From the Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back for what is to be a very exciting term ahead. I hope everyone had a lovely time with their children over the break and managed to enjoy some family time during the bright and sunny, winter days. With many things scheduled for the term ahead this week’s newsletter is your opportunity to find out (ahead of time) the details of each event coming up.

Classroom Blitz

These have certainly been the buzz words over the last few days! As parents ourselves, we know the challenge it can be getting children out of bed on these cold, winter mornings. So this term we intend giving our student the best motivation possible to be at school, on time, in uniform, doing their best and engaged in their learning.

We are calling this the “Classroom Blitz Program”. As well as the above, the aim of the program is to promote camaraderie into each of the classes as they work together as a team to achieve a goal. The best news is that EVERY student gets to participate in the weekly reward!

How does it work?

Each day members of the leadership team will visit classrooms to monitor the following at random:

- **Student Attendance** – a point for every student in attendance on that day
- **Uniform** – a point for every student in full school uniform for that day
- **Behaviour Daily Zone Chart Levels** – at the end of the school day, 3 points for every student on the blue zone, 2 for purple and 1 for green.
- **Student Punctuality** – a point for every student who was at school by the first bell.
- **Homework** – a point for every student who has done their homework.
- **Bookwork** – a point for every student who has neat and tidy bookwork.
- **Red Cards in week** – a point for every student who had not received a red card that day.
- **Blue Cards in Week** – 2 points for every student who has received a blue card that day.

The key word here is ‘*random*’ as try to encourage student adherence to **ALL** of the above. This is a very positive program in that it is recognising and rewarding our students for their great effort beyond behaviour and academic results.

Each Friday morning Mrs Austin will announce the “**Blitz Class of the Week**”. The winning class for that week then gets to choose the theme for the following “Fun Friday”. Classes can come up with a range of themes including crazy socks, crazy hair, student disco, extended play time free dress day – the more creative and innovative the better! We are looking forward to seeing what different classes come up with each week!

The following Monday at assembly Mrs Austin will announce the “Blitz Class of the Week” and invite either the teachers or students reps from the winning class to announce to the whole assembly what the theme for “Fun Friday” will be that week.

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Important Dates

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| 23 | District Athletics  
P&C Meeting @ 5.30pm |
| 24 | Beenleigh QUOTA  
Eisteddfod |
| 25 | District Athletics  
(Championship Day) |
| 29 | Book Fair Begins |
| 30 | Strings Workshop  
Parent Reading PD 1.30pm |
| 31 | Strings Workshop |
| **August** | |
| 1 | Book Fair Dress Up Day |
| 5 | Book Fair concludes  
Bonus Behaviour Day |
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This Week’s Fun Friday is...
The best news about our 'Classroom Blitz' program is the reward that ALL students will participate in on Fridays. This week our two top classes were Prep S led by Mrs Swadling and 2G led by Mrs Henderson. Together these two classes voted to have a student disco at the break times this Friday. Yes that's right - this Friday students will be invited to participate in our school disco. I can tell you there were MANY cheers in our classrooms today when the students were informed. We look forward to sharing our class of the week and 'theme for 'Fun Friday at next Monday’s whole school assembly.

New Chairs for Prep!
Many families may have noticed that we have had additional seating installed in the Prep and Year 1 eating area. All prep students will receive a special note in their report card packs on Friday of this week about how we intend using this new seating area.

Report Cards
This Friday all students will be issued with their Semester One report card. Each student envelope will contain:
- **Student Report Card**
- **Green Family Information Cards**: These family cards are updated annually. For many of you the details will remain unchanged and if this is the case you can simply write “unchanged” at the top of the green card.
- **Tuckshop Fairy Flyer**

District Athletics Day
All successful students from our Senior Athletics Carnival will be representing Loganholme SS at the next level of competition. The Beenleigh District Track and Field will be held at Windaroo State School on Wednesday July 23. All participating students have until **Friday July 18 to return all permission paperwork and fees to be eligible to compete.** Only those students who place in the top 3 at this carnival will then compete at the Beenleigh Championships Day on Friday July 25. We wish all competing athletes the best of luck.

Quota Beenleigh Eisteddfod
Our talented Band and String students will also be representing our school next week at the Quota Beenleigh Eisteddfod held at the Logan Entertainment Centre (LEC). This is just a reminder at all students are to meet Mrs Woodall at the entrance of the LEC by 8:15am All students will then return to school by 2:00pm by bus. We also would like to wish all instrumental students the best of luck in this competition.

Book Week 2014
We are very excited as we count down the days until our 2014 Book Week. There are so much fun filled activities organised we know the students are going to love it. This year’s theme is **“Catch the reading bug”** which is why we have organised Scholastic our **Book Fair Garden**. If you didn’t receive a flyer this week below are all the details you need.

**Book Fair**
- **When:** Tues July 29 – Mon August 4
- **Where:** iCentre
- **What:** Students get the opportunity to view and purchase a variety of books and stationery.

**Book Character Dress Up Day**
- **When:** Friday August 1
- **Where:** 1st Break in the Kingfisher Hall
- **What:** Students get dressed as their favourite book character. Prizes awarded to best dressed.

Student Intervention
At Loganholme State School we do all that we can to reinforce the partnership between school and home. Learning is much more effective if parents/carers are aware of the different ways children are learning at school so they can further support these efforts with similar experiences at home.

This term we are delighted to present a series of workshops designed to provide you with the knowledge and skills to further support your child’s reading development. These workshops are open to all parents and you are welcome to select which workshop/s suit your needs. To secure your spot at any of these workshops, please email rhest1@eq.edu.au to confirm your choice of date/s. Securing your booking ensures all workshops will be adequately catered for. Additional workshops will be published in next week’s newsletter.
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I look forward to working with you to support yourself and your child on their learning journey.

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All workshops will be held in the I-Centre and will begin at 1.30pm. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

School Rules and Values

**Value of the Week – Compassion**

Compassion is understanding and caring when someone is hurt or troubled, even if you don’t know them. It is wanting to help, even if all you can do is listen and say kind words. You forgive mistakes. You are a friend when someone needs a friend.

You practise compassion by:

- recognising and expressing appreciation for others' talents and skills
- putting others' needs before your own
- helping others because you want to
- listening and providing sympathy
- showing kindness without expecting rewards
- telling and showing others you care
- sharing
- recognising and helping those less fortunate than yourself
- trying to make the world a better place

**School Rule for the Week - We do not say things to hurt others**

You practise this by:

- apologising when you say something to hurt others feelings
- not say things about the way a person looks, sounds or dresses
- being patient with others and speaking politely when we are frustrated with them
- speaking calmly and quietly to others

New School Website

Our new school website is up and running. After a major overhaul, the new, exciting looking website is easier to navigate and find information about learning at Loganholme State School, newsletters, tuckshop menus, uniform shop and P&C information, school facilities and school events. The site is integrated with the Qschools app that is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from and about schools. So take the time to visit our new look website.

https://loganholmess.eq.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx

Apps of the Week

**Math is fun: Age 3-4 (FREE)**

This app teaches children through eight fun activities how to recognise numbers, to count, to order numbers and to manipulate shapes. Be sure to check out the other apps in the series created by Guillaume Joly.

**The Jungle Book – Story Reading for Kids (FREE for a limited time)**

The classic story, by Rudyard Kipling, of a little boy raised in the Indian jungle by wolves after fire destroyed his home-village, has been recreated into a beautifully illustrated interactive ebook. The wonderful sound effects and the professional narration help to create a familiar and engaging story telling atmosphere.

Kind regards
The Leadership Team
Little Kingfishers Playgroup

**Little Kingfishers**

Learn & Play
School Program
Children Aged 0—5 years
Join us on Mondays and Fridays
8.30am—10.30am
All Welcome to attend
See you there!!!

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**Prep 2015**

If your child is born between 1 July 2009 – 30 June 2010 then they are eligible to start Prep in 2015.

Limited places available with three classes for 2015 already filled.

Please collect an enrolment pack from the school.