Welcome back!
We start this year with some great things in place, most importantly a path for improved educational outcomes for our student with the school’s three year plan and the Annual Implementation plan. These plans have a sharp and narrow focus, and are targeted very much at reading. The staff having been planning and preparing over the break to implement research-based practices with the students, ultimately giving them a better chance to understand the content which is taught.

In addition to the strategic plans, our Prep/1 and 1/2 classrooms have been re-furbished over the break and are looking fantastic. They have had new paint, new floorings and new cabinetry. I expect that in the next month work on the basketball court will commence.

Communication
In an effort to keep you better informed about the goings on of the school, we are endeavouring update our contact details with each family. Will are currently setting up an email system to add to the lines of communication which also include notes home, Facebook and the school website. The Qschools app is also a very handy tool which will send you a notification when relevant information has been added to our website. Please keep an eye out for a note requesting your best contact information.

Behaviour
The students have settled in very well to this first week back and I thank them for that. All behaviour expectations are based around the school’s mantras of ‘Be Better’, ‘Be Safe’ and ‘Keep our Great School Great’. This year I will be offering an added incentive for students who model their behaviour on these mantras. At the end of each term a special behaviour day will be offered. This could include such things as a jumping castle or water slide set up on the lower oval. The day will be a regular day for all students except that during lunch breaks, students that have been invited to attend will have the opportunity to partake in the reward. Students will be invited based on their behaviour. Suspensions will almost certainly rule a student out for that term along with repeated inappropriate behaviour. Please continue to encourage your children to maintain high expectations with all facets of their school life.

School Mobile
The school has a new mobile number 0484 119 813, please add it to your contacts. Feel free to text your family name to the phone, so that we can add your contact.
The phone will primarily be used for off campus activities and events. Regular school contact during school hours should still be directed to 3908 0333.

I really look forward to what should be a great year for our school, please feel free to contact me with concerns you may have, working together with the community is the best way to achieve results for our students.
Tuckshop News

Tuckshop days are Tuesday and Thursday.

DON’T FORGET WE HAVE FOR SALE ASSORTED SNACK PACKS $3.50 - $5.00. These can also be purchased on non-tuckshop days from the School Office.

Community Noticeboard

Wynnum Vikings AFL sign on

The sign on for the Wynnum Vikings AFL club is on Saturday 4th February at 300 Kianawah Rd, Wynnum West from 10:00am till 2:00pm.

AFL is a fun and inclusive game for boys and girls from ages 5 to 18, all skill levels can be catered for. Wynnum Vikings are looking to field boys and girls teams in 2016.

Registration fees start at $100, no weekly match fees.