

## Moomba Messengen

We empower resilient, creative and successful young people who strive for personal excellence and positively contribute to the world.

We provide an inclusive, supportive and engaging learning environment for our school community in which students are inspired to become resilient lifelong learners.

## Upcoming Events \& Important Dates

Thursday 15th February Book Club Closed

Friday 16th February
Parents \& Friends' Meeting

Wednesday 21st February
Meet the Teacher
3:20-5pm

Monday 11th March Labour Day Public Holiday

March 13th to 24th
NAPLAN

Thursday 28th March
End of term
2:30pm finish

Friday 24th May
Photo Day

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and families,

This week we welcomed our Foundation students to school. Ms Lisa and I couldn't believe how quickly they settled into school. Many of our Foundation students are younger siblings to our older students and are excited that it's finally their time to come to school. Our amazing Steps to Prep program also contributes to a successful start to school. Thank you to our fabulous Foundation teachers Miss Katie and Miss Hana, and the wonderful Ms Katrina for helping to make their first week of school so special.

## Parents Friends and Carers Group (PFCG)

Our first Parents and Friends meeting for the year is next Friday $16^{\text {th }}$ of February. We meet in the staffroom straight after assembly. All are welcome. Please enter via the office.

## Meet The Teacher

Our Meet the Teacher open classroom will be held on Tuesday $21^{\text {st }}$ February
from 3:20pm - 5pm. This is an opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom
with your child, see the learning that is taking place and an informal chat to the teacher.

This week, students will have brought home an important notice about using the internet, iPads and laptops at school. Our ICT Safe Policy: Acceptable Use Agreement; explains some of the school's responsibilities including e-safety as well as some online safety information for parents. The last page of the document is agreement that is to be signed by parent and student and returned to school. Please discuss with your child/children the importance of safe and responsible online behaviour. Our ICT Safe Use Policy is complimented by our Digital Learning Policy which is located on the school website.

## Contact Details

It is important that the school has the correct details should we need to contact you about your child. Please ensure that your phone numbers are correct and that the emergency contacts you have listed are still applicable. We also require more than one emergency contact number. Students can only be collected early from school by people nominated as a parent or emergency contact. If your child is dropped off or collected by a carer, please provide their contact details too.

Have a great week everyone,

## Ms. Mania Manchionna



## Wellbeing with Lisa \& Luna

We are glad to see our Foundation students start this week and to see everyone back at school every day.

## ATTENDANCE ... Remember... Every Day Counts!

Going to school every day is the most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day - missing school puts them behind.

In primary school, some students miss on average 4 days a term, which is 3 weeks of school per year. That's half a year of school by the end of year 6.

We know there are always times students need to miss school because they are ill. Setting good sleep routines, eating well and exercising regularly can make a difference too.

## ABSENCES

If your child is absent, please remember to notify the school as soon as possible.
This can be done through Xuno or by calling the school.

## LATE ARRIVAL



If you child is late to school, please escort them to the office, they will be recorded as present on the roll by the office staff.

## Luna the Therapy Dog

I must congratulate so many students who remember the therapy dog rules from last year. They have remembered to walk up to Luna and ask to pat her.

They have also remembered that we stand at Luna's side and pat her back. She is enjoying all of the
attention when she is out in the yard or on a classroom
visit. Once the foundation students are settled in to the
foutine of school, Luna and I will visit for a 'Luna Lesson'
so they learn how to interact with Luna at school.

- Inside voices only <br> \section*{Therapy Dog Rules} <br> \section*{Therapy Dog Rules}
- Walking only
- Just like me, the therapy dog needs personal space. Do not stand or sit too close
- Put my hand up and ask Julia before I pat the dog
- Only pat the dog on her back or chest.

- One person pats the dog at a time
- No patting the dog's head/face


| Room 1 Ms Laura | Yesrah | For for showing your character strength of leadership, by modelling our school motto - 'Our best always.' You have been an excellent role model for Room 1 while setting up our classroom routines and modelling how to show our school values. Congratulations Yesrah! |
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| Room 2 <br> Ms Alice | Wisdom | for contributing positively to the class with interesting and relevant questions on the topic of The Rights of the Child. <br> Well done keep it up! |
| Room 3 <br> Miss Monica | Yasmin | You have been an amazing role model to all of your peers by showing excellent listening and thinking skills. |
| Room 6 Ms Hana | Oscar | Congratulations Oscar on a fabulous first two days of school! You have have shown our school value of Resilience this week by having a go at all activities, even when you were tired, and for using your words to express how you were feeling. Go Oscar! |
| Room 7 <br> Ms Katie | Rian | Rian,you have begun this year with an enthusiastic smile and positive attitude. You have shown emotional maturity and initiative following routines and being a great role model to our Room 7 friends. Keep it Up! |
| Room 8 <br> Mrs Milonopoulos <br> Mrs Fordred | Zain | Congratulations, Zain for settling into Room 8 amazingly and making new friends. You are always happy and have shown your character strength of love of learning. Well done on a great start to being at Moomba Park! |
| Room 10 <br> Mr John | Yazan | Well done for a terrific week. You have settled into Room 10 and have shown that you are a hard worker and a good listener. Well done for a great start to Grade three. |
| Room 11 <br> Mrs Drakopoulos <br> Ms Barr | Sabrina | For being a respectful and resilient member of Room 11. You have worked so hard on identifying your strengths and have set goals for yourself accordingly. You try your best at everything and are always doing so with a positive attitude. Keep up the excellent work Sabrina!!! |


| Room 12 <br> Ms Sarah <br> Ms Croft | Miray | For showing exceptional leadership, enthusiasm towards <br> learning tasks and humility. You have embraced and <br> modelled the updated school values every session, taking <br> on challenges and showing resilience. Keep up the <br> wonderful work Miray! |
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| Room 14 <br> Ms Kate | Humeyyra | Humeyraa you are the kindest, most polite and gentle <br> soul. You have made so much progress from our time <br> together in 2022. I am so proud of the person you are and <br> so honoured to get to share another year watching you <br> learn and prosper. |
| Room 15 <br> Ms Nikita | Neve | For displaying respect to all of your classmates and for <br> welcoming me! Thank you for your positive attitude and <br> the resilience you have shown! Keep up the work! |



# CONGRATULATIONS STRENGTH SIGNAL AW ARD WINNERS 




Please visit our classrooms and meet your child teachers for 2024


MEET THE TEACHER
WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY
3.20PM - 5PM

