FROM THE PRINCIPAL
August 8 2014

In times of great stress or adversity, it’s always best to keep busy, to plough your anger and your energy into something positive.

TUCKSHOP UPDATE
Last Friday a panel interviewed shortlisted candidates for the position of Tuck Shop Convenor. All interviewed candidates were of a particularly high standard and the decision making process was lengthy and passionately discussed. We are delighted to announce that Tina Dietz has been appointed as the new Tuck Shop Convenor. Tina was extremely positive throughout the interview and displayed a genuine passion for providing a healthy service to the Alexandra Hills State School Community.

Today a draft menu will be devised which will run for the remainder of Term 3. Throughout the trial, the school community and student leaders will have the opportunity to give feedback and suggestions on how to improve the menu which will be implemented in Term 4.

We have greatly appreciated the support and understanding of the school community as we have undertaken this recruitment process. We are confident that Tina will do a fantastic job and look forward to seeing the school community having access to a healthy and cost effective menu.

NATIONAL TREE DAY
Today, the Environmental Committee and students in Year 5-7 planted trees to celebrate National Tree Day. Students planted more than 60 native trees in the newly established garden between C Block and D Block. Not only will the garden be a beautiful feature, it is hoped that it will also be a sanctuary for local wildlife. A big thank you to Indigiscapes who have donated 100 plants to the school over the past fortnight, assisting Alexandra Hills State School to develop a beautiful, environmentally responsible learning environment and for our Groundsman Daniel who has done a tremendous amount of work preparing the grounds ready for the new gardens.

FANTASTIC SCHOOL DATA
Over the past week, I have had the opportunity to review Alexandra Hills State School’s preliminary NAPLAN data. It has been pleasing to see real growth across the board when comparing the school’s results with those of last year. The Year 3 data in particular was very good, indicating that the school is equal to or above the State average in all areas of assessment. It highlights the fact that the 4 year strategic plan (currently in its first year) is starting to map improvement and sets an exciting course for the next three years.

DRAFT UNIFORM POLICY
Next week a draft of the Alexandra Hills State School Uniform Policy will be sent home. Please take the time to look through the document and make notes where you feel appropriate. The draft uniform policy will be discussed in length at the next P&C meeting. We would encourage all interested parties to come along and have input into the final version of the uniform policy. At the end of the day, we all want our students to not only be in full school uniform, but also being proud to wear it. This document needs to be fully endorsed and supported by the school community to ensure a consistent implementation of the school uniform.

Enjoy your long weekend everyone; look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday.

Wayne
SCHOOL CAMP

A reminder to all parent/caregivers that the first payment for the 5/6/7 camp, is due.

Payment is $77.00 out of a total camp cost of $230.00.

The 2nd payment of $77.00 is due Friday August 29.

Student of the week

GETTING ALONG

PF  Dgypt
1/2WZ Mia
2C  Mason
3B  Lucinda
5D  Billy
5/6VN Adam
6PS  Bryson

NOTE: There will be NO SCHOOL BANKING next week.

SAVE THE DATE
Make up your team
AHSS—Trivia Night
Saturday 30 August
6 for 6.30pm
$10.00 per person
Strictly 6 per team
Bar operating
(NO byo alcohol)

"Free" Baseball Come & Try Day
Tomorrow Saturday 9th August
Time: 9am-12pm
Who: Open to boys & girls aged 5-14
Where: Redlands Rays Baseball Club: 20 Duncan Rd, Sheldon
What to wear: shorts, t-shirt, joggers, hat.
Free Sausage Sizzle & drinks for participants

Junior & Senior Baseball Sign On Days
9th & 16th August 10am - 2pm
U8(5yrs old)- seniors

We are also looking for new players in all age groups, U8 - Seniors, to play at the Redlands Rays Baseball Club next season. Come to our Come & Try Day, visit www.redlandsrays.com.au or go to our Facebook page www.facebook.com/RedlandsRays for more information.

Capalaba State College
OPEN DAY

Saturday 30 August

Looking for the best education for your child in Year 7 and 8 for 2015?

We invite parents/caregivers to our Open Day to view our facilities and ask questions

Meet the Principal and tour the College
Tours at 9am, 9.30am, 10am, 10.30am

Entry from Gate 3, Cultural Centre, School Road
(parking available on grounds)