Date: 27 January 2017

Date Claimers:

Monday 30 January 2017
Basketball P-2 2.45-3.45pm

Tuesday 31 January 2017
Uniform Shop Open 8.30-9.30am
Basketball Yr 3-6

Thursday 2 February 2017
Soccer 2.45-4.00pm
Uniform Shop CLOSED

Monday 6 February 2017
P&C Annual General Meeting 3.00pm Library
Year 4 Cake Stall First Break

From the Principal’s desk..
Welcome back everyone! We have had a great start to the 2017 school year.
Thank you to all the parents and carers who have ensured their child/ren started the year with full school uniform with black shoes and neatly combed and/or trimmed hair. Those with long hair are doing an especially good job of keep their hair tied back each day, with some very creative plaits, braiding and pinning. It was such a joy to see them all together on Wednesday afternoon parade, proudly sitting in uniform with their new class mates.

Enrolments for 2017- Please, please please…if you know of any child who will be attending our school this term, even if they have yet to move into a home etc, let the office staff know by either phoning 34009333 or calling into the office. Our school is funded based on the number of children we have enrolled. Prep is now compulsory so any child born from 1/7/2011 to 30/6/20012 must be enrolled at school.

Books and Stationary Items – a number of children are yet to bring the books and other stationary items on their class Booklist. Please ensure your child has the items they need. They will be used or stored until needed in their classroom and kept only for their use.

A couple of parents have told me that they will have the items by next week and it is good that they have contacted the school to keep us informed. If you need to do this please call the school asap. Parents of children who do not have the items they need will be phoned next Wednesday to enquire as to when they will have them.

Newsletter – this is the last paper newsletter that your child will be given. As with many other schools and to save the unnecessary use of paper and to increase the opportunity for you to get them (they often stay lost at the bottom of school bags, desks or in the gardens) newsletters will be emailed to families who have an email address recorded at the school. You can contact the office if you wish to add or update your email. From next week, the newsletter:

- will be emailed (if we have your email address).
- can be viewed on the school website. https://russislass.eq.edu.au/Calendarandnews/Newsletters/Pages/Newsletters.aspx
- can be viewed from the QSchools app that can be downloaded to your phone or iPad/tablet (you then choose Russell Island SS to add to your favourites).
- can be collected from the administration office, if you still require a paper copy.

Air Conditioners – A huge thank you to our hard working P&C and our wonderfully supportive school community for ensuring that every child is learning in an air-conditioned classroom. Year 3 has had a couple of days without AC, because of a faulty unit that will be replaced early next week. Thank you Aaron, Paul and the rest of the team who ensured our dream came true! Children are happy in their classrooms, focussing on their learning (not on how hot they are!) and we have had the best attendance ever!
P&C News:
Please note: Uniform Shop closed 2 Feb

Play 2 Learn
Come and join us at our free Play2Learn Russell Island Playgroup at Barge Park (next to barge) Tuesday 9.30 – 11.30 am Groups throughout school holidays, 0-12 age group.

Cake Stall
Monday the 6th of February 1st Break
We are raising money for a year 4 and 5 incursion to take place in Term 2.
Items will range from 50c to $2.
Further reminders will be given.
Debbie Keynes