Principal's Message

Welcome back to the new school term everyone. It's certainly a very wet and windy start. Hope everyone has recharged their batteries; ready for a great term of learning.

Staff Development Day
Yesterday our admin staff, support staff and teachers participated in an excellent day of learning at Vincentia High School. The focus was on the importance of positive mental health and wellbeing for everyone in the school community; staff, students and parents. All schools in the Bay and Basin Learning Community attended, with over 300 staff enjoying the day.

ANZAC Assembly – Thursday 2.00pm
This Thursday we will commemorate the centenary of ANZAC with an assembly at 2.00pm. At this stage we are very much in the hands of the weather. If the weather is suitable it will be conducted under the COLA. If the weather is unsuitable we will hold the assembly in Mr Vidler’s classroom.

Parent Teacher Interviews
These will be conducted during weeks 3 – 5 of this term. Your child’s class teacher will distribute interview appointment notes by next Monday.

Skoolbag
As advised last term the ‘Husky Star’ will very soon not be distributed by hard copy. It will be available on the App – Skoolbag and on our website. Limited copies are available from the main office if required. This is to reduce costs in paper, printing and admin labour.

District Cross Country
This will be held on Friday the 1st May at ‘Timberhills’ Tomerong. Our District Cross Country Team will be announced this week and notes distributed.

P&C Meeting
Last night’s meeting was cancelled due to the wet and windy weather. A new date will be advised soon.

School Entrance
During the holidays pram access to the school’s front entrance was widened to comply with the standards set by the Department of Roads and Maritime Services.

Toilet Facilities
The school has replaced all paper towel and toilet roll dispensers in all the cubicles and bathrooms. These will make it easier for the students to use and will also reduce cost due to less wastage. We have entered an arrangement with Nowra Chemicals.

Chooks
According to the experts our chooks should start to lay very soon. Thanks to the band of helpers over the holidays who kept them fed and watered.

Chess
Chess will continue in the library on Wednesdays each week. We thank Mr Johnstone for his valuable time in helping our students learn and improve their chess skills. Unfortunately Mr Johnstone is not available this term. A chess day is planned for this term.

Attendance
This term the Department of Education and Communities has asked all schools to monitor closely the attendance of all students’, in particular partial absences. They are particularly concerned about the disruption to class routine and the loss of learning by those students regularly turning up to school late. A report by all schools is to be submitted at the end of term for the attention of Home School Liaison Officers.
African Choir

Billets for students from the African Choir I have been advised were in high demand. We had four families interested in billeting. I believe if you have been contacted by Deb Grahame regarding arrangements you have been successful in hosting a billet.

Glenn Sansom
Principal 😊

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Diary Dates**

- Wednesday 22nd April: Canteen
- Thursday 23rd April: ANZAC Assembly
- Friday 1st May: District Cross Country

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**CANTEEN**

Canteen will be open this Wednesday 22nd April.

This week’s rostered parents are Jas Bramley, Lana Malmborg and Tanya Hammond.

Pizzas are out of stock!

We have limited pies so please put a second option when ordering a meat pie.

Canteen will no longer take pre-ordered lunchtime or recess snacks, and frozen items must be paid and collected separately, not included in a lunch order. Please fill out all orders on a paper bag.

Please print clearly:

**Child’s name, Class, Lunch Order, Drink**

Money for multiple students should go in one bag. Please list each child’s name with their individual amount to avoid confusion.

Thank you
Tanya Hammond

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

We are very happy to be able to notify parents that our new uniform is now in stock and available for purchase. Please use the Uniform Order Form sent out with the Term 1 Week 9 newsletter. If needed the front office have more forms available.

Tracy Warnecke