Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Installation of Amplification System - SAS

Following a trial in 2016 across three classes, we have decided to install a sound amplification system (SAS) in all of our 22 classrooms. The impact on your child’s hearing in the classroom is immediate, regardless of where they are positioned in the classroom.

I experienced first-hand the increase in volume and clarity of the teacher’s voice while sitting at the back of the classroom. “Phonak” system also enables our students with a hearing device to connect directly with the speaker.

This significant investment will support learning in the classroom while catering for students with hearing difficulties or a hearing impairment. Please provide feedback to your child’s teacher regarding the SAS and who it impacts your child’s learning.

Our school review - an opportunity to have your say

Our school is scheduled for a school review from 16th March to 20th March 2017. The Department of Education and Training introduced new performance reviews for Queensland state schools in 2015. The reviews are conducted by the department’s School Improvement Unit. The reviews do not rate or compare schools but provide independent and quality feedback to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students. All schools have a review at least every four years. Key findings from the review are made available to parents and the community on the school’s website.

As part of the review, the review team would like to hear from our school community and I encourage anyone who is interested to have their say. Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for students. Feedback can be provided to the review team by phone or in person. All feedback remains confidential. If you are interested in speaking to the reviewers, or would like more information about the review process, please contact the school office or email the review team at SIUMB@dete.qld.gov.au

Further information about the reviews is available from the department’s website at: schoolreviews.eq.edu.au

“Meet and Greet”

We have had a great response to our “Meet and Greet” afternoons last week, this is an opportunity to establish a partnership with your new child’s teacher for 2017.

I have attended each year level meeting and appreciate the time parents have taken to establish this important partnership with the school.
Dear Parents and Carers,

My message this week is very short and simple and it relates to road safety.

We have had a fantastic start to the school year that has been marred by ongoing reports from staff, parents, carers and students, of ongoing near misses between children and traffic as they arrive and leave the school grounds.

The message is simple - Follow road rules to stay safe.

When pedestrians are involved in road accidents, the results are often devastating and always traumatic. If your child needs to cross the road to get to school, please, please, please - ensure they do so safely at designated crossings.

It is just as dangerous and unacceptable to cross the road with your child if you are outside of supervised crossings.

Our School based police officer will regularly supervise the areas outside of our school to support our efforts to keep your children safe.

Road safety is everyone’s business - please play your part to keep your children safe.
Our school motto is “Through Knowledge We Grow” and Prep students couldn’t agree more. Already in three weeks our Prep students have grown and learnt so much. They have been learning about numbers 1 to 10, matching and sorting numbers and AB patterns. They have also been learning about the letters ‘m’ and ‘a’ and the sounds they make and have even started looking at the word ‘the’.

Miss Atkinson, Mrs Woodward and Miss Zhang are so impressed with how quickly the students have adjusted to being at school and are very proud of the progress they have made.

Well done Preppies!!!

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NEWSLETTER 13 February 2017 NATIONAL APOLOGY DAY
POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING (PBL)

Inala Peace Pals are: 
Responsible, Respectful Learners

As the school year begins we have reviewed the rules for safety before school. It is expected that students arrive at school before the bell (but no earlier than 8:00am please), make safe choices as they arrive at school and find a safe place to wait or play such as:

- Outside classroom - ground level rooms only
- Courtyard
- Breakfast Club
- Below B or C block
- Outside the office.

Positive Behaviour Learning Passports

Every student at Inala State School has a Positive Behaviour Learning Passport. In order to earn stamps on their passport students can earn tokens for making good choices.

Blue tokens for good choices in the classroom

Green tokens for good choices in the playground

Yellow tokens for good choices in specialist classes

Students have their passports stamped by their classroom teachers and when the passport is full they are eligible for four levels of reward according to the number of passports they have completed.

First Passport - Blue Reward
Second Passport - Red Reward
Third Passport - Yellow Reward
Fourth Passport - Green Reward

Some students have completed nearly half of their first passport already!
Watch this space for news of our revamped rewards system as the year progresses.

Coming Events February / March 2017

13/02  NATIONAL APOLOGY DAY
20/02  Kummara Yarn Afternoon Tea
22/02  Met West Swimming Carnival
08/03  International Women’s Day
20/03  Harmony Day
22/03  School Photos
24/03  PCYC Disco
24/03  Rewards Day
31/03  Last Day of Term 1

ADVERTISING

A reminder to parents and caregivers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to join the Kummara team for a yarn about their program and services available to families.

Where: Inala State School H Block
When: Monday 20 February 2017
Time: 2:45pm to 3:45pm
Afternoon tea provided
RSVP: School Office in Person or Ph: 3327 0777 Refer Ros Cann -Admin

Parents and Caregivers,

Does your child need more school work assistance? More reading time?
Access to school computers after school?
Then come along to homework club.

When: WEDNESDAYS
Time: 2:45pm to 3:45pm
Where: D BLOCK—ROOM 1H
All year levels welcome—maximum of 20 students.