PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Camp Hill is committed to providing our students with exceptional educational programs.

**Reading**
Reading is a complex process that builds on oral language and encompasses both specific skill development and the use of comprehension strategies.
In 2014 our school Literacy Coach and Lead Teacher/Reading participated in the Reading to Learn professional development program. The program was modelled in our Early Years’ classes and supported by scaffolded teaching to a group of Year 1 students. The success of the program led to the school making a commitment that all Camp Hill teachers will undertake the professional development program (12 months) and that our Coach and Lead Teacher will support the implementation of the program across campus.

While there is no one set ‘manual’ for the teaching of reading, research does indicate that teachers who have a deep understanding of the reading process are most able to explicitly teach and engage students.
We have been most fortunate in engaging the author of the program, Dr David Rose, to present the professional development sessions to our staff.
I am very excited about this program and am sure that our Camp Hill students will enjoy their investigations into literacy.

**P&C Contributions**
At the P&C February meeting it was confirmed that the P&C would support the school to install ICT infrastructure into our Multipurpose Hall to enable the school to use it for performances. This includes providing: a motorized drop down screen; a Sony laser projector (with no bulb, so that we will not require scissor-lifts to address future replacements); all associated items for operation; a new audio-desk; speakers (replacing one which ‘blew up’ at the Graduation ceremony last year); wireless microphones and; hand-held microphones. These resources will enable us to increase our capacity to cater for performances such as musicals, drama productions, choral evenings and, of course, our parades.
We were very fortunate in having the Hall built under the Commonwealth BER funds in 2011. At that time the school elected to build a Multipurpose, as opposed to a Performance, Hall as the multipurpose hall was identified as the facility that would be most used by our community.
The P&C, and the wonderful Fundraising team in 2014, have enabled us to outfit our hall with all the necessary equipment to enable us to use it as a performance facility.
I am hoping that we can install a plaque in the Hall acknowledging the fund raising efforts from 2014, including our Fair, as a message of thanks. We can acknowledge the power of community support for our school.
*Thank you to all our generous supporters.*

**Mandarin**
I am sure that many of our families are enjoying their sons/daughters new found skills in Mandarin. I had the most delightful experience when I visited a Prep class and all the children greeted me and then wished me a good day in Mandarin. I never cease to marvel at how easily younger children learn a second (or third) language.
Student Leaders
Last week our student leaders joined student leaders from other local state schools in a Leadership program at the Moreton Bay Environmental Education Centre. The students had the opportunity to learn more about themselves and to develop their skills in leadership in a range of settings. The students provided me with some wonderful feedback on the program and they highly recommend it for future leaders.

Warm regards
Deborah Driver

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Playground Areas Term 1
The Senior Campus has two break times from 11.00 -11:40 and 1:15 -1:45. Students play from 11:15-11:40 and 1:30 -1:45.

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Library - Monday – Wednesday before school and first break
Games Room – Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

The Junior Campus has two break times from 11.00 -11:40 and 1:15 -1:45. Students play from 11:15 -11:40 and 1:30 -1:45.

Library - Wednesday & Friday at first break
Construction Club – Thursday

Playground rosters change each term. Prep students will participate in the playground in Term 2 and the Year 2 students will share days on the Wiles Street Oval with Year 3 students.

Past Students’ Stories
Camp Hill provides a Sturdy Foundation.
Last week, our School Captain, Campbell was proud to share a ‘secret’ about his older sister Olivia. She had confided in him first about her big news. Olivia, a Year 11 student at Brisbane Girls Grammar School and past Camp Hill student, is one of only four finalists in the 2015 Queensland Music Awards – Schools Grade 6 – 12. (Keith Urban got his big start through the QMA awards). What makes this achievement even more outstanding is the fact that Olivia composed the music and lyrics then recorded the song herself. Congratulations Olivia! The Camp Hill community wish you all the best in the finals even though you are already a star to us. You can hear Olivia’s recording at the QMA site. www.qmusic.com.au/qldmusicawards/2015
Campbell’s class mates can’t wait to see what type of sports car he will drive when his big sister is famous?
Just as Campbell is proud of his sister, Mrs Heenan is very proud of her daughter, Michelle, who received the Indigenous Women’s Engineering Excellence Prize 2014 from the University of Queensland. This prize is awarded to the female engineering student who achieves the greatest proficiency in the Bachelor of Engineering Program. The prize is awarded to not only women in the Bachelor of Engineering but also the Master of Engineering or Bachelor of Engineering component of a Bachelor of Engineering dual program.

One of our former students, Isla Simpson who attends Cavendish Road High represented her school in District Swimming in four events.

ANZAC Day
In the last newsletter, Mrs Driver explained that there will be displays set up in the Ferguson Road Hall on ANZAC Day. The displays will be memorabilia about your family experiences/connections in regard to ANZACS or war. To set the process in action information about your family can be placed behind a glass panelled noticeboard on the Senior Campus. At present the information is about my husband’s grandfather. To give you some idea of the available space there are six A4 sheets on display. The school is looking forward to placing information about other families on the noticeboard.

Pam Dunbar

CHSIPS SCHOOL COUNCIL
The CHSIPS School Council has been created as part of becoming an Independent Public School. A few weeks ago the elected representatives of the Council gathered for the first time to meet and elect the Council Chairperson and Secretary. Over the last month members of the School Council have started to work through establishing its operational process and defining where it will spend its time over the coming year.

The primary role of the School Council is to work with the School Community on the strategic direction for the school and overview the overall performance of the school from year to year. It does not deal with the operational matters of the school as these are most appropriately handled by the Principal and staff of the school. The School Council is scheduled to meet once a term. Our overall focus is to monitor the overall performance of the school and ensure that our school strategic plan will create the fundamental educational building blocks our children require to ready them for future success in secondary school and life generally. We look forward to relaying more information about the work of the School Council as the year progresses.

Damien Colbert
School Council Chairperson

A SHARK CALLED C.H.I.P.S.
Earlier this year the Ocearch Project team gave students in Years 3 – 6 an inspirational talk about their shark tagging adventures. The team generously offered to allow our school to choose a name for the next shark they tagged on their expedition along the Queensland coast. After much brainstorming from our students, a short list was submitted to the team who then chose the final name. On February 12 the team tagged a shark off the coast of Cairns and named her C.H.I.P.S. She is a 2.9 metre Tiger Shark weighing 40 kilograms. Since being tagged, C.H.I.P.S. has been tracked enjoying the many wonderful coral reefs off the coast of Cairns. Our students will be able to use their geographical skills to observe the movement of C.H.I.P.S. and many other sharks, on the Ocearch website at www.ocearch.org. Happy tracking!

SPORTS NEWS
District Swimming Congratulations
Congratulations to the thirteen swimmers who represented Camp Hill SIPS at the recent district swimming trials. Many of the students swam personal best times and competed to the best of their ability.
A special acknowledgment goes to the five students who swam well enough to gain selection in the Lytton District swimming team:
Charlotte B – 50m Breaststroke, 100m Breaststroke & 50m Butterfly
Joren B-I - 100m Butterfly, 50m Butterfly & 100m Breaststroke
Brock R - 50m Breaststroke & 100m Breaststroke
Caden G - 100m Freestyle & 50m Freestyle
Lily C - 50m Backstroke

District Sport Trials
Students turning 10-12 years old in 2015 will have the opportunity to nominate for district sport trials. Lytton District is the first step of school representative sport. Successful students go on to compete at the Met East regional carnival trials. The level is competitive and it is suggested only students who have previous or current involvement in that particular sport express interest. There are a number of criteria considered when nominating students for district trials as schools are restricted by numbers. Sports on offer this term are:
Baseball
Girls & Boys Touch Football
Rugby League
Girls & Boys Basketball
Girls Hockey
Boys Softball
Girls & Boys Soccer
Tennis

School Cross Country
The school cross country carnival will be held on Friday 27 March. The following session times will apply:
Years 3 - 6  9.00am - 11.00am
Prep – Year 2  11.45am - 1.15pm
All races are inclusive and distances are set for the appropriate age group.

Years 3 - 6 Cross Country Training
Mr Bourke will be running school cross country training on Friday mornings beginning this Friday 27 February at 8.00am. The training will help students prepare for the school cross country at the end of term. This is also to prepare students interested in attending the Lytton District cross country trials early in Term 2. There is no cost for students to participate.

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Fair
Book Fair is on next week from Wednesday 4th to Monday 9th March.
Sir Read-a-lot and the Readers of the Round Table invite you all to join us at the Kings, Queens and Castles Book Fair in the Wonder Room D Block (Junior Campus). Families are able to purchase books to take home or donate to our school library.

Opening times
Wednesday 4th – Monday 9th March
Before School  8:15am - 9:00am
After School  3:00pm - 3:45pm

Grandparents & Special Friends Morning
Wednesday 4th March 9:00am – 11:00am

Playgroup Visits the Library
Last Monday our school playgroup visited the Junior Library for story time and to enable our littlest members to borrow a book! Making reading a part of everyday life starts early!
Catherine Howieson receiving her 2015 Griffith Australia Day Award from Ms Terry Butler MP (Member for Griffith) for her contributions to the Camp Hill Playgroup over a 10 year period

**GRANDPARENTS DAY**

Our annual Grandparents and Special Friends day has arrived! Next Wednesday, 4th March 2015 your child is invited to bring a special friend to visit their classroom. Many teachers have already claimed this date in their class newsletters and preparations have begun for a fun morning.

The P & C will be providing Morning Tea at the Junior Campus from 10:00am – 11:00am. Parent donations of a plate of sandwiches or cake would be appreciated.

Schedule of events….

**8:15am – 11:00am**
Visit to Book Fair in Wonder Room (Block D – Junior Campus)

**9:00am – 10:00am**
Junior Parade
Visit to Prep & Junior (Yr 1 & 2) classrooms

**10:00am – 11:00am**
Morning tea hosted at the Junior Campus (Visitors only, as children will be in class)
Visit to Primary classrooms (Years 3 - 6)
Visit to Book Fair in Wonder Room

Families are able to purchase books at the Book Fair or donate a book to our school library. All proceeds go toward providing resources for our school.

**HABITS OF MIND**

The children in the Junior Campus are learning more on how to be like ‘Connie Confidence’, especially when something is difficult to do. Discussions involve the challenges of daily activities such as using a knife and fork, brushing and flossing teeth properly and riding a push bike without training wheels. Great enjoyment is being had singing “You Can Do It”, which is a very catchy song with lots of important messages such as believing in yourself and being the best that you can be!

In the Senior Campus, the students have also enjoyed listening to the “You Can Do It” song, as they are interested in what their Junior Campus friends and in some cases siblings are doing.

The Year 5/6 and 6 classes are developing a clearer distinction between just hearing what someone is saying and actively listening with understanding. Focused activities on this topic have been enlightening and interesting for the students.

**KEEP CALM YOU CAN DO IT!**

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Volunteers (02/03/15 – 06/03/15)
Mon 02/03 Linsday Burgess
Tues 03/03 Gemma Hockey
Wed 04/03 HELP!
Thurs 05/03 Susannah Auld & Jo Fox
Fri 06/03 Denise Vincent, Sally CM & Suzy

New over the counter
Fruity Bits 50c
Wobblyes 20c
Sumo Cookies 50c

I would like to thank all the parents who have generously donated their time to help out in the tuckshop. Any time given is greatly appreciated but as always more is needed. If you can spare an hour or two in the mornings please call the tuckshop on 3900 9429 or drop in and speak to Sharyn.
WE NEED YOUR HELP

Our ANZAC monument is in need of an upgrade. If you are a tradie or handyman who would like to help, please contact the office on 3900 9333. Ideally we would like this small project completed in time for the upcoming 100th Anniversary.

CLEANING POSITION AVAILABLE

Permanent: 10 HOURS PER WEEK
Possibility of additional hours

Applications are invited for the position of cleaner at Camp Hill State Infants & Primary School.

A Role Description is available at either the Junior or Senior Campus Office. All applications must address the key selection criteria of the position description and be forwarded to: (deliver, mail or email ssaun79@eq.edu.au)

Marked ‘Private and Confidential’
The Business Services Manager
Camp Hill State Infants & Primary School
676 Old Cleveland Road
Camp Hill Qld 4152

Closing date for receipt of applications is March 20th.

BUSH DANCE POSTPONED

CAMP HILL STATE INFANTS AND PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C BRINGS YOU OUR 2015 WELCOME DAY EVENT

COUNTRY AND WESTERN

BUSH DANCE

Unfortunately due to a very wet & soggy oval and weather predictions of light rain or showers over the next 3 days we have decided to postpone the Welcome Day Bush Dance.
We will find an alternative date and advertise in the next couple of weeks.