



SCHOOL TALK

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL, FLAGSTONECREEKSTATESCHOOL

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Tuesday, 23 October, 2018

Happy State Education Week 2018

This week provides everyone with the opportunity to celebrate the great things that are happening in our school communities across the state.

The week will culminate on Friday with World Teachers' Day – a time to thank and acknowledge the tireless work of the over 50,000 teachers who inspire our students every day.

I truly value the hard work that you all do, day-in day-out and again wish you all a very happy State Education Week and World Teachers' Day.

Grace Grace MP
Minister for Education and Minister for Industrial Relations

School Opinion Survey Results

The full results of the 2018 School Opinion Survey are being sent home to all families today. They are also available from the school website at

<https://flagcreess.eq.edu.au/Supportandresources/Formsanddocuments/Documents/school-opinion-survey-report.pdf>

Again this year, the results are excellent and will be discussed at the November P&C Meeting.

Essilor Gold Coin Day - 31 October

The Essilor Vision Foundation visited our school earlier this year to provide free vision screening to students. Where prescription spectacles were required, they were provided at no cost to families.

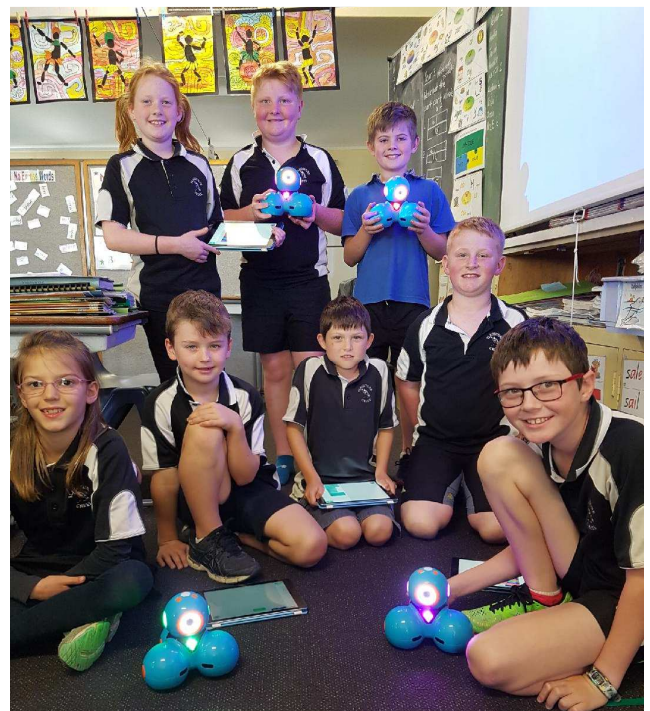
The P&C will support the Essilor Vision Foundation with a Free Dress/Gold Coin Donation Day for **World Sight Day 2018**.

Students are invited to wear free dress and bring a gold coin donation on Wednesday, 31 October.

Digital Technologies

Our Digital Technologies teacher, Mr Shane Krog, visits our school for half a day each Monday.

This Term, Years 3/4 are investigating and learning to program Dash and Dot while the Prep – Year 2 class is working with Bee Bots.



School Swimming Caps Now Available

Premium silicon swimming caps printed with the school logo are now available from the school office for \$12.00.

Pre-Prep Group Next Week

The **Pre-Prep Group** will meet on Wednesday, 31 October, from 9.00am to 11.00am.

Year 6 to 7 Transition Afternoons Centenary Heights SHS

Interface afternoons will be held for Year 6 students who will be attending Centenary Heights SHS in 2019. The sessions will be conducted on Tuesday afternoons – November 13, 20 and 27 – from 1:20pm to 2:40pm. Parents are to drop children off to Mr Tim O’Connell (Year 7 Coordinator) at the South Street gate.

Hip Hop Dance – Thursdays - Lunch Break

Miss Shandelle’s Hip Hop sessions will continue to be held at lunch time, every Thursday, for the rest of the term.

Athletics – Term 4

Athletics with Kirsten Murry will continue this Term. Kirsten will visit during the lunch break this Friday, 26 October, then move to the usual Monday morning slot, at 8.00am, starting next Monday, 29 October.

Book Club

Book Club order forms are attached. If you would like to place an order, payment can be made by:

1. **Cheque** payable to **Scholastic Australia**. Attach cheque to order form and return to the school **OR**
2. **Credit Card** – Our school is now in the LOOP. Follow the instructions on the order form. There is no need to return anything to the school.

If you wish to place an order and need assistance with the ordering process do not hesitate to contact Helen in the office. Orders need to be placed by this Thursday, 25 October.

Parentline Support Service

The Department has extended its support of the Parentline service. It is a universal, confidential 'virtual' support service for parents and carers of children aged up to eight years.

Parentline;

- Provides telephone counselling and support seven days a week and web chat on Tuesday and Thursday
- Distributes information and advice for parents via website, social media, events and online forums
- Offers ongoing counselling and/or case management
- Refers to other support services, including child and maternal health, family counselling, emergency services and parent support groups

Parentline is available on 1300 301 300 or visit the website at www.parentline.com.au

Same Day Absence Notification

If your child will be absent from school, please notify the school before 9.00am by phoning 46975193. If the Office is unattended, please leave a voice message.

School Bus Contact Phone Number

If your child is not going to use the school bus any morning, please contact the school bus operators – preferably by text message - 0428 845 417 - before 7.30am

DATES TO REMEMBER



Term 4, 2018

Monday	29 October	8am - Athletics with Kirsten Murry
Monday	29 October	Speech Language Pathologist Visit (am)
Tuesday	30 October	Swimming Lesson 3
Wednesday	31 October	Free Dress Day/ Gold Coin Donation – 2108 World Sight Day
Wednesday	31 October	Pre-Prep Day
Thursday	1 November	Adopt-A-Cop Welcome Afternoon Tea - 2.30pm to 3.00pm
Tuesday	6 November	Swimming Lesson 4
Tuesday	13 November	Swimming Lesson 5
Tuesday	13 November	Year 6 Interface Afternoon CHSHS 1.20pm to 2.40pm
Wednesday	14 November	P&C Meeting – 7.00pm
Tuesday	20 November	Year 6 Interface Afternoon CHSHS 1.20pm to 2.40pm
Thursday	25 November	Book Club Orders Due
Tuesday	27 November	Year 6 Interface Afternoon CHSHS 1.20pm to 2.40pm
Thursday	29 November	Caffey Swimming Carnival
Friday	30 November	Prep to Year 6 Excursion to Scenic Rim
Wednesday	12 December	Break-Up BBQ + Concert – 6.00pm
Friday	14 December	End of Term 4