Dear Parents, Staff & Students,

2015 Staffing
A majority of our staffing for 2015 has been finalised including our class structure and class teachers. At this point in time, we expect to begin the year with 344 students which equates to 14 classes – similar to 2014.

We will have a new classroom teacher next year as the wonderful Mrs Hold is moving to Mackay North State High School to work in Junior Secondary. Our loss is certainly North High’s gain as Mrs Hold has been a fabulous teacher at Northview for the past 14 years. Our new teacher will likely be appointed in January next year.

As always, I remind parents and students that the structure listed below is subject to change based on the number of students who enrol during the first 8 days of the 2015 school year.

Class lists for 2015 are almost finalised and will be available for students and parents early next week. We will have a “meet your new teacher” day on Thursday 11th December following our Awards Ceremony.

Prep C  Paulette Craig
Prep D  Leanne DeCampo
P/1 W  Melody Williamson
1 B  Melissa Balcomb / Lesa Arthur (1 day)
1 X  ???
2 K  Jo Ketelaar
2/3 B  June Bradley / Lesa Arthur (1 day)
3 C  Kate Connolly
3/4 S  Deb Schonfeld
4 W  Katrina Whittaker
4/5 P  Sharon Pollard / Lesa Arthur (1 day)
5 B  Elizabeth Beckingham
5/6 H  Deb Hamilton
6 C  Bruce Clarendon
ST/LaN  Kristine Fettel (4 days/week)
         Sue Williamson (2 days/week)
Master Teacher  Lisa Wayman (2.5 days/week)
Guidance Officer  Tony Weight

Christmas Carols Concert – Dec 5
A reminder that our school Christmas concert is being held this Friday, 5th December beginning at 5.30pm. The concert will involve combined classes singing Christmas Songs and Carols.

Students in Miss Kay’s concert band should arrive at 5.00pm and meet in the music room. All other students should arrive at 5.15pm. Unless notified to the contrary by your child’s teacher, all students should be dressed in anything ‘Christmassy’.

The Carols will take place at the front of the school weather permitting, otherwise in our school hall. Parents are asked to bring along a picnic blanket or chair. Please note that people sitting in chairs will be asked to sit toward the back of our grassed area, families on picnic rugs will sit closer to the front of the stage.

Our 2015 Year 5/6 Sydney-Canberra Fundraising Committee will be selling hot food, drinks and sweet treats during the evening. See the flyer attached for more information.

We are asking any parents who may be able to assist with setting up the stage to meet Mr Meineke and Mr Manttan in the hall this Friday at 7am. If you can assist it would be greatly appreciated.

Swimming Carnival – Dec 3
Our whole school Swimming Carnival will take place next Monday 8th December at Pioneer Pool, Malcomson St, North Mackay. Buses will depart school at 8.40am, arriving at the pool by 9.00am ready to start the first events. All students must be at school by 8.30am at the latest especially Year 7, Prep and Year 1 students who will be leaving on the first bus.

Year P-2 students will depart the pool at 11.30am to return to school. Year 3-7 students will depart the pool at 1.30pm.

It is strongly suggested that students come dressed in their swimming togs with their house
colours shirt and either school shorts or boardies over the top of their togs. Please ensure your child(ren) have applied sun screen before they leave home – sun screen will also be available at the pool so that students can reapply throughout the day.

The canteen at Pioneer Pool will not be open to Northview students. Students do not need to bring any money. Students can pre-order a sausage and drink using information on the flyer below.

Please feel free to invite extended family and friends. The program for the evening is attached.

Invoices and refunds
With the roll-out of our new OneSchool finance system, all Queensland State Schools must now invoice parents before accepting any money for excursions, camps etc. The system also tracks when a child hasn’t paid for an event or activity, and likewise, when a student has overpaid. If your child has paid, but did not attend the event they paid for, their account will be in credit and this amount will come off any future activities. If you would like a refund, please come into our office and complete a refund form. Parents will be refunded within 7 days of completing the refund form. If you believe you have been invoiced for an activity that your child was not involved in, please direct all enquiries to bsm@northviess.eq.edu.au or contact Mr Sehl on 4965 6888.

Natural Disaster Information
In the event of a natural disaster, please access school closure information through the following:

QSchools app
The QSchools app will provide up-to-date information about school closures, in the event of a natural disaster causing damage to the school or preventing access to the school.

Visit the department’s apps page for more information and all the features: http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/

The QSchools app is available for free download through iTunes, Google Play and the Window’s store.

Our school website
Up-to-date information about school closures can be accessed on the following websites.
- School Closure Website: http://esc.eq.edu.au


Stop, Drop & Go
There are a growing number of parents who are parking in our Stop, Drop & Go area well before 3.00pm. A reminder to parents that this area is not a carpark and is a no standing zone. The best time to arrive at the Stop, Drop and Go shelter is from 3.10pm when students have had an opportunity to make their way to the Stop, Drop and Go shelter. It is pointless waiting in the zone when there are no kids to “pick up” – this makes our stop, drop & go area inefficient and blocks traffic along Pioneer Street. We also need this zone kept clear prior to 3pm to allow buses to drop of students following activities including swimming, excursions, A+ Days. We don’t want to endanger the lives of our students by having the bus drop them off on the street.

If you arrive earlier than 3.10pm, we ask that you park your car in a designated car park and drive around to our Stop, Drop & Go area after 3pm. Thanks in anticipation.

Beached as….
Isaac Morris and his mates Tobias Skinner & Harper Davis enjoying a warm day on Northview Beach with a refreshing drink and ice-block. Congratulations Tristan for winning “Beached as…” on assembly this week.

Kind regards,
Paul Manttan
(Principal)
P & C News

Uniform Shop
Our second hand uniform shop will be open during the last 3 days of the holidays in 2015, see days and times below. Drop in and pick up good quality Northview shirts and shorts at very affordable prices to get you ready for the new school year. We also sell school hats and library bags.
- Wednesday 22nd January – 9am – 12 noon
- Thursday 23rd January – 9am -12 noon
- Friday 24th January – 9am – 12 noon

Sausage Sizzle
Don't forget to pre-order your sausages for the swimming carnival. Orders MUST be in by this Thursday 4th December. Visit www.flexischools.com.au to order (preferred method) or alternatively use a brown paper bag to your classroom.

Tuckshop News
Please note that the tuckshop will be closed next week on Wednesday and Friday – this week is the last week of tuckshop for 2014. Don't forget to get your entries in for the electric scooter, visit flexischools to place your child's lunch order. This competition will be drawn on Friday night at the Carols night.

Can you help
Mrs Craig is looking for OMO containers to use as storage boxes – see picture. They are the hard plastic type. If you can help Mrs Craig please drop them to her classroom.

Carols Night
Just a quick reminder that parents and students of the 2015 Canberra Trip will be catering at the Carols Night on Friday. This is not a pre-order system. Freshly cooked Steak Burgers and Sausages on bread will be available with icy cold drinks and yummy treats at the Home Bake stall.

Merry Christmas
## Northview Christmas Carols Program

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Northview State School presents 2015 Christmas Carols

starting at 5:30pm on Friday 5th December 2014

- Freshly cooked Steak Burgers & Sausages
- Home Bake Stalls
- LED Candles
- Cold Drinks

All funds raised will be going towards the 2015 Canberra Trip for Years 5 and 6
In tradition, Northview State School P and C is cooking at the

Swimming Carnival

Monday 8th December 2014

Pre-order only

Lunchtime Option

1 x Sausage on bread with sauce & 1 x 250ml juice popper $2.50

Extras

Sausage with bread $2.00
Juice popper $1.00

Ordering can be done before Thursday 4th December 2014 by:

On-line via Flexischools

Or

Brown paper bag handed in at your classroom

Students will need to bring second break from home.