From the Principal

Welcome to Term 1 2017. We have had a very busy start to the school year with over 70 additional enrolments coming in as school has returned. We continue to experience rapid enrolment growth with student numbers moving from 267 January 2016 to approx. 550 this year. Our school funding is provided from the Department of Education and Training based on the number of students in regular attendance in the first 8 days of the school year.

Every Day counts when it comes to attendance, both in the coming days and every day of the school term/year. This year sees the introduction of daily SMS notification of absence should your child be away. Please ensure your mobile phone details are up to date with our office staff to facilitate this initiative. If your child is absent, please phone the absence line before 9:30am.

With the increase in student numbers we are working on some new procedures. As you are aware no formal supervision is provided before class begins at 8.50am. Our campus has doubled in size and transition of students before school has been very busy. In light of this, as from today, any students in years 1 - 6 arriving at school prior to 8:30am are to present to the library for reading. At 8:30 students will be transitioned to the under covered area near the canteen awaiting collection or nomination from their classroom teacher that they have opened the classroom. Prep students that arrive early will sit in the prep undercover area until the class teachers collect them. Students are not to be on playground equipment or running through the classroom areas. To facilitate such movement before school, parents are reminded that they need to book appointments with teachers rather than drop in, as our current practice requires.

We currently have 24 classes across P-6 and will no doubt continue to grow in number as 2017 progresses. This year we are looking to implement a “Parent Representative” initiative for each class to further the communication channels available to our families and to harness the relationships that have begun to foster as our new classes work together. Please make contact with your class teacher if you are interested in volunteering.

With the continued enrolment growth there is increasing pressure on the carpark. At our invitation, Michael Crandon, State Member for Coomera, was in attendance from 2:45pm yesterday to experience the pick up and bus collection situation. Please note that the signposted “Staff Carpark” (carpark to the left of entry) is for school staff ONLY. Within this carpark entrance is a crossing to service all pedestrian traffic (including students on bikes and catching buses). This was designed from a safety perspective to minimise the traffic flow during this the busy afternoon traffic time. Please refrain from parking/waiting in this area to support us in keeping our students/families safe.

Donna Gosling
Principal

In the coming weeks....

We have a number of events and activities to look forward to:

- **Thursday 26th January**
  Australia Day Public Holiday - School Closed

- **Friday 3rd February**
  Assembly will be held in the hall in 2017
  Senior Assembly: 8:55am  Junior Assembly: 9:15am
From the Deputy Principal

Welcome back to another exciting year. It has been great getting around and meeting all our new students and families and to say g’day to all our returning students and families too. Thankyou to everybody that respected our no photos/no Facebook policy with our classlists last week.

To get the best possible start, students need the resources outlined in the bookpacks. If you haven’t ordered your bookpack yet, Kookaburra are still taking orders for them. Drop into the office and ask for the bookpack online ordering details if you missed them last year. Kookaburra will deliver the bookpacks to your home in approximately 5 days after placing your order.

The Canteen will be open on Friday 27th January with full (slightly amended from 2016) menu. A copy of the menu is now on our website and will be shared on Facebook today for your perusal. You can order online via Flexischools www.flexischools.com.au prior to 8.30am or via a bag system at the counter before school. We are hoping to increase the number of days that the canteen can open in 2017, though this will rely on an increase in volunteers in order to staff and serve our students. If you are able to share a few hours on a Friday to support the canteen please contact Angela our Convenor akova38@eq.edu.au.

Invoices for those who indicated that they are participating in the Student Resource Scheme for 2017 will shortly be invoiced for the amount of $125/child for the calendar year. Payment hours are Wednesday and Friday from 8.00am-10.30am or can be paid via bank transfer (BPoint Facility or Centrepay deductions). For further information regarding payment plans please contact Mrs Sharon Laverty, Business Services Manager at the following email : bsm@pimpamaspc.eq.edu.au.

There will be no assembly this week as we are still settling in. Now that we have access to our beautiful hall, assembly will be held in there every Friday starting next week, Feb 3. Senior assembly 8:55-9:10 and Junior assembly 9:15-9:30.

Have a great Australia Day tomorrow, the school is closed for Australia Day, Thursday 26th January, however please be aware that Friday 27th January is a school day, so please send the students or contact the absence line if you are going to be away.

Stuart MacKenzie
Deputy Principal

From the Guidance Officer

Hello PSPC Families.

For those of you who haven’t met me, I am Soraya Moon and I am the schools Guidance Officer for 2017. I will be at the school Monday to Thursday for the whole year.

As majority of students returning to school have increased anxieties I thought it is the right time to talk about resilience. Resilient people seek solace in the company of others when they experience difficulty. That’s why social connection is such a strong preventative strategy for young people.

The promotion of help-seeking behaviours is one of the best coping strategies of all. Even if kids don’t overtly talk about what’s bothering them, it can be immensely reassuring to spend time around others who are empathetic, understanding and willing to listen and help. So encourage your child to make a new friend, offer help, learn a name, find out something new about their new friend.

Encouraging positive social interaction will help to increase your child’s resilience.
Get involved in the School Banking program.

Pimpama State Primary college is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2017 are:
- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball
- Pencil + Tech Case
- Epic Earphones

(Please go on to the website commbank.com.au/schoolbanking to view pictures of these great rewards.)

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online
   Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch
   Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver’s licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account, they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is Thursdays. Each week you need to Bring your Dollarmites deposit wallet & money depositing to your Class & one of our Banking Co-ordinators will collect

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking, or you can come & see me Janice in the Library on Thursdays mornings

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# Canteen Menu

**Open Friday**
**Term 1 – 2017**

## Snacks
- Raisin Toast (per slice) $0.50
- Fresh Fruit $1.00
- Apple Slinky $1.00
- Fruit Salad $2.00
- Fresh Popcorn $1.00
- Boiled Egg $0.50
- Custard Cup $1.00
- Custard Cup with Fruit $1.50
- Cheese & Crackers $1.00
- Red Rock Deli Chips $1.20
- Smiths Crinkle Cut Chips $1.20

## Sandwiches & Wraps
- Vegemite Sandwich $1.50
- Jam Sandwich $1.50
- Cheese Sandwich $2.00
- Ham Sandwich $2.50
- Chicken Sandwich $2.50
- Ham & Salad Sandwich $4.00
- Chicken & Salad Sandwich $4.00
- Egg & Lettuce (Mayo) $3.00
- Chicken Tender Wrap $4.50
- (Chicken Tender, lettuce, tomato, cheese & choice of sauce)

## Hot Food
- Steamed Dim Sims(4) $2.50
- Mini Pie $2.50
- Sausage Roll $2.50
- Traveller Pie $3.50
- Chicken Nuggets & Vegie Sticks $3.00
- Gluten Free Chicken Nuggets (4) & Vegie Sticks $3.00
- Ham & Cheese Pizza $3.00
- Ham, Cheese & Pineapple Pizza $3.50
- Chicken Caesar Pizza $4.50
- Chicken Burger $4.00
- (Lettuce, Cheese & Mayo) $4.00
- Spaghetti Bolognaise $4.00
- Macaroni Cheese $4.00

## Meal Deals - $5.50
All meal deals come with your choice of:
- 100% Juice Popper or Bottle Water
- Apple Slinky, Popcorn, Custard or Cheese & Crackers

### Meal Deal 1 - Mini Pie + Sauce
- Cheese $2.00
- Cheese & Tomato $2.50
- Ham & Cheese $3.00
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato $3.50
- Chicken & Cheese $3.00
- Chicken, Cheese & Tomato $3.50

### Meal Deal 2 - Macaroni Cheese
- Quelch $0.50
- Icy Twist $1.00
- Callipo $1.00
- Gluten Free Icy Pole $1.00
- Dory Ice Cream $2.00
- Frozen Yoghurt Twist $2.50
- Shakey Shake $2.00

### Meal Deal 3 – Ham & Cheese Toastie
- Cheese $2.00
- Cheese & Tomato $2.50
- Ham & Cheese $3.00
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato $3.50
- Chicken & Cheese $3.00
- Chicken, Cheese & Tomato $3.50

### Meal Deal 4 – Chicken Nuggets & Vegie Sticks
- Cheese $2.00
- Cheese & Tomato $2.50
- Ham & Cheese $3.00
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato $3.50
- Chicken & Cheese $3.00
- Chicken, Cheese & Tomato $3.50

## Drinks
- Bottle Water $1.50
- Strawberry Milk $2.00
- Chocolate Milk $2.00
- 100% Juice Popper $2.00

## Toasties
- Cheese $2.00
- Cheese & Tomato $2.50
- Ham & Cheese $3.00
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato $3.50
- Chicken & Cheese $3.00
- Chicken, Cheese & Tomato $3.50

## Ice-blocks & Ice-Creams
- Quelch $0.50
- Icy Twist $1.00
- Callipo $1.00
- Gluten Free Icy Pole $1.00
- Dory Ice Cream $2.00
- Frozen Yoghurt Twist $2.50
- Shakey Shake $2.00
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Contact Sylvia Constantin your local Saver Plus Worker:
(07) 5644 9182 / 0431 076 011
or sylvia.constantin@benevolent.org.au

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