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Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Welcome to this week’s newsletter.

What a fantastic week this has been - our Artists in Residency for three days at Burpengary, the Annual Track and Field Carnival at Zammit Oval – many things to make us proud!! Details will be available in the next newsletter after the holidays, as at the time of printing these events are still under way!!

The school Term 3 Calendar is on the back of this newsletter – pop it on a fridge magnet for future reference!!

Spell-a-thon Cards were distributed to all students this week. This is a major fundraiser for the P&C and I encourage everybody to get involved and support the event. Children will be learning valuable work to help their English and all other Key Learning Areas, while they contribute as a team to a whole school community project. In 2014, the Spell-a-thon will support the purchase of:

1. Digital devices such as iPads, Laptops, Listening stations, and electronic microscopes that can now be used in every classroom space wirelessly!
2. Whiteboards in every classroom to avoid blackboard chalk dust and assist with digital projections; and
3. Grounds beautification.

As families may be purchasing new shoes during the holidays, or during Term 3, I stress the absolute importance of appropriate footwear for school. The school policy is plain black, lace-up shoes with no coloured writing, trim or accessories, (leather or vinyl preferred). Growing feet need a sturdy sole, good heel counter, arch support, and protection from hot spills, drops and garden tools. Note that now Science, HPE and the kitchen/garden program are undertaken extensively throughout all year groups in the school. Please see the Dress Code and Personal Appearance Policy with photos accompanying this mail-out, and stick rigidly to it when purchasing. This will avoid any waste of money for you as a family by purchasing inappropriate clothes or shoes that do not meet the school dress standards.

Keep a watch on our school these holidays: We need you to look out for after-hours crime at our school. If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number –13 17 88 – and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Reminder that our P&C Association agreed at the June meeting to run a School Fete again next year in September, 2015. They have put out a general enquiry for any parents interested in supporting this venture to express their interest to the P&C Executive or through the school office no later than Tuesday, July 15. From that group, a small working party of 5 people will be established to oversee the running of the event. If any parent has any questions about this matter, do not hesitate to contact Mr Wayne Summersford on 0418 881 857. Please note the next P&C meeting is out of cycle on Monday, July 21 due to the holiday period. The next Parent-Admin Chat is on Tuesday, July 22 at 9.30am.

What a brilliant Semester it has been! Hard work, success stories, trials requiring resilience – it has all been there!!

All the best wishes for a safe and happy holiday.

Please note that school resumes on MONDAY, July 14.

To other news...

1. **Tuckshop News:** Tuesday Meal Deal next week for Flexischool orders only ($4.50) consists of a ham and pineapple pizza slab, choc chip muffin, and a small juice popper. Thursday is Popcorn day – bag of fresh plain popcorn $1.00 – please order (this is not an over-the-counter item). Please note Tuckshop is a cash only facility – EFTPOS is not available. **Flexischools Online Ordering** – [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) is the preferred option for ordering. Free to register, quick, easy and convenient. Tuckshop will be open every day next week.

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**Until next term**

**COMMUNITY NOTICES:** Throughout the June-July school holidays, Moreton Bay Regional Council is running the Active Kids School Holiday program, which aims to introduce children to new sports and skills in a fun, supportive and affordable atmosphere. These activities are delivered throughout the region, from Monday 30 June to Friday 11 July, from 9.00am till 10.00am. The sessions are delivered by experienced and qualified staff from organisations such as NRL Development, Bounce Tennis Academy, Moreton Bay Jets Football Club and Gymnastics Queensland. For more information phone 3205 0555 or visit [www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/schoolholidayfun](http://www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/schoolholidayfun).