Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As another year comes to a close I would like to thank the community for all the support given throughout 2016. To all the parents and community volunteers that come into our school to assist students with their learning, we say thank you. Your effort and support given to students, assists our teachers in ensuring that at Capella State School every child can learn and every child can achieve.

The 2016 school year finishes this Friday 9th December at 3.00pm. School re-commences on Monday 23rd January 2017. The office will be open for any new enrolments from Monday 16th January 2017.

School Watch

We need everyone to look out for after-hours crime in our school. No one can access the school grounds after hours without written permission from the Principal.

If you see anything suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene.

Call the School Watch number - 131 788.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools. Let's work together to help create a safer school community.

Commencement of 2017

At the commencement of 2017 there will be a new process for students when arriving at school in the morning. Please note that there is no supervision for students provided prior to 8.30am. When students arrive at school they shall be instructed to sit in the Senior Undercover area with their bags until the bell goes at 8.40am. The teacher on duty (from 8.30-8.40am) shall dismiss one class at a time when the bell rings. It is hopeful that this will ensure that students enter the classroom in a calm manner ready for learning. Your support in implementing this process would be greatly appreciated.

Principal’s Assembly Term 4

The Principal’s assembly for Term 4 was held on Monday 28th November. It was wonderful to see so many children’s achievements throughout Term 4 being recognised by way of receiving a Principal’s certificate. Many students and parents attended the morning tea following the assembly and it was lovely to have a cup of coffee and chat to parents.

Transition Assembly

The transition assembly was held yesterday on Monday 5th December. Class rolls for 2017 were announced and students accompanied their teachers to their respective classrooms. The assembly was successful and it is hoped that now students are aware of their teacher for 2017, class members and the location of their classroom, it will alleviate any anxiety over the holidays.
Attendance – Everyday Counts
A reminder to parents that “Everyday Counts”. This is a vital part of the year as students have commenced assessment tasks for Semester Two report cards that shall be distributed later in the term. Our attendance from Semester One was 93% and it would fantastic to be achieve a higher percentage in Semester 2. Can parents please ensure that students are at school prior to the bell at 8.40am and ready to learn? Your support in raising our attendance rates would be greatly appreciated.

Interesting Fact Re Attendance
If your child is half an hour (30 minutes) late each day this equates to half a day per week that adds up to 4 weeks per year. This time over 13 years of schooling totals nearly 1½ years of absence. Lots of missed learning time!!

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is a comprehensive, integrated whole school approach to student wellbeing and behaviour. PBL is a process that supports school leadership teams to create positive learning environments that enable student learning and wellbeing.

The behaviour focus for Week 9 and Week 10 is to be an “All Rounder” and follow the 4 B's of:

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Safe
- Be a Learner

Teachers shall be discussing these ‘Behavioural Expectations’ with students in the classroom and it will also be addressed each week on parade. The process of following up with students after assembly is a vital link in ensuring that the children are aware of the focus and what that entails. Parents can assist by talking with their children re what the Behavioural Expectation is for the week (please check in after assembly on a Monday) and then revisit what role your child/children play in assuring a successful outcome.

Your support in this matter will ensure that we have a clear message re behavioural expectations both at home and at school.

I hope you all have a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. I look forward to working with the Capella community throughout 2017 to ensure that every child succeeds.

Kind regards
Trish Wilmott

The upcoming school holidays provides a great opportunity for you to read with your children. Research supports the theory that parents’ engagement in educating children has great merit and potentially can result in improved academic achievement. It is for this very reason that our school has developed a Website, that aims to help parents to get the most out of reading time with their child. The strategies can be applied to all age levels and is easy enough for students in the older years to use independently. All feedback regarding our Reading Site is welcomed through the Contact section on the Website.

http://ripperreader.wixsite.com/capella
Principals Awards
Term 4
2017 Lunch Boxes

From Term 1, 2017 all students will be required to keep their food in the fridge during school hours, this ensures food is kept at a safe temperature. In order to keep food out of the food danger zone we are asking for all students to have a plastic lunch box to place in the fridge. Insulated lunchboxes are ineffective and counterproductive when placed into the fridge. As student health is a priority, students will be required to take their food out of insulated lunchboxes when placing their food in the fridge.

We look forward to working with you to keep our students healthy and safe.

Kind Regards -
Capella State School
Health and Safety Team

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The TUCK SHOP will be CLOSED on FRIDAY 9TH December!!

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IMPORTANT NOTICE - Electronic Newsletter Only in 2017

In 2017 the school has made a decision that newsletters will only be available via either e-mail or from our website. Please return the slip below with your preferred e-mail address. Our newsletter is also available from our website https://capellass.eq.edu.au.

For those who are unable to access our newsletter at all you may come to collect a paper copy from the office on newsletter days (Tuesday afternoon weeks 2-10 of each term).

Thank - you

Surname: ___________________________ Student/s: ___________________________

Preferred email address for electronic newsletter ____________________________
Congratulations Year 3

During Semester Two, Grade Three entered an annual art and language contest called *Art Speaks Japanese Comes Alive* for students of school-levels studying Japanese. We created a class display of artworks inspired by the Art Speaks Japanese collection of the Art Gallery of NSW.

Jonathan Wilson, Community Programs Producer (ART GALLERY OF NEW SOUTH WALES) quotes:
“The 2016 entries were fun, unique and fantastic. The range of Japanese script throughout all of the works was exceptional. Also of note was the Year 3 entry from Capella State School in Queensland. For this installation and display, it was great to see such positive and fun energy being expressed by the young students.”

The 2016 winners were announced on 15th November, Grade 3 received a certificate of Special Mention in the Primary Years Division (Yrs. 3-6) of the National 2016 Art Contest. We are very proud of our achievements and wished to share our success with the community.

Miss Arrow
2016

Awards Evening

An invitation is extended to

Capella State School Community

to attend the

Capella State School
Awards Evening

to be held at

Capella Cultural Centre

on

Wednesday, 7th December 2016

commencing at 6.30 pm

Please bring a plate for a shared supper in the courtyard
at the completion of the formal proceedings

We look forward to your company
P&C Post

Another year over! And it has been another successful one. In 2016, the P&C saw a host of new volunteers join our ranks – for this I am extremely grateful and I hope those new parents have found it an enjoyable and worthy cause to be a part of. Our financial goals this year have focused on saving as much as possible for a shade structure over the junior playground. I’m happy to report that we are now half way to that goal! The whole project will cost approx. $40,000 and through hard work and many fundraisers this year and last, we have been able to put aside $20,000 to make the junior playground sun safe. Thankyou to everyone in the school community who has attended our fundraisers, helped on stalls, baked, picked up rubbish, cooked bbqs or cleaned up. These events are not successful without your support and the whole-school involvement so THANKYOU!

I would also like to thank my executive committee, Phil Young, Lara Brown and Naomi Randles for their tireless efforts this year as well as Helen Davie for her immense work with the tuckshop accounts and Lorraine Andersen for running the tuckshop so beautifully this year. 2017 will see a few positions become available on the committee so please consider volunteering for a position and help continue the great school that we have here at Capella. You don’t need a lot of experience, just a willing spirit. 2017 is also the school’s turn to organise Christmas In July, for which we are looking for a stalls co-ordinator and event organiser. Please contact me if you would like to throw yourself into either of these roles.

Finally, it is with immense gratitude that I thank the Capella Bowls Club for their generous donation to our P&C in recent months. Lara and I were invited to attend their final meeting and were presented with a generous donation of over $131,000. Yes, you read that correctly. No I didn’t accidentally put in an extra 0! This money will go towards enclosing the covered play structure in the senior playground, to enable our school to have a weather-tight facility for sports, whole-school events, assemblies, and other functions. The school has applied for govt grants to make this endeavour feasible. This is of course, a long-term goal but to know we have the money to fund such a project is incredibly uplifting. Words can’t adequately express enough thanks to the Capella Bowls Club for their incredible gift. Thankyou from the whole-school community – this money will benefit students for generations to come.

I wish you all a happy Christmas and a wonderful holiday!

2017 Meetings: Monday 13th February, 7pm
AGM – Monday 13th March, 7pm

Warm regards,

Bev Cowan
Dive in MOVIE Night

@CAPPELLA AQUATIC CENTRE

GET SANTA

14TH DECEMBER @ 7.30PM

$6 Entry – Group & Family discounts apply

FULL CAFÉ FACILITIES AVAILABLE

BYO FLOATIES
Holiday Fun
@ Capella Library

Ozobots
For children aged 8+ years.
Friday 16th December
Tuesday 20th December
3:00 — 4:30 p.m.
Limited numbers.
Please call to book a place.
FREE

MEET the ozobot

WHAT IS IT?
Ozobot is a miniature robot that follows your commands.

WHAT DOES IT DO?
- Ozobot follows lines
- Ozobot can see colors
- Ozobot follows your commands
- Ozobot can race and even dance!

HOW DOES IT WORK?
There are five sensors on the bottom of Ozobot. These are Ozobot's eyes.
Ozobot’s eyes can read colour code commands that look like this:

HOW DO I GET STARTED?
All you need to start using Ozobot is a set of coloured markers, some paper, and your imagination! Draw a path, switch Ozobot on and watch it go!

Christmas Craft
For kids

Come and visit us before Christmas
and see all our Christmas crafts.
GOLD COIN for each craft.

Make a STAR BOOK
Wednesday 11 & 18 Jan.
2.30pm

Please book if interested on 4984 9650.
Limited to 7 per session.
Cost $5.00
Age of children 8+ years.
If you are wanting to add your own photos, please bring them along.

Other Library activities include:
- Jigsaw
- Board games
- Colouring
- Xbox
- Marble run
- Train set
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Check Movie Times in C.O. News and on info line 49849540. Movie times are subject to change without notice. Eftpos Available.