Dear Parents, Carers, Staff & Students

As the Term draws to a close, I would like to wish all our staff, students and families a happy Easter break. The first Term has certainly gone by very quickly and it has been great to witness the growth of our students during the first 10 weeks of the school year. I’d encourage all parents to make the time to have a parent/teacher interview in the first two weeks of Term Two. See details below.

At the start of this Term we grew to 14 classes to ensure we could maintain our target class sizes. Since the start of this Term our enrolments have continued to grow with 358 students now attending Northview. While the numbers have increased the culture remains the same. This culture includes:

1. high expectations of students in their academic achievement and behaviour,
2. every child having the opportunity to make friends
3. giving every student, irrespective of ability, the opportunity to succeed by offering a wide variety of curricular and extra-curricular activities.

The quote written on our school sign at the front of the school sums up what our community believes about our school.

“Small enough to care, big enough to make a difference.”

While school culture plays an important role in the learning journey of students, we can’t make a difference if students are not at school! Attendance at school every day is absolutely critical if we are to maximise the learning potential of our students. I thank all parents for their vigilance in ensuring their children are at school, on time, every day. At the end of Term 1, our attendance rate across the whole school was 93.5% which is just above our 2013 average. It is absolutely imperative that students are at school on time, as missing just an hour of school a week, adds up to nearly two weeks of education missed per year!

**Attendance Target for 2014**

- Our target for 2014 = 94%
- Current rate = 93.5%
- 2013 attendance rate of 93.4%
**Reading**
Improved student achievement and outcomes in reading secures success across all the learning areas and beyond. Switching students onto reading and developing fluent, competent and independent problem solvers, who willingly read widely for different purposes are the goals. Please continue to read to and with your children and be reading role models for them - even over the holidays!

**Parent/Teacher Interviews**
Just a reminder that Parent/Teacher interviews will take place in the first two weeks of next Term. Teachers have sent home letters of invitation to parents this week indicating when they are available for an interview. If you have missed out on an interview letter, please see your class teacher, or visit the office. I encourage all parents to take up the opportunity to have a substantive conversation with your child’s teacher.

**A+ Rewards Day**
Congratulations to all students who have been invited to A+ Day this Term. In quantifiable terms, 96% of students are attending A+ days this week which is very encouraging. If you child missed out this Term, I encourage you to remind them of appropriate behaviours and check in with your child’s teacher to get regular feedback on how they are behaving.

**ANZAC Day March**
This year ANZAC Day falls on the first Friday back next Term, 25th April. Our School ANZAC Day Ceremony will be held in the hall @ 11:45am on Thursday 24th April. School leaders in Years 6 & 7 will lead the ceremony. All parents are invited to attend.

As with previous years, we are strongly encouraging our Northview students to march in the ANZAC Day Parade. Last year there were just under 4000 students marching in the parade, and this year the organisers are expecting to top 4000 students. Our marching band will also be involved in the parade and are busy practicing under the tutelage of Mrs Hamilton and Ms Benson.

Details of the parade are below:
- All students are to meet in the old Coles Car Park on Sydney St at 8.15am. Northview staff will be there from 8.00am. Please look for our Northview banner. Organisers have asked parents to vacate the car park as soon as their child is under the supervision of staff to minimise congestion.
- Schools will step-off at 0835 hours with Cpl Madeleine King No 105 (City of Mackay) Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets leading the Chelona State School Band into Sydney Street.
- The route is along Sydney Street, left into Gordon Street, left into Wellington Street and left into Alfred Street.
- Students are to be dressed in full school uniform including hat.
- Park Marshalls in Alfred Street will direct schools to the MECC side and to the Central State School side of Alfred Street for their dismissal. Parents should be waiting in that area from 0900 hours.
- Students may wear medals of their parents, grandparents, and other ancestors on their right breast. (Those wearing medals from police service should check with the police.)

**P&C Quiz Night**
Congratulations and thank you to all involved in the Quiz night last Friday. As you will read below, the night was a great monetary success and a great community event. Special thanks to Bonnie McCarthy, Wendy Batley and Rob McClinton who worked tirelessly putting the Quiz night together. Thanks also to Mrs Ross for putting all the questions together. Congratulations to Mrs Thompson’s team who were the victors on the night. It was pleasing to see that most teams were able to get a few questions correct in the round, “Are you smarter than a Northview Student?”

**School Levy**
Thanks very much to the parents who have paid our school resource levy. If you haven’t done so, just a reminder that these invoices were issued to parents earlier this Term and are now due. The resource levy assists our school in the purchase of additional resources including computer software for learning, Connect text book, USB). If parents could finalise payment of this levy as soon as possible, we can then begin the process of purchasing the necessary items for student use. Thanks in advance for your help in this matter.

*Paul Manttan*
(Principal)

**Tuckshop** - Closed Friday 4th April. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for a great start to the year.

**Mother’s Day Stall** – Preparations for this will begin in week 1 of term 2. The stock has already been ordered. Jacqui Morris is coordinating this event and we will once again require our helpers to work on the stall. We will also be asking our creative, talented mum’s and family members for craft items and yummy baking treats to sell at the stall. More information will be sent out in term 2. If you are able to help in any way or require more information regarding the stall, please call Jacqui Morris on 0421 228 412

*The P&C would like to wish you all a Happy Easter. Have a safe and relaxing holiday!*
QUIZ NIGHT
Wow! What a night! Our quiz night was a great success. We had 116 guests attend and they all had a fabulous time. The event raised approximately $4000!

“The Great Northerners” team posing with their spoils at the P&C Quiz night.

We do have some alcohol left over. We would like to sell it off at cost. If you are interested please call/text the P&C on 0478 887 655 to arrange payment and pick up. Sale of this stock will reduce our expenses and therefore increase our profit margin for this event. This stock must be sold by end of this week as Tuckshop fridge space is a premium for next term. Yes, these drinks have been kept cold ready for consumption. These are Dan Murphy prices – you won’t get better.

UDL
Vodka & Orange (4) Passionfruit (8) Pineapple (2)
Lemon Lime and Soda (21) $2.58 each
Bundaberg Rum (16) $2.50 each
Beer
Hahn Premium Light cans (41) $1.46 each

The winner of the parent draw held at parade on Monday 31st March was Mrs Sally Gibbs. Congratulations Sally enjoy your $50 Canelands gift card! Thank you to the 27 parents who attended the quiz night and brought family and friends with them to share good times at our beautiful school.

We must thank all the wonderful volunteers who made the night possible and didn’t leave till midnight after cleaning up and packing away. First of all Mr Manttan our MC did a wonderful job keeping the night on track and the crowd entertained. Mrs Ross, Mrs Nipperess and Dan Kelly were the Quiz Masters. Mrs Ross in particular spent many hours working over the questions adding in music tracks and other varieties to keep the night interesting and fun. The Bar staff were Shay Nicols, Mel Holdsworth, Jack Nipperess, Chrissy Pauling, Tania Morgan and Kerry Kelly and they all did an awesome job even providing table service! Annette Swan and Monal Ghosal helped on the door. The Pizza oven was supplied and operated by Mr Rob Mcclimon and two of his good friends Jason and Dale, who all worked very hard constantly through the humid night over a hot oven, to supply us with yummy pizzas and they were assisted by Mrs Michelle Johnson to keep the orders organised. Rob also spent most of the day setting up for the event with the generous help of strongman Ross Cheetham. The lovely Mums who donated desserts to sell – Mrs Jenny Cowan, Alison Lawton, Julie Camilleri and Mel Gibbs. Last of all we must thank Mrs Bonnie McCarthy for taking charge of the event, keeping it organized, gathering the fantastic motherlode of prizes, advertising on the radio, newspaper and putting up all the road signs around the school, plus many other jobs she accomplished for us. For a major event there was certainly a lot of work to be done by a lot of people. Of course it wouldn’t have been possible at all without the wonderful support of our sponsors who donated the prizes and cash to reduce costs. Please see a list of all sponsors below. A full report of the event will be tabled at the next General Meeting, date to be advised. Our only apology for the night is that we couldn’t fill the raspberry slushy machine for a third time! We’ll know better next time. Thanks everyone!

Regards,
Wendy Batley

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Children With Type 1 Diabetes - Are You Challenged by Your Child’s Diabetes?

Research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes.

The University of Queensland is conducting research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes. Parenting a child with diabetes presents many challenges (everything from the regular blood glucose monitoring and insulin intake, to more general parenting tasks). The aim of this study is to understand the factors that make the management of childhood diabetes particularly difficult, and to use this information to develop strategies that might assist parents in managing their child’s diabetes.

If you are a parent of a 2 to 10-year-old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you! By sharing your experiences (confidentially), you will be making a valuable contribution to the development of much-needed childhood diabetes management strategies for parents.

To complete the online survey, please log on to: https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1diabetes

For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Aditi Lohan (aditi.lohan@uqconnect.edu.au) or call (07 3365 7689) at the Parenting and Family Support Centre in the School of Psychology at the University of Queensland, St Lucia QLD 4072 (Fax: 07 3365 6724).

Thank you for your time and participation.

Aditi Lohan, Alina Morawska, and Amy Mitchell
UQ Parenting and Family Support Centre
### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK  
**17/03 24/03 31/03**

| PC | Paige Kenniff & Lucas McCarthy  
Kristopher Ganalon & Cordae Johnson-Daniels  
Korey Braithwaite  
Kyla Scotton | Great work with letters and sounds.  
Improvement in behaviour in class.  
Hugh effort with letters & sounds.  
Great work with her talking in class. |
|---|---|
| PD | William Day  
Brayden Skinner  
Zac Smith  
Mackayla Choat | Trying very hard to learn handwriting.  
Wow, you have been trying very hard with your handwriting.  
Great to see that you have been making a big effort to listen and follow directions.  
A good role model for class mates. Always ready to lend a hand and do your best. |
| P1B | Charlotte Kunst  
Cayne Brookes  
Joshua Waldon  
Conrad Borg  
Declan Frost  
Brandyn Mapley | For a well prepared show & tell.  
Great effort with writing tasks.  
Always having a cheerful attitude.  
An entertaining show & tell.  
Being a responsible leader for the week.  
For sharing his knowledge of animals. |
| 1W | Tyler Goodes-Stebbards  
Seth Stockham  
Tayla Vaughan | For appositive attitude to all class tasks.  
An improvement in attitude & behaviour.  
A happy & positive attitude towards class. |
| 2K | James Bonello & Charlotte Lucas  
Ethan Catlin & Francois Laas  
Robert Durkin & Kiralee Streeter | For good maths thinking.  
For putting in a huge effort with their schoolwork.  
Helpful class members. |
| 2/3W | Madelyn Sheehy  
Briannah Morris  
Sarah Britton  
Matthew Thomsett | For having a positive attitude to school.  
For always putting in her best effort in all areas.  
For her excellent advertisement she wrote and presented.  
Improved concentration and effort in class. |
| 3D | Trinity Lorraway  
Ethan Cranston  
Aonghus Stewart-Harris | For her valuable contributions to class discussions.  
For his increased effort in maths.  
For a massive improvement in the classroom. |
| 3S | Bailey Cochrane  
Alira Vaughan  
Jordan Pick | Great work applying his skills in maths.  
For being a responsible learner and a great role model in class.  
Great work with accuracy & speed in mental maths. |
| 4C | Bailey Jepsen  
Grace Percey  
Damon McDiarmid | Putting in 100% in all activities.  
Excellent narrative writing. Well done.  
Fabulous narrative writing. Well done. |
| 4/5B | Jerome Newton-Pio  
Jordan Ballingall  
Finn Law | Excellent narrative writing. Well done.  
Working hard in class and displaying positive work habits.  
On task and an enthusiastic scientist. |
| 5B | Dakoda Furness  
Daniel Cowan  
McKeely Lawton | Excellent attitude to all her schooling.  
Always completing his work to the best of his ability.  
Huge effort in all areas of school. |
| 5/6C | Derome Bayato  
MiKeely Gordon  
Jayden Morris | For putting a good effort in class.  
For always being a positive member of our class.  
For always trying his best. |
| 6/7A | Logan Alexander  
Tyler Bates  
Shania Furness | Excellent participation in all areas.  
Showing persistence & effort on assignment tasks.  
Always working hard. Well done. |
| 6/7B | Elijah Levitz  
William Bradford  
Emilia Lay  
Riley Phelan | Consistent effort and focus.  
Great participation, focus and enthusiasm.  
Great participation in lessons.  
Always working hard to do his best. |
| LOTE | 6/7A | Jakob Cameron on fire saying numbers in Japanese. |
| HPE | P-3 | William Day, Tasha Bonello, Conrad Borg, Harper Davis, Cordae Johnson-Daniels, Jayce Mcclimon.  
4-7 | Max Herring, Ethan McLaughlin, Alicia Abela, Tyler Bates, Chad Lawn, Ella Herring. |
| LIBRARY | 1W | Tayla Vaughan - Beautiful behaviour, Ashten Nichols – Great participation in our book discussion. |