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# newsletter

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## PRINCIPAL'S PATTTER

### FUNDRAISING

*Congratulations to our P&C volunteers who helped park EKKA traffic on our oval each morning for the annual RNA show. Filling our field for fund-raising is fabulously fortuitous; where else in the wide State of Queensland would we waise funds for such a wonderfully wholesome activity?*

*Our P&C President (and Parking Co-ordinator) Wendy, and Parking Guru Gary were there every day to park the regulars, and chaperone the bewildered to their special spot on our grounds. An able team of volunteers and workers helped make the parking a safe and positive event, and as school Principal I can't thank them enough for their generosity in this matter.*

### BACK TO BUSINESS - FAREWELL TO ILLNESS AND LATENESS

Please make sure you are ready for class by 5 minutes to 9:00 am.

We have had a tough month for health events, with influenza and tummy bug cases, and extended families affected as we took care of each other. This, combined with holidays has interrupted programmes a little, and though the winter season is not quite over yet, we have enough students and staff at school each day to have programmes running on time again.

Well done to the many staff, students and families doing so well in keeping healthy. Lots of it is a matter of luck, but we have improved the odds of staying healthy by keeping up the good work of maintaining good hygiene practices, and bringing everyone back to good health.

Thank You  
Matt Taylor

# DATE-CLAIMERS

<b>Wednesday August 12</b>	<b>EKKA Show Day Holiday</b>
<b>21st August:</b>	<b>Constable Angela – Adopt-a-cop visit</b>
<b>24th August:</b>	<b>Partners for Success Community meeting – All indigenous community members and supporters welcome!</b>
<b>Tuesday August 25</b>	<b>Nudgee Beach Science Excursion (for a pair of our senior students)</b>
<b>25th August:</b>	<b>Nudgee Beach Science Excursion (for a pair of our senior students)</b>
<b>Wednesday August 26</b>	<b>Support-a-Reader training 9:15am – 11:00am</b>
<b>27th August:</b>	<b>Book Week Celebrations– Book Safari in the Library 12:00 pm, parents welcome! Thanks Kimberley for the way the library looks!</b>
<b>Tuesday September 1</b>	<b>P&amp;C Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday September 9</b>	<b>Support-a-Reader training 9:15am – 11:00am</b>
<b>15th September:</b>	<b>‘Three Little Pigs’ Student Show 5:30-7:00 pm, ‘The Basement Theatre’, Bottom Floor of the school. Tickets on sale soon.</b>
<b>15th September:</b>	<b>Nundah Festival Art Competition</b>
<b>18th September:</b>	<b>Last Day of Term 3</b>
<b>5th October:</b>	<b>First Day of Term 4</b>
<b>19th October:</b>	<b>Pupil-free Day</b>

# SCHOOL OF ROCK

<p>Practice for <b>everyone</b> this week - ‘The Lion Sleeps Tonight’.</p> <p>Practice for <b>singers</b> this week - ‘a-weee-um-um-away’.</p> <p>Practice for <b>drummers</b> ‘ti-ti-ti-ti-ta ta ta ta’.</p>	<p>G-chord</p>	<p>D-chord</p>	<p>A7-chord</p>
The Lion Sleeps Tonight			
D                    G                    D                    A7			
In the jungle, the mighty jungle, the lion sleeps tonight			
D                    G                    D                    A7			
In the jungle, the quiet jungle, the lion sleeps tonight			

## EASY ACTIVITY FEES!

Now we can all pay fees straight into our school account! While Tracey is always available on Wednesday mornings to collect fees, it can also be done through your online banking arrangements. Remember to email Tracey payment confirmation, and thanks for your help.

**Branch: Fortitude Valley QLD BSB: 064-002 Account No.: 00091274**

## Parents and Citizens Association News

### BUDGET

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September the P&C will be discussing the programme and budget for the next 12 months following the bulk of our fundraising with parking.

Remember that P&C membership lapses if you miss three meetings without apology, and of course you need to attend meetings to become members so you can vote and make decisions! Budget activity proposals we will be discussing include

- OSHC services
- Commercial advertising to increase enrolment
- Supporting Student Activities - further proposals developed of the year
- Sustainable Fundraising Models - Paid Parking Workers
- Term 4 Excursions - Planetarium, trip to Mars or Phobos.



## Senior Class News

### PARENT HELP WITH COSTUMES

Senior students have done a great job at learning their lines, and now they're beginning their costume, set and props design and construction. If you can help children with costume materials and construction at home, they would greatly appreciate your expertise.

## ROAD SAFETY FOR STUDENTS

Ensuring your child has basic road safety skills goes a long way to making sure they get to school safely.

You are your child's best road safety teacher. By setting a good example when you are out and about, your child will feel more confident when walking to school.

There are some simple things to remember when walking to school:

- Young children should always be accompanied by an adult.
- Parents walking with primary school aged children should point out the dangers and discuss important road safety actions such as crossing roads, watching for traffic and other safe pedestrian behaviour.
- Show your child the safest route to and from school – this is usually the way with the least traffic and the fewest roads to cross.
- Encourage your child to cross roads where there are traffic lights or a school crossing supervisor.
- Teach your child the 'stop, look, listen and think' principle – stop at the kerb, look right, look left, look right again, listen for any oncoming cars and think "is it safe to cross?" before crossing.

For more information about keeping your children safe on the roads, visit the Queensland Transport website at: [www.transport.qld.gov.au/home/safety/road/school/](http://www.transport.qld.gov.au/home/safety/road/school/)

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