Dear Parents and Community Members,

It is another refreshing day at Ravenshoe – bit cooler, but the storm clouds are gathering…….hopefully!

This will probably be my last Newsletter comment as Principal of Ravenshoe State School P-12 so I’ll keep it to my usual brevity!

The students who attend our local school have every opportunity to prepare for a future that will see them participating as equals of those students who engage in school curriculum across this nation.

We all - parents, school staff, community and family members – have an important part to play in the development of the children in this community.

Some have more significant roles than others – but – every bit of care counts.

I leave satisfied that I have made an effort to improve the lives of the students who have attended Ravenshoe State School P-12. Getting to know the students, seeing the positive gains that this school has made, and working with a varied and generally committed staff has been my great reward.

I thank those who have appreciated and supported our journey to enhance this school’s reputation as a learning place.

Enjoy a safe festive season and remember the great joy and responsibility you have been given as family leaders.

See you around.

Regards,

HENRY CONDON
Principal

Ravenshoe State School P-12 acknowledges the Traditional Custodians, the Jirrbal tribe, of the country in which this school is located and pays respect to their Elders past and present.
From the Primary

Term 4 Week 9

The end of the school year is only a week away. Our year on the Primary Campus has flown by so quickly with so much happening. I have thoroughly enjoyed my year at RSS P-12 and have learnt so much along the way. It has been a privilege getting to know staff, parents and students. I look forward to building upon these foundations in 2016.

On Monday, I had the privilege of joining our 2015 School/Vice Captains as they presented an overview of 2015 at the Mareeba/Malanda Primary Cluster Leaders’ Day. Liam, Saraiah, Rochelle and Brylee represented our school with pride and were fantastic ambassadors for our school. Liam even went on to conquer his fear of heights at the giant swing at Tinaroo.

On Tuesday, our 2015 School/Vice Captains presented this speech again at our Primary Campus before our future 2016 leaders gave their speeches. The speeches presented by our Year 5 students wishing to secure 2016 leadership positions were well presented. All students who spoke are to be commended on their effort.

For 2016, our leaders will be:
Zayden Crane – School Captain
Troy Walker – School Captain
Grace Brennan – Vice School Captain
Marco DeFaveri – Vice School Captain
Mia Markswood – Cedar Sports Captain
Noah Winter – Cedar Sports Captain
Felicity Harrison – Archer Sports Captain
Jayden Cross – Archer Sports Captain

There will be an Induction Ceremony early in Term 1 for our leaders.

Congratulations to our RATEP students who graduated yesterday in Cairns. All their hard work and efforts have enabled these students to achieve their goals.

On behalf of the Primary Campus, I like to wish our Principal, Henry Condon, all the best on his next venture. Henry has instilled a culture and sense of purpose in our school community through his leadership. His input, service and commitment to RSS P-12 has impacted not only on the school, but also the community. We look forward to visits from him in 2016.

May all staff, parents and their families have a relaxing, refreshing and enjoyable holiday season.

Kind Regards,

ANN-MAREE DUESBURY,
Deputy Principal – Primary
helping each other. On Wednesday this week, we celebrated high levels of attendance at school with Pancake Day. Students from all grades at the Primary school were served pancakes by 4 fantastic teacher aides and one grounds person. Thank you to Ms Liz, Ms Jacque, Ms Angie, Ms Kerry and Barry for your efforts in helping to make our day a better one.

Have a great Christmas everyone and never forget the awesome power that we all have to serve others.

Regards,

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HOD Junior Secondary

All new families to the Primary Campus in 2016 must book an enrolment interview with the Deputy Principal. Enrolment interviews will be conducted on February 10 and February 12 at 9.00 am. Please contact the school office on 40 975 222 to place your name into a session

SWPBL End of Year ipad draw will be held on Thursday, December 10 at the Primary end of year concert.

PRIMARY PARKING

Parents … please refrain from parking in the BUS ZONE or in front of the private residence next to the Primary Campus. PLEASE use the carparks available.

We have a new and improved hat for our kids from Prep to Year 12!!
Our new hats are reversible where you have your everyday school hat then you can turn it inside out on sports day where it will show your team name and colour!!
We are very excited about our new hats and hope that you love them too!!
Our hats are $15 and will be available from the office of both the Primary and Secondary campus in the new school year 😊

From the P&C.

A lasting memory!