/16)
01/11/16 Melbourne Cup Day 2017 Leadership Nominations
03/11/16 Raw Art

Week 6 (07/11/16 – 13/11/16)
11/11/16 Remembrance Day Nude Food

Week 7 (14/11/16 – 20/11/16)
14/11/16 – 18/11/16 Book Fair
14/11/16 2017 Leadership Nominations Due

Week 8 (21/11/16 – 27/11/16)
28/11/16 November Day
30/11/16 Swimming Carnival
01/12/16 2017 Leadership Speeches

Student Absence Line
07 5434 6366
If your child/ren are away from school please call the absence line
OR
Send in a written note

Message from the Principal

**Student Attendance**

Our School’s Goal is to exceed 95% Attendance.

At Delaneys Creek State School staff, parents and students value the high quality education programs we offer. I have outlined our attendance figures for week 7 in term 3, which indicate our students find their learning environment stimulating, enjoyable and nurturing.

Regional expectation for attendance is 93%.

Week 7 attendance at our school is:

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We are aiming for 0% Unexplained Absences, and I thank you for contacting the school through the school absence line or sending in a written note when your child is absent.

**School Review**

To help Queensland State Schools continue to lift their performance and improve outcomes for students, tailored school reviews were introduced in 2015 and conducted by the School Improvement Unit. The reviews replace the teaching and learning audits and will ensure that every school gets the support it needs.

Every State School, including independent public schools, will be reviewed at least every four years. Our school will have our school review in 2018. This review will assist us in determining the direction and focus areas for our school to concentrate on over the next four years. We will be beginning to seek information from the wider school community during 2017 leading up to this review.

**Father’s Day Stall**

Thank you to our dedicated P & C volunteers for organising and running the Father’s Day Stall last week. I hope all carers enjoyed their gifts.

**7 Steps in Writing**

Our students have learnt how a piece of writing should have a sizzling start (interesting introduction) and how important it is to develop the tension throughout a piece of writing. Writers do not just state facts but build momentum throughout their writing by, starting strong and ending with impact by saving the best argument or fact until the end of the writing.

We often refer to this build-up of tension through our ideas as pebbles, bricks and boulders with the ideas getting bigger and more exciting as our writing progresses.

How can you help your child? Next time you watch a movie, cartoon or read a chapter analyse it together to see how the tension and excitement grows. This will help reinforce to children what tightening tension means.

Yours in Education, Anita Judge, Principal
School Wide Positive Behaviour Support
The focus for Week 9 & 10 is:
“Work Tough”- Be An Achiever
Give all tasks a good go. Do the very best job that you can. Ask for help if you are not sure of something.

Congratulations Class Peg Weekly Winners:
Week 7: Year 3  Week 8: Prep

Playgroup
Playgroup commenced Monday July 18. It operates every Monday morning between 9.00am and 10.00am in the Prep building.
The 2016 Prep class attend library lessons during this time, which allows Mrs Buss (our Prep teacher) and Mrs Wade (our prep teacher aide) to run fun, educational and hands on activities with the parents/caregivers and children who attend playgroup.

There is a one off cost of $5 to join the playgroup and a weekly gold coin cost to cover costs of materials. Please share this information with anyone you may know who has non-school aged children.

Woodford Village Hotel/Motel

Parent Direct and Chalk Toy Catalogues
Friendly Reminder
Delaneys Creek School Prep, class sent home ‘Parent Direct’ and ‘Chalk’ catalogues; they are two different catalogues and are both filled with educational toys and games that make great gifts.

This is an easy way to get started on your Christmas shopping and support your school at the same time. ‘Parent Direct’ and ‘Chalk’ issues us with a fundraising voucher for 20% of the value of orders.

We use the fundraising Vouchers to purchase much needed resources.

Every order helps, no matter how big or small. Our goal is to get 20 orders.

We would appreciate your support and ask that you return your order form and payment to the school by Wednesday 5th October 2016. (First Week of Term 4)

Payment: – You can pay by credit card.
(Details on Order Form in middle of Catalogue)
Cheques/Money Orders made payable to: -
Chalk Pty Ltd
Parent Direct Pty Ltd

Please make separate payments for each company.

We cannot accept cash. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Thank you for your support!
Delaneys Creek State School Prep
Kerry Buss & Karen Wade

Tuckshop
A BIG Thankyou to Angela and Kim for filling in for tuckshop during the two weeks our tuckshop volunteers were unable to run the Tuckshop.
And to the tuckshop volunteers who show up every week.
Our school community is extremely grateful for the valuable work you do.

Year 2 Science – Grass Heads
Year 3 Science – Olympic Alfoil Shadows

C&K Open Week Celebration
The Woodford Kindergarten is having an open day so families who are considering enrolling their child in a kindergarten program can come and see the kindergarten and meet the teaching staff.
Details:
12pm-2pm, Saturday, 10th of SEPTEMBER 2016
Woodford Kindergarten, 9 Peterson Rd
Come and explore our wonderful Kindergarten and meet the teachers.
Taking enrolments for 2017 now.

Register for Prep now! Don’t wait.
It is essential that parents register their child for Prep in 2017. This will ensure their child is involved in Prep orientation sessions, visits and activities, prior to the start of the school year in 2017.

If the school does not have parent’s/care giver’s phone numbers or email addresses, we may be unaware that your child is coming to Delaneys Creek in 2017.

Registration can be completed in a one minute phone call (Ph. 5434 6333) or an email to msharp48@eq.edu.au.

Get Set For Prep
If you would like to know more about Prep, we invite you to attend a parent information session from 9:00am (for a 9:15am start) – 10:00am on the following dates:
- Term 4 – Thursday 3rd November 2016

Parents will: Learn more about the Prep curriculum; meet the leadership and teaching staff; visit the Prep classrooms and have questions answered. Please phone the school to confirm your attendance: 07 5434 6333.
If you know a family in the area that has a child eligible for prep in 2017, please encourage them to contact the school.

Starting Prep in 2017
Tip 1: Getting your Child Ready for Reading!
Talking to and doing things with your child does make a difference to their understanding of words and prepares them for their first formal year of schooling.
Try one of these ideas when you are planning to go and visit friends:
- **Use a calendar** to mark the date of the visit:
  - talk about how long till the visit;
  - discuss what day of the week you will be visiting;
  - re-visit the calendar and count down how many days till the visit.
- **Talk about the visit** - take turns discussing the visit by asking questions and waiting for answers: “Do you remember where they live?” “What will we see on the way?” “I wonder who will be there.” “What should we take with us?”
- **Look at how best to get there**; electronic map; street directory; bus or train timetable (printed or electronic).
- **Cook a surprise treat** and talk about the amount you will need to take.
- **Predict the weather** and choose the clothes you will wear. Discuss this choice on the day.
- **Talk about the route** as you are travelling – things that might be on the left, right, behind, near your car/bus.

Parent Ready Readers Program & Delaneys Creek State School

Windows of Woodford Project
The Windows of Woodford project is about the beautification of the town of Woodford. It involves creating artwork on light poles, decorating the water tower, toilet block and creating a walk through the town. I am coordinator for the Woodford Walk part of the project. The Woodford Walk is the creation of 10 information markers with information about the region. Each marker will have a mosaic insert created by residents. With only 14 places available, we are inviting members of key community groups to be represented. We would like to invite a representative of Delaneys Creek State School to be involved. This member would be a teacher, teacher aide or PC representative etc.
The workshop is on September 17 and 18 at Open Spaces. It will be from 10 - 4 on Sat and 10 - 2 on Sunday. Sunday is only required if the work is unfinished the day before. It’s FREE.
Could you let me know ASAP if anyone is interested. Phone Luisa Garcia on 0411 862 631.

Thanks for your time.

Luisa Garcia
What is "Quasquicentennial" in 2017?

One answer is Delaneys Creek State School. “Quasquicentennial” is used to describe a 125th anniversary. The word means “one and a quarter,” and centennial. In 2017 the school will have been open for 125 years.

I would like to invite past and present parents to work with the school community to plan our 125th celebration in 2017.

Please contact the school or send me an email (amead1@eq.edu.au) if you are interested in participating in the planning for our 125 year celebrations.

P&C News

Delaneys Creek SS P & C are excited to offer a sports shirt as part of our school uniform. After consultation with the school community, an optional sports shirt has been designed for the students.

![Sports Shirt Image]

Students can choose to wear this shirt to school on days they have PE, sports day, cross country or when representing the school off campus in extra curricula activities.

As the uniform shop will not hold stock for these shirts, parent and care givers will need to order the shirts when the bi-annual large stock orders are placed. Payment will be required at the time of ordering. Large stock orders are completed late November/early December and July. If demand for the shirt exists at other times of the year, additional orders will be placed in lots of 20.

These shirts are manufactured by the same company who makes our traditional school polo. The manufactures suggest you order one size larger than your traditional school polo. E.g. If your child is a size 6 in a school polo order a size 8 in the sports shirt.

Keep an eye on Facebook or the P & C notice board for dates when orders are being taken and size samples are in the office.

This shirt is ‘sublimated’ and the material is similar to the year 6 shirts. They will cost $40 each.

Order Forms are available from the Office.

Student Carnival

Wow! How great was our student carnival this year! Fairy floss, popcorn, cream pie throwing at Mrs Judge, radar gun with Constable Shane, lollypop throw, face painting, to name just a few of the exciting fun filled activities the students enjoyed. A massive thank you to all our supporters, suppliers, volunteers and helpers who made the day successful.