COMING EVENTS:

JANUARY
Thurs 26th—Public Holiday

FEBRUARY
Wed 1st—Playgroup
Wed 6th—Playgroup
Wed 15th—Playgroup
Wed 15th—P&C Meeting 6pm
Wed 15th—Playgroup
Wed 22nd—Playgroup

MARCH
Wed 1st—Playgroup
Wed 8th—Playgroup
Wed 15th—Playgroup
Wed 22nd—Playgroup
Wed 29th—Playgroup
Fri—31st End of Term One

APRIL
Mon 17th—Public Holiday (Easter Monday)
Tues 18th—Term Two starts
Fri 21st—Dalby Show Holiday
Tues 25th—Public Holiday (Anzac Day)

SCHOOL WATCH PHONE NUMBER—131788

Office Hours:
Tues 8am-2.00pm
Thurs 8am-2.00pm

All items for the Wednesday Newsletter must be received by 3pm Tuesday Afternoon. These can be emailed to amorg140@eq.edu.au or alternatively by phone or fax.

Principal’s Message:

Welcome Back 2017
It has been a settled and enjoyable start to 2017. The students are back to work already and we have had a chance to review our focus for this year. Over the past years the students have made fantastic progress with reading and again this year we will build on the gains made with numeracy. We are very fortunate to have a great group of students and look forward to the coming term and all that it will bring.

I would like to welcome our new Prep student this year, Ava Wise. She is very familiar with the school and has settled in very quickly. Ollie Curtis has joined us in year 1 and has teamed up with the rest of the year ones already. Kelly Carrol has started at high school this week and enjoys her time there, all the best Kelly. We would like to farewell Drew and Brooke and hope they enjoy their new school.

Staffing for this year will largely stay the same, with Japanese Language teacher Mrs Sponder will be coming on Friday this year a change from Tuesday last year. Mrs Murphy will still be our music teacher and Mrs Marley-Quinn will continue with PE on a Wednesday. New staff this year is Kylee Cooke taking the admin day and supporting the schools programing.

This year our core focus will continue to be numeracy. Each focus is not necessarily because we as a school do poorly in that area, but rather the area that we can make the most improvement. As with every school year we are holding out for Day 8 to see how the staffing will be impacted. Like every school we will then finalise staffing after the student count.

Kitchen Garden will continue this year. This year we hope to have Mrs Wise take a bigger role in the program and help build the garden. She has already been thinking of ways to move things forward, and has done a lot of work over the break. Thank you Fallon.

Playgroup
Playgroup is on next week. Each Wednesday from 9.00 am to 11.00 am. We look forward to seeing all our playgroup children back in 2017.

School and Home
School library borrowing for our students will continue to be on Monday afternoons. The mobile council library will return on the 14th of February. Homework starts next week. We will start with spelling and reading and sight-words for the younger students.

Our sport this term will be tennis, and we are hoping to start early and run 9 to 10 sessions this term.

Australia Day
Don’t forget that this Thursday is a public holiday. Enjoy Australia Day, a timely break for younger students on their first week back.

Michael Sutton,
Principal.
Welcome back to Term One for 2017. I hope everyone had a lovely holiday. Playgroup will resume next Wednesday 1st February. Please remember everyone is welcome.

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