Thank you to the many students and staff who supported Mark Pennings’ trip to the National Track and Field Carnival through our Free Dress Day – we raised $127 and this has been given to Mark to assist in the purchase of his uniforms.

Our Year 7s had an enjoyable day at Victoria Point State High School last Friday and are keen to go to high school after sampling what it will be like. The teachers that accompanied them were very proud of them and stated that they were the best behaved students there – Congratulations year 7 students.

A reminder to parents to ensure your child has a sun safe hat for school. This is especially important now that the warmer weather has arrived. We have many students at the moment that have either left them at home or are not wearing them. Hats are to be worn during breaks when outside, during PE lessons and when attending swimming.

Well done to the 147 students who achieved 90% attendance and attended our special morning tea last week, but we would like to increase those numbers for next time. Please ensure your child is at school unless they are sick and as we head towards the end of term it is important that students are present to complete their end of year assessments.

Parents are you aware that legally only children above 13 years of age should be accessing Facebook? It is important that both children and parents need to be aware that what they post on Facebook and other social media sites is public. Posting defamatory statements is illegal and legal action can be taken against people and administrators of sites if they allow these statements on their sites. It is also a form a cyber-bullying. So parents please have these conversations with your children and ensure that you are modelling the correct use of social media.

Spaces are filling fast for our Big Day Out to the Plantation so if you want your children to come get your forms in soon as we already have half of our boat/buses full.

Gaynor Brennan
Principal
**SANTAS’ MAILBOX**

Santa has put a mailbox in the school office for all those students who wish to write a letter to Santa! Please make sure you put your name, address and class on the letter so that Santa can write back. The letter box will be in the office until the 5th of December. Make sure you get your letters in early. Santa will be very busy in December!

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**THANK YOU**

We would like to express our sincere thanks to **Terri Barclay** and **Bill Robinson** who have very kindly donated to the running of our Breakfast Club.

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**SOCCER NEWS**

Looking at 7-a-side teams, in a round robin, to play from **2.30pm on a Saturday at Russell Island.**

Entry cost $2.00 per player with medals for winners over the 7 weeks.

This will be **open to all ages** with squads of 10 players.

Please ring **Mick on 34091457 for more details.**

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

School banking is done on a Friday morning before school in the library. If no-one is there to take your deposits, please leave books and money in the school office.

This will be collected by the school banking officer and deposited through the following week and books returned to students.

Thank you.

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**P & C NEWS**

Our next meeting is on **Monday, 2nd December at 6.30pm** in the resource centre.

All welcome.

Please come along to support your P&C.
Congratulations 1/2C
Our Behaviour Stars!

Each week we award one class a trophy for outstanding behaviour in specialist lessons. This class also gets to play on the Wii in the library every lunch time for the week. In week 4 the trophy was won by 1/2C.

Well Done!

It has been wonderful to see so many students receiving stickers, certificates, Gotchas and other rewards for their wonderful behaviour. A big well done goes to Jorja Delaforce, Banjo Perry, Staysha Crook, Giorja Warner, Banjo Perry, Kaelin Savage, Blake Baden and Giorja Warner who received a drink bottle or Frisbee for filling up their sticker chart.

Congratulations to the wonderful students who received Student of the Week awards on Parade. It is great to see so many of our students working hard to achieve great things in class. They were:

Emily Kiernan
Tyler Searle
Sienna Mann
JJ Wilkes
Kira Thompson-Darcy
Blake Spicer
Trent Kelson

Andrew Hankin
Bodhi Watt
Naomi Millar
Marshall Law
Jorja Delaforce
Zac Jones

Our rule focus for week 7 and 8 is:

Be Safe, Respectful in all settings by:

✓ Speak respectfully to each other
✓ Use kind words not hurtful comments
✓ Using your words to solve problems in a calm way
✓ Use language that is acceptable at school

Mrs Anne Carlaw
Head of Curriculum

CLASSES FOR NEXT YEAR
We are currently looking at our class composition for next year. If you are leaving the island and will no longer have students attending our school, please let us know as soon as possible. This is to ensure that our class make up is correct and balanced. If you know of someone that will be attending our school next year, please ask them to contact the office on 3400 8333.

MAKING EVERY DAY COUNT
As we near the end of the school year, it’s important to remember that all students are required to attend school every day until the end of term which is 13 December 2013. Not only is attendance at school a legal requirement, but being at school helps students to achieve more and builds social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience. For more information, visit http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts.
PREP OPEN DAY

20\textsuperscript{th} NOVEMBER 2013
From 1.00pm - 2.45pm.

Come along and see how the Prep room operates. Check out the facilities and talk to the staff.

If your child is eligible to start in Prep next year, now is the time to look at enrolment!

A birth certificate will need to be sighted and copied before your child can begin Prep in 2014.