From the Principal

Dear Norris Road Community,

We were successful in meeting the requirements for our second Deputy Principal – 700 students. We finished Day 8 (last Thursday) with 702 students. This growth has been significant for our community. In the last 18 months we have had to use the last remaining spare classroom spaces for designated teaching spaces. This year we have had to re-purpose the Music space to accommodate a teaching space. We have enrolled students only in our catchment. This growth has also necessitated two space moves for the P&C as well. We do appreciate this has impacted many and frustrations have grown.

2018 School Leaders

Congratulations to our Year 6 student Leaders this year. Names were announced and badges were handed out at last week’s assembly.

Our Student Leaders for this year are:

Captains:
Faith Anderson, Emma Bishop, Isaac Pryce-Davies and Hudson Verrall

Sport Captains:
Isabella Newham and Liam Kohn (Apollo)
Jakob Budd and Axel Widdon (Pegasus)
Aliyah Powell and Prabhjot Kaur (Zeus)

Music Captains:
Madeleine Sears, Jackson Werner, Gabrielle Warner and Keira McFadzen
New Classroom Building – Year 2
I have spoken with Facilities Branch and have been given the confirmation that our new classrooms have been approved by Central Office. What is unsure is the time frame. I anticipate knowing more and will share this at the Parent /Teacher evening next Monday. A final decision will be made at this meeting.

First Nations Meeting – Yarning Circle
Welcome to our new faces and names this year. We are underway with the first 14 aspects of the Reconciliation Action Plan and will begin the process of transforming the 'garden' space outside the Library into a yarning circle. If you have ideas to contribute, please come along to the area outside the Library on Friday morning 8:30 a.m. to share these.

Independent Public School (IPS) Council
The Council will meet tonight prior to the P&C meeting.

Student Absence
Please either leave a message on the school phone (3261 0777) or email admin@norroadss.eq.edu.au. Please DO NOT email principal@norroadss.eq.edu.au.

Bus Transport
Effective as of Wednesday 7 February 2018, the school bus run 6841 will reflect TransLink approved amendments that will impact students travelling to school. The changes will be a combination of both timing changes and route changes. Parents and students can also reference the TransLink journey planner page on the TransLink website, https://jp.translink.com.au/plan-your-journey/journey-planner
TransLink, will ensure they assist in the communication of these changes by providing the drivers with flyers to hand out to the students from this week, as well as reminders for the first two weeks of the new service.

Celebration of Learning
Our Year 3 and 5 students have all participated in NAPLAN practise tests. The aim of this was to provide all teachers with data around strengths and areas of focused learning and teaching. Resilience and persistence were demonstrated by all.

Point for Reflection
One of the greatest growth mindsets you can have is the POWER of YET. You may not have become the person you wish to become yet, but knowing that you can become your best possible you by learning new things and using your strengths to grow your brain's ability, will power your efforts.

Shannon Lusk
Principal
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Note that ‘Get Started’ Vouchers are now open for allocation. Your child may be eligible for $150 voucher that can be used to pay sports club registration. For further details on this Qld Government initiative, please refer to the flyer included in the last newsletter.

See you ‘down the track’,
Liza Dunlop, P-3 P.E. Teacher

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2018 Parent Information Sessions
Monday 12 February 2018

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EARLY DEPARTURES

Students leaving early from school (before the 2:30 p.m. bell) are required to be signed out in the early departure log book in the office and collected by their parent/carer at the office.

STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE CLASSROOM.

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Rolls are marked at 8.30 a.m. If your child arrives at school later than 8.30 a.m. they need to come to the office for a late slip. Students who are late to school after 9.00 a.m. need to be ‘checked in’ by a parent. So we can be sure students are not truant, we need parents to either accompany their child or ring and inform the school of their child’s late arrival after 9.00 a.m.
**BPOINT Payments for Parents**  
**Parent Initiated Internet Payments**  
(Visa or MasterCard branded credit and debit cards)

**Step: 1**  
The BPOINT link is available on the School website.  
Or type in the link https://www.BPOINT.com.au/payments/dete into your web browser. Make sure the dete is at the end of the link this will ensure you have the correct biller code.  
The Web Link is also available on your invoice.

**Step: 2**  
Enter payment information into the display fields, CRN, invoice number, student name and amount. This information can be found on the invoice provided to you by your school.

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**BPOINT IVR**  
(Interactive Voice Response)  
**Telephone Payments**

OneSchool Invoices have been updated to include the BPOINT IVR number - 1300 631 073 for parent/customers to call and make payments. Please quote CRN and invoice number from the BPOINT box on the left of the invoice.

Parents/customers wanting to pay via a credit/debit card, to a secure BPOINT line which will collect the payment  
School’s automatically receive the money like all other BPOINT Payments.

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**SCHOOL PHOTOS**  
School photos will be taken on 26 & 27 February, individual envelopes will shortly be distributed to students with their name, class and individual ID No on it. Please note money and the envelope is only to be brought to school on the day of the student’s photo. Please read information below from Capricorn Photography.

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**Norris Road State School Assessment Booklets 2018**  
Assessment Booklets have been distributed to students. Thank you to parents/caregivers who have paid either through the office or with EDSCO stationery order. If you have not paid please pay $15 at the office between 8.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m. daily by 16 February 2018. You can pay by eftpos, cash or credit card.
SPORT
Good luck to the 13 swimmers who are representing the school this Friday, 9 February at the District Swimming Trials.

District Trials
Throughout the year there will be District Trials held for various sports. Most of these trials will be open for 11 and 12 year olds. Some of the District Trials (Swimming, Cross Country, Track and Field) will be open for 9 to 12 year olds.

If your child attends a District Trial they must have very good skills in the chosen activity. They must also pay a $12 District Nomination Fee and they must bring permission forms to the trials. The $12 District Nomination Fee for Swimming, Cross Country and Track and Field is paid to the school. All other District Nomination Fees are paid online.

NO FEES PAID = NO TRIAL

Forms for District Trials need to be returned to school and will be signed by the Principal. They will be stamped with a school stamp and returned to your child so they can take them to the District Trials.

NO FORMS = NO TRIAL
(The only forms that the school will take to District Trials are for Cross Country and Track and Field as these are the only trials where we send staff members.)

Interschool Sport 2018.

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Permission Letters for Interschool Sport: A letter will be sent home this week with all students in Years 4, 5, and 6 who have elected to play Interschool Sport for Term 1.

Interschool fixtures begin on Friday 16 February. Permission notes and payment or part-payment of participation fees are due by Wednesday 14 February.

DATE CLAIMER
Assessment Books $15
Interschool Sport Yrs 4-6 $55.00
First Instalment - $25 - Due 15 February
Second Instalment - $20 – Due 1 March
Final Payment $10 – Due 15 March
FROM CHAPPY REll
Welcome back to all our returning staff, parents and students. It has been lovely to reconnect with so many of my friends over the past couple of weeks! For all our new staff, parents and students I’d like to take this opportunity to welcome you all and to introduce myself.

My name is Narelle O’Dea (aka Chappy Reil) and I am the School Chaplain. I have a diverse role within the school but, simply put, my job is to be a friend to everyone. That means you might see me delivering “Friday Flowers” to encourage a staff member, hanging out in the playground with whoever wants a chat, facilitating social or leadership skills groups, helping out in classrooms, supporting a student dealing with difficult life circumstances such as parental separation or just having a cuppa with a parent. If you ever feel that you or your child could do with an extra friend in school please get in touch via the office or email me at narelleo@chappy.org.au. I am here every Wednesday and Friday.

FREE FRUIT FRIDAYS
One of the most popular things I did in school last year was to give out bananas every Friday. So I am very pleased to say that our free fruit program will be continuing in 2018 thanks to the generous support of Rode Fresh Fruit Shop. A huge thank you to Vince and the staff for their support. Cheers, Chappy Reil

COLES – SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS
Coles is giving schools the opportunity to earn sports gear just by collecting vouchers and Norris Road State School has registered for the program. For every $10 spent at Coles customers will receive one Sports for Schools voucher. Vouchers can be placed in a special collection bin at the school office. So start collecting your vouchers now.

COME AND LOOK AT THE YEAR 1 DISPLAY IN THE ADMINISTRATION FOYER
Dear Parents & Students of Norris Road State School,

School photos are on Monday 26 and Tuesday 27 February. Photos will be taken of all classes and individual portraits Prep to Year 6, special groups and requested family photos.

Soon all students will receive their own unique envelope. It is very important you keep this safe as it has Unique ID that you need to order online!

Paying Online
2. Ensure the ‘envelope’ tab is selected.
3. Enter the Unique ID Code from your envelope to login to our secure shopping cart.
4. Complete your order and write the receipt number on the back of the envelope.
5. Hand this envelope to the photographer on the day of the student’s individual photo.
   ❖ Siblings need to be ordered separately. eg. Login, complete your order, log out and then log back in with the next child’s code and so on.
   ❖ Family photos need to be ordered with the oldest siblings order. You will also need to fill out and hand in a yellow Family envelope. You can collect the yellow envelope from the office. If you do not fill out a yellow envelope, their family photo may not get taken.

Paying with cash
1. Complete both sides of the envelope.
2. Enclose your cash payment with the correct change (no change given).
3. Hand this envelope to the photographer on the day of the student’s individual photo.
   ❖ Siblings need to be ordered separately. eg. hand in both envelopes.
   ❖ Family photos need to be ordered separately on the yellow envelope with the oldest siblings order. You can collect the yellow envelope from the office. If you do not fill out a yellow envelope their family photo may not get taken.

**Please check that your student’s name is spelt correctly on the prepaid envelope as this is how it will appear at the bottom of the class photo.**
PRODUCT PRICELIST 2017

Value Packs:
Value Pack - Mega (class photo plus Mega portrait set)............................... $35.00
Value Pack - Standard (class photo plus Standard portrait set).................. $33.00
Value Pack - Mini (class photo plus Mini portrait set)................................ $29.00

Class Group .................................................................................................................. $19.00

Special Groups (School Leaders, Band etc)............................................................... $15.00

NEW - Class and Portrait Folder ................................................................. $29.00
          (8x12 inch laminated, presentation folder with the student’s individual portrait & class photo)

Portrait Sets:
Mega set: (Mini & Standard sets + two 5x7s, 4 Key ring size and 6 locket size)..... $25.00
Standard set: (Mini set + two 5” x 3 ½”, 3 mini wallets, Calendar).................... $23.00
Mini set: (One 5x7”, two wallets and bookmark)....................................................... $19.00

Family Photos:
Mini Family Set (One 5x7” and four wallets)..................................................... $19.00
Standard Family Set (Mini set + One 6x4”, two 5x3.5” and two bookmarks)...... $23.00
Mega Family Set (Mini & Standard sets + two 5x7s, 4 key ring size and 6 locket size). $25.00

Please note that we have a money-back guarantee. If anyone is unhappy with his/her photo/s, please post photo/s back to us within 14 days, and we will cheerfully refund your money.

Kind Regards,

The Capricorn Photography Team
www.capricornphotography.com.au
Dear Parents and Carers,

The best gift we can give our children is the love of books and the joy and benefits of independent reading. Our school participates in the Scholastic Book Club. Twice a Term your child will bring home a Club catalogue with a wide selection of books offered for all ages and reading abilities starting from as little as $2.

It is easy to order, you can either order and pay online using the LOOP system or fill in the order form and return it to school with your money or a cheque. Your child's books will be delivered to their class.

Each order helps towards earning free books for our school library.

Issue 1 Book Club catalogues have been sent home, if you would like to place an order, they are due in Friday 16 February 2018 at 9.00 a.m. (late orders will not be processed and will be returned to the child).

If you are paying with cash/cheque then please ensure your orders:
- Are in a sealed envelope marked 'Book Club' and include your payment
- Have the students name and class clearly written on the order form to ensure correct delivery
- Are placed into the P&C slot in the school office before the cut off day and time

Payment can be made:
- cash (correct amount please)
- cheque (payable to 'Scholastic Australia')
- credit card (follow the LOOP instructions on the order form)

If you have any questions, please contact Robyn 0406 589 005
Uniform Shop Update

**Interschool Sports Shirts:** These are personalised shirts with your child's name and specially chosen number on the back. They are worn by Years 4 - 6 for Interschool Sports on a Friday and cost $40. If you would like to order one, please come and choose your number at the Uniform Shop to make sure that the number you want is available.

**Performing Arts Shirts:** These are personalised shirts with your child's name on the back. They are worn by Senior Choir members in Years 3 - 6 and Instrumental Band members in Years 4 - 6 and cost $40.

**School Jackets:** We offer a light weight zip up jacket with NORRIS ROAD STATE SCHOOL printed on the back as an alternative to our regular school jumper. We have samples in the Uniform Shop to look at and try on. They cost $70 or $75 with your child's name printed on the back.

Our Uniform Shop is open on a Wednesday afternoon from 2.00 - 3.00 p.m. and a Friday morning from 8.00 - 9.00 a.m.

All the above mentioned uniform items need to be ordered by **Friday 16 February 2018**.

Thank you, NRSS Uniform Shop

Banking

Just a reminder banking day will be changing to **MONDAY** as of **March 5**.

Banking rewards can take up to two weeks to be returned to the school once redeemed. As soon as we receive them we distribute them to the children.

If you have any queries or would like more information on School Banking please come and see me in the P&C kitchen in the Hall on a Wednesday till the end of February. Then in the Library as of March on a Monday.

QUEENSLAND TRANSPORT

**STOP**

**Important information: school crossings**

Today a familiar sight around schools is the School Crossing Supervisor. Their role is to ensure that pedestrians who cross the road at the school crossing do so in a safe manner.

They use a hand-held stop sign to stop traffic and allow pedestrians to cross the road safely. You must stop and wait until all pedestrians have crossed the road and the School Crossing Supervisor has returned to the footpath.

When children's crossing flags are on display, you must stop and give way to any pedestrians on or entering the crossing (regardless of whether a School Crossing Supervisor is present or not).

Around schools, slow down, observe speed limits and obey directions from School Crossing Supervisors.

Keep our kids and our School Crossing Supervisors safe.