16 October, 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Visit Our Website
Parents and community are encouraged to visit our website: www.upmtgravss.eq.edu.au

Our site has:

- Current newsletter
- Student notices
- Enrolment information
- Handbook
- Responsible Behaviour Plan
- School dates
- Links to YouTube with school movies
- Links to KidsMatter and You Can Do It!
Welcome back to term 4!

**Leaders Process**
We wish our Year 5 students the very best this term as they prepare themselves for student leadership applications. Students will have the opportunity to nominate for School Captain or House Captain for 2015. We will conduct School Captain interviews in week 5 and voting for House Captain positions in week 7. They will participate in a leadership transition process with the current leaders.

**Eat That Frog**
We will remind students this term to stay focussed and take every learning opportunity. Brian Tracey’s “Eat That Frog” mantra suggests that if you had to eat a frog every day then you would put it at the top or your To Do List. We watched this lovely YouTube clip on assembly last week. We discussed the importance of doing difficult tasks and prioritising things we need to do. Please watch this clip and discuss with your family. Procrastination stops us doing the things that matter.

Find the clip at [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OW7GB5Fh2XM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OW7GB5Fh2XM)

**Term 4 Swimming**
All students will have the opportunity to participate in our school based swimming program. Please remind your child to organise togs, towel, swimming cap, goggles, swim shirt and sunscreen.

**Grandparents Day**
It was marvellous to see the number of grandparents in the school this week. They were treated to some fantastic entertainment, classroom activities and a scrumptious morning tea.

Warm Regards

Derek Brady

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**DATE CLAIMERS**

**First Swim Club Night**
Friday 17 October

**Pupil Free Day**
20 October

**Year 4 Thunderbird Park Camp**
22 – 24 October
**Book Fair Garden**  
29 – 30 October

**Year 3 Sleepover**  
30 – 31 October

**Pitstop Car Wash**  
Saturday 1 November

**Special Parade**  
Thursday 13 November

**ROC Race**  
Friday 21 November

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**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

There are no students of the week for Week 1 and 2.

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**ADMINISTRATION NEWS**

**Twitter**
Upper Mt Gravatt State School is now on Twitter! Follow us @UPMTGSS for the latest school communication and updates.

**Parents of Band Students**
If any parents/grandparents/caregivers have photos of the band playing on parade from Grandparents Day, please send them to Lyndall Faragher on 0401758488 or copy them onto a disc and hand into the office.

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**SPORTS NEWS**

**Futsal**
During the September school holidays Ryley B (4B) Nodan T (6B), Toby K (6B) and Louie W (6B) travelled to Victoria as part of the Queensland Schools Futsal team that participated in the Fustal Australia schools championship. From this tournament there were several outstanding results; Toby and Louie’s team made it as far as the grand final where they unfortunately lost a tough game but were runners up. However, Louie earned the golden boot trophy for scoring the most goals in the tournament for an 11yr old boy. Outstanding performances from Nodan throughout the whole tournament saw him gain selection in the under 12’s All-star team which recognises the five best Futsal players in the tournament. Congratulations to all four boys for not only their selection in these Queensland teams but also for their fantastic efforts and achievements whilst participating in this tournament. All four boys have been selected to participate in Futsal tours to USA, Malaysia and Spain.
Nodan Thapa participated at the 2014 AFA National Schools Futsal Championships in Bendigo, Victoria from 29 September to 2 October. Nodan’s team played great futsal to win 8 of their 9 group matches and finish first in the group stage. The team proceeded to the finals however were knocked out in their semi final. The coach said that Nodan was a valuable member of the team, both on and off the court. "Each team member made a great effort during training and the competition and worked well together", he said. "Nodan showed great sportsmanship and was an outstanding representative of his school and family".

Nodan was also selected as an "All Star" team member for his age group. This team of 5 players is selected from all players in their age group by the coaches. Players are chosen on skill, team work and sportsmanship. For his selection, Nodan will invited to travel on an international tour to Barcelona with the Australian U13 Boy's Futsal Team.

Regards,

Stephen Good
HPE Teacher

CHAPPY'S CHAT
Greetings and hope everyone had a refreshing holiday. We had an enjoyable time at home and yes, the monster trucks at Monster Jam were loud and cool!

**What’s the latest?**

We have lots happening this term with play-based activities to continue to build our children’s friendships and confidence. I am planning some special events for the Grade 6 and 7 students to celebrate their last year at Primary School and will distribute the invitations shortly.

**Breakfast Club**

Every Wednesday  
8.00-8.30am  
Either at or behind the Tuckshop area  
Free toast and milo  
Free tea/coffee for parents/caregivers  

It’s great to see our children enjoying a good breakfast on Wednesdays so they can have their best start for their school day. Thanks Kids Hope Team!

**Lost Property**

Jumpers, hats, lunchboxes! Please check for lost property outside Miss Robyn’s room.

**The Great Children’s Clothes Swap**

Thank you one and all who participated in the giving and receiving of our children’s clothes. There was a lot of activity for the parents with chatting, tea/coffee, scones and lots of clothes. During the lunchtime breaks our children were excited to choose some clothes too!

**JDRF - WALK TO CURE DIABETES**

We are proud of our students who are walking 3kms on Sunday 19 October 2014 to raise research money for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Please show your support and donate under team name “James Logan” at the following web address:

http://www.jdrf.org.au/walk/walk-locations/qld/redlands#sthash.jVLnqnQP.dpbs

All the best from your Happy Chappy

Miss Robyn

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**Come to our Book Fair Garden**

Reading with your children can have a significant positive impact on their educational and literacy development.  
Come to our Scholastic Book Fair and help set your child on a path to success by supporting a love of reading in your home.
As a part of our book week celebrations, children’s author Kate Forsyth, author of the book series “Impossible Quest”, will be visiting our school. She will be meeting with some of the students from years 5, 6 and 7, talking about her writing career and holding a creative writing session.

Kate Forsyth’s books will be available for purchase at the book fair.

All Scholastic Book Fair purchases benefit our school library.

Performing Arts Centre, 29 -30 October: For half an hour before and after school and lunchtime, and before school only, on Friday 31 October.

Catch the Reading Bug!

P & C NEWS

Roc Race Update

5 weeks to go until 2014 ROC RACE, being held on Friday 21st November.

Look out in your children’s school bags for ROC Race information this week, including sponsorship forms and ROC Race flyer.

Remember ROC Race T-shirt orders are due in this Friday 17th October - $12 each or 2 for $20. Adult T-shirts are also available so please place your order today.

We would love to have your support on the day. We welcome all volunteers to assist with any or all of the following –

Set up; Obstacle supervision; Clean up

To ensure your children are ROC Race ready we are running a 4-week boot camp starting Thursday 16th October at 8.00am down on the oval. We hope to see you then.

Will you be ready to ROC? Countdown has begun!

PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR TSHIRT ORDER FORM

PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION FUNDRAISING FORM

PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR PERMISSION FORM

PRESIDENT’S PEN

A Riveting Finish - Blink and you’ll miss it…

As we prepare for our final term I would like to acknowledge the first people of this land and the elders past and present.

Community Space

The P&C room is undergoing a transformation… a Community Café Wi-fi Lounge is just one idea. We value your input. If you wish to participate, please get involved through our ‘General Meeting’ this Wednesday at 6:00pm in the PAC Hall.
National Futsal Student Representatives
Firstly, we would like to extend our congratulations to the students who were selected and represented at a national level. This achievement is a testament to the skill, dedication and determination of a passionate desire to push beyond the boundaries of the ordinary. Well done for this remarkable achievement. We also acknowledge the work and management behind the scenes of Stephen Good (jnr) and Luke Brady. Last but not least the mums, dads and siblings who choose to follow, support and resource the dreams of these exceptional young men. Well done.

Canteen
The ‘Canteen’ will remain the same as last term. We will continue with the Subway fortnightly process. This offer is available Week 2, 4, 6, 8. Subway Coordinator – Jodi Bemrose will send out details as required. We want to thank Belinda, Andrew and Jodi for selflessly helping in this project in Term 3.

Swim Club
Yes, registrations started last week and are set to explode this weekend (Week 2). Come down and register this Friday at the pool from 6:00pm. Thanks Kerrie, Steve, Andrew, Belinda & Brooke for all your hard work and dedication.

Roc Race
Thank you again to the Team Build Stephen Good, Alan (Mr Good Snr), Commando T, Commando K, Commando F and F Troops. I am totally pumped for ROC RACE II 2014. Surprises GALORE are in store for an even BIGGER and grander scale..... even ex-students are keen to pitch in.

All Years Reunion - 2014
Special thanks to Christine Marshall, who has continued to organise and keep alive stories and memories of our school’s history. Thanks also to past members of our community for your assistance and contributions.

Fundraising
Thankyou to our parents and community for supporting our fundraising activities in terms of funding the school Air Conditioning and TREIC. ‘PITSTOP’ Car Wash and Coles BBQ will continue Term 4 in weeks 2, 4, 6, 8.

Chaplaincy & Lost Property
Robyn Weare our wonderful chaplain has volunteered to manage the ‘lost property’. Firstly, you are a brave woman and secondly we thank you for you generous spirit. Thanks again to the Citi-Point volunteers who do a magnificent job in setting up, packing up and supporting students. Your help is valued and welcomed.
TSL – The School Locker

The Uniform Shop is now located at the ‘Red Container’ at the front of the school. The School Locker will service our uniform needs for the remainder of the year. Booklists will be available through www.schoolstuff.com.au. Please watch for notices regarding any further adjustments. Thank you again for your patience with these changes.

The best is yet to come……

Carl Toma
a.k.a. Commando T

YMCA NEWS

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<td>We say good bye to Darja who has transferred to YMCA Gumdale. It’s a lot closer to home for her. Dean and Rosie are away on Prac. For another 5 weeks which means there are quite a few new faces coming and going here at YMCA.</td>
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<td>Water is the continuing Theme of 2014. Zonike and Erin set up a Water experiment proving that oil floats on water. Arashon suggested that during the Middle Ages oil on water, thrown on top of a moat, was a fantastic weapon used to protect castles, from marauders, by setting it on fire.</td>
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<td>Halloween crafts. The children have started a Spooky Castle with witches, ghosts and Zombies. Next week we’ll start on our moat with “putrid water full disgusting garbage, sewerage and oil” to keep marauders out!</td>
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KICK START A CAREER IN THE BEAUTY INDUSTRY

Proud Sponsor of the P&C ROC Race, Australis College, are very excited to announce the launch of their Diploma of Beauty Therapy.

The Diploma of Beauty Therapy is a comprehensive course for those looking to start a career or begin working in the Beauty industry. This qualification reflects the role of individuals who are competent in a broad range of beauty therapy treatments and services which may include facial massage, body massage, hair removal, cosmetic tattooing, spa treatments, lash and brow treatments, nail technology services, make-up, aromatherapy, providing advice on beauty treatments and services, selling retail skin care and cosmetic products and coordinating a work team.

Work would be undertaken as skilled beauty therapists in salons, spas and the wider beauty industry.

The course allows students to explore opportunities in owning and operating a spa or salon, management, health retreats, cruise liners, account manager, trainer, cosmetic clinic assistant, wholesale supplier, account executive or sales representative. Other areas include retail cosmetics and working in chemists on cosmetic counters.

Students may choose to further their studies in specialized fields including Certificate III Nail Technology, Diploma of Salon Management, Diploma of Specialist Make-up Services, Certificate III Hairdressing, Diploma of Remedial Massage, Graduate certificate in Intense Pulse Light and laser hair reduction.

Graduates qualify to apply for professional membership with the Association of Professional Aestheticians of Australia (APAA), Aesthetics Practitioners Advisory Network (APAN) and the Australian Spa Association Ltd.

Australis College offer flexible study arrangements, so you can choose a mode of study that fits in with your busy lifestyle.

To find out more about the program and how you can apply, visit www.australiscollege.edu.au/courses/diploma-of-beauty-therapy or call 1300 887 991 and ask to speak with a friendly course adviser.
ASTHMA – FREE INFORMATION SESSION

Asthma Foundation Queensland, in partnership with Greater Metro South Brisbane Medicare Local, is hosting an ‘Ask the Expert’ session for parents of children with asthma or allergies.

The session will provide parents with the invaluable opportunity to learn more about their child’s asthma or allergies, and to have their questions answered by experts in the field.

Details for the session:

Date: Wednesday 12th November
Time: 6:00pm – 7:30pm
Venue: Kevin Aspinall Centre
St Bernard's Primary School
Upper Mount Gravatt
Cost: FREE

Registrations can be made online at asthmaaustralia.org.au or by phoning 1800 278 462. Registration includes a sample bag, light refreshments and entry into prizes given away on the night.

HALLOWEEN BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Mount Gravatt Blue Light will be holding a Halloween Blue Light Dance Party at 7pm on Friday the 7th of November, 2014 at Mt Gravatt PCYC, 90 Klumpp Road, Upper Mt Gravatt next to the Hibiscus Centre.

The dance is for children aged between 7 and 14 years old. The dance finishes at 9.30pm and cost of entry is
$7. Prizes to be won for best Halloween costume. The dance is fully supervised by police officers and current blue card holders.”

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GRASSHOPPER SOCCER

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GREEN HEART FAIR

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 3, 5, or 10 month
programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan and USA will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family.

Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

To make an appointment with the Metro South Health School Dental Service
PHONE 1300 300 850

(Monday to Friday – 7:30 to 4:00).

Have your Medicare Card and Health Care Card (if you have one) with you when you call.

For further information, please visit www.health.qld.gov.au/metrosouth/oralhealth/

PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

TRAINING IN HEALTH

Health Industry Training is a not-for-profit Registered Training Organisation representing the professional interest of General Practice and Primary Health Care in Queensland.

Health Industry Training is offering highly subsidised qualifications for parents who are interested in working within the health industry. At a cost of $320.00 for concession participants and $600.00 for non-concession participants, this will allow you to complete a Nationally recognised qualification in Allied Health Assistance, Health Service Assistance, Health Administration, Community Services Work, Aged Care, Disability, Home and Community Care, Youth work, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health care and Health Support Services.

For further information please call Health Industry Training on 1300 381 415.

STAFFROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT COMPETITION

How many apples will you give in 2014?

QT Mutual Bank’s “Staffroom for Improvement” is back again this year giving our school the chance to win a $20,000 staffroom makeover.
With the competition kicking off on Monday 18 August we are trying to encourage as many staff, parents and friends as possible to vote for our school in the hope of taking out the top honours in 2014. While the ultimate prize of a $20,000 staffroom makeover will undoubtedly be appreciated by our school staff, there is also a chance for individual voters to win daily prizes just for voting. Plus this year, they have introduced the People’s Choice Award – giving the first 10 runners up the chance to win $10,000.

QT Mutual Bank CEO Steve Targett said this year’s competition was shaping up to be the most exciting yet, especially with the introduction of the People’s Choice award.

“Over the years we have seen some really deserving schools try so hard but just miss taking out top honours. So we thought by giving the top 10 runners up a second chance to win, and letting individual voters decide the final outcome, it added an exciting twist to the competition” Mr Targett said.

To be crowned the 2014 winners we will need as much support as possible so make sure you register for this year’s competition and read the terms and conditions at www.staffroomforimprovement.com.au


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