FROM THE OFFICE

If you want to succeed you should strike out on new paths, rather than travel the worn paths of accepted success.

QUANDAMOOKA CAMP
This week senior indigenous students from Alexandra Hills State School travelled to Stradbroke Island to attend the annual 3 day Quandamooka Camp. The camp is a fantastic venue to highlight the rich and diverse culture of the Quandamooka people and includes dance, art, food and traditional stories and customs. Thank you to our P&C vice president Mere who attended the camp as our school representative; your willingness to supervise the students is greatly appreciated.

WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM
A reminder that the whole-school swimming program is on Monday. Please remember to pack your child/children’s swimming togs, towel and any other swimming equipment to ensure they do not have to just sit and watch the others swimming.

TUCK SHOP
On Wednesday, a new Tuck Shop menu was distributed. While it is still possible to purchase a meal deal, the school is returning to a menu format, presenting students with more choices. Tina has done a fantastic job creating a menu that is healthier, while James has gone over the numbers to ensure that it is as cost effective as possible. If you have any feedback on the menu, do not hesitate to talk to either Tina or myself. At the end of the day, we are looking at providing the best menu at the cheapest possible price. Any suggestions or reflections would be appreciated.

Day for Daniel
“Wear Red and Educate” is the theme of the Day for Daniel which aims to help empower our children to ‘Recognise, React and Report’ if they feel something is not right. On Friday (October 31), Alexandra Hills State School will be recognising Day for Daniel. Students are encouraged to wear red and will participate in activities aimed at keeping them safe.

2015
Over the last two weeks, we have had a steady stream of parents enrolling their children for 2015. It certainly is an exciting time for the school! What is most pleasing is that these parents are looking at the surrounding schools, comparing what is on offer and are selecting Alexandra Hills State School as their preferred option. With our new Math, English and Science being taught next year, along with the new whole-school programs being offered, there is no doubt that 2015 will be an exciting time for the whole school community.

I had a talk to a parent who is looking at leaving next year because a school was ‘giving away iPads’. It is very important that parents look carefully at what schools offer and the costs associated with their unique programs. One feature that our school prides itself on is that if we offer a program, we pay for it...no other school does this.

If you are thinking about leaving, please come in and see me first. Concerns about who will be teaching your child or who will be in your child’s class can be discussed and an informed decision can be made.

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P&C MORNING TEA OPEN DAY

On Wednesday October 29 at 9:30, Alexandra Hills State School will open its doors to host the P&C Morning Tea Open Day. This is designed to invite our existing parents (and any other interested parents looking at enrolling their child in 2015) to come along for a morning tea to catch up with community members and hear first-hand the exciting things that the P&C has done this year and what it is doing in 2015. The highlight of the morning will be a Principal Q&A session and a tour of the school. Parents can see first-hand the fantastic things that are happening at Alexandra Hills State School and see key initiatives such as the XO Laptop Program and the Literacy Step-Up Program in action. There is a lot to be proud of; we would love to see you there.

Have a great week everyone!

Wayne

The choir performed on parade.

Student of the Week

RESPECT

PREP    Mila
1R      Olivia
1/2WZ   Isabella
2C      Kohen
3B      Sarah-Jane
5D      Cameron
5/6VN   Lilly
6PS     Jordan