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NEWSLETTER
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Great state. Great opportunity.
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 4. We trust that you have had a great 2 week break. I would also like to welcome the many new families who have joined us this term. Term 4 is a busy one with many events at the end of the year. It is also a planning term for us in the administration team as we start to develop classing structures, class lists and staffing for 2017. Staffing of school is critically linked to the student enrolment of our school. Hence, we need your support in letting us know your intentions for 2017. We are going to have an increase in the number of classes in our school in 2017. With the ongoing housing developments occurring it is going to see our school continue to grow.

Leaving Dakabin in 2017

The accuracy of student numbers is critical in making decisions. It is very important that we know if your child or family is leaving our school. There is a form in this week’s newsletter or you can drop into the office and fill out the appropriate departure forms. Your cooperation with this is much appreciated. You can also email admin@dakabinss.eq.edu.au to let us know.

Parent Requests to Principal

Additionally, I also give parents the opportunity to email or write to me with their thoughts or concerns about their child. These requests need to be in writing. The types of information that is considered is around peers and learning. Requests for specific teachers are not part of the decision making process.

I often have conversations with parents about these kinds of concerns, but it is important that they come in writing so they are formally noted. As a leadership team we work very hard to try and place students and teachers in the right combination. Many hours of work goes into this process as we care greatly about the successful learning of students and making sure we get the right learning and peer combinations. Parent requests can be emailed to the.principal@dakabinss.eq.edu.au or written letters addressed to the principal can be handed to the staff in the front office as they will collate this information for me. Final date for considerations is Friday 28 October 2016.

Diverse Learning Groups and Classes

In 2017, we will be working along the same lines to support learners who academically need extension and challenge, in conjunction with supporting students who have difficulties learning. Diverse learning needs to occur for all students and it is important that we are inclusive of all learners on this spectrum.

In 2017 we will continue with a number of “Diverse Learning Classes”. We pride our school in being able to support the full diverse range of learners in a personalised way. We are also making some cultural shifts around how we support Students with a Disability and with Learning Disabilities in our school. We are continuing to make this cultural transition over the next few years. Students working in Diverse Learning Classes will be identified through a range of information, learning disposition, academic data, learning behaviours and social emotional needs.

Disability Parking / Staff Carpark

I would like to remind parents that the internal drop off area and staff carpark is for the use of staff and students or persons with a disability. To be using this drop off area you need to have a school disability permit displayed which you can apply for through the office OR use the nationally recognised disability parking permit sticker. All other vehicles are to use the drop off area at the front of the school. Increased traffic has been occurring in this area which places our most vulnerable students in danger.

Smoking Near Schools or Childcare Facilities

I have also received information from parents that there is a number of adults smoking in the nature strip area near the parking zone at the front of the school. Queensland Laws state that you need to smoke 10m away from any school or child care facility. Considering there is a Child Care Centre across the road from our school this area would be considered a no smoking area.

Kelly Jeppesen
Principal

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**Upcoming Events**

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**New equipment in Prep Playground**

A huge thank you to the team at North Lakes Bunnings for donating the materials and tradies to build our new “tree deck”, outdoor musical centre and also a cubby tent. It was installed over the holidays and looks awesome!

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**Principal's Award Winners**

Congratulations to Caleb Brockfield Tutaitaga Hapati
TRIVIA NIGHT FOR CHAPLAINCY

Saturday 22nd October

Doors open 6:30pm
Trivia starts 7:00pm

BYO SNACKS
Beer, Wine, Ciders & Soft Drinks
Will be available to purchase
(Cash Only)

**** This is an 18+ Only Event ****
$10 per person
(maximum 10 people per team)

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