

Deception Bay North State School

Newslink

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Deception Bay North State School Parents & Citizens Association meets every 4th Tuesday of the month at 4:30pm.

All parents are invited to attend.

News from the Principal

Welcome to Deception Bay North School first newsletter for 2024.

Whole community supportive approach

We would like to thank our school community for their positive support towards our new year. Thank you to our parents/carers who have been proactive in preparing their students for a positive start to the year. Our staff have also been very excited to get students back into their classrooms ready for learning. It is wonderful to have such great partnerships within our community to support our childrens' growth and development.

Community Breakfast – unfortunately we postponed this due to heavy rain, come join us next week, Tuesday 6 February from 7:45am. It is wonderful to see our whole school community unite to support our students' wellbeing and learning.

2024 Staff

This year we have two new teachers working with our Bay North crew; I have included the list below to assist you when contacting your child's teacher.

Class Teachers	Class
Andrea Jozefowski	Prep A
Vari McGowen	Prep B
Anneke Green	1/2C
Robyn French	1B
Kristie McDonald (M-Th)/ Helen Griswold (F)	2A
Mandy Rogers	2B
Joshua Mann	3A
Jane Palmer	3B
Dale Monaghan	4A
Deb Moorrees	4B
Raeleigh Raetz	5A
Christine Hartmann	5/6B
Daniel Lubke	5/6C
Leanne Thorpe	5/6D

Specialist Teachers		
HPE	Bryan Simpson	
Music	Helen Griswold (M-W)	
ICT	Tessa Hogan (Tu-Th)	
LOTE	Bryan Wilson (M,Tu)	
Instrumental Music- Multi	Amy Ritter (W)	
Instrumental Music- Strings	Heidi Cooper (M)	

Support Staff		
Staff Member	Support Area	
Sharon Ward (M-W)	Curriculum Access Support Teacher-Prep	
Zoe Laritz (Tu,W, F)	Curriculum Access Support Teacher- Yr 1-3	
Daneill Cousemacker	Curriculum Access Support Teacher-Yr 4-6	
Sue O'Brien (M, Th)	Speech Pathologist Prep-2	
Kate Goulter (M Tu)	Speech Pathologist ECDP, Yr 3-6	
Aunty Jacque Kina (M,Th)	Community Education Counsellor	
Chappy Kym Austin (Th)	Chaplain	
Chappy Phil Moller (Tu,W)	Chaplain	
Noah Williams	ARTIE Coordinator	
Louise Turnbull	HUB AO	

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

8.00am - 3.30pm

Office Staff		
Shelley Irish	Office	
Pam Gutzke (Tu-F)	Office	
Kim Offerman	Engagement Officer (Tu,Th) Office (M,F)	
Alex Donaldson	Technology Technician (M,W)	
Steven Irish	Schools Officer	
Teacher Aides		
Sue Poulsen	Pam Lawson	
Tanya Golding	Ruth Seely (M-Th)	
Jodie Keysell	Lyn Pryor	
Kay Cole (M-W)	Emily Davies	
Rosanne Richter	Tanya Croucher	
Sharon Orman - playgroup(M)		

Leadership Team		
Lindy-lou Brown	Principal	
Lorraine Poonan	Deputy Principal	
Helen Powell	Head of Curriculum	
Terri Anne Harris	Head of Special Education	
Derek Wood	Guidance Officer	
Sarah Nott	Business Manager	

Cleaners		
Lorraine Stillaway	Julie Prewett	
Ru Whareaitu	Leanda Knapp	
Heather Walters	Lucy Phillips	

2023 Successful Partnerships

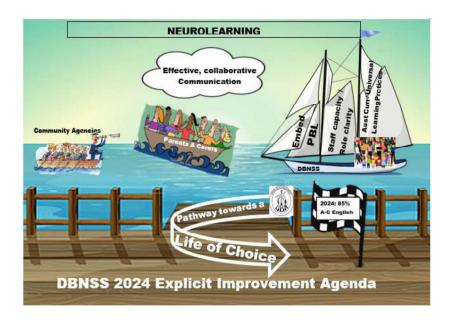
Our amazing school community has worked collaboratively to achieve incredible success for our students' learning outcomes in 2023. With positive support from our Families and Community partners we have reached 83.1% of our students achieving A-C for English! Our First Nations Students and families have been working very hard with our staff to increase the percentage of students achieving A-C by 11.7%. This means there is not a gap in learning outcomes for English for our First Nations students, in fact they have outperformed our Non-First Nations Students by 5.6%; amazing results, well done every one! DBNSS is very lucky to have such hard-working staff, who are so passionate about your childrens' wellbeing and success.

Building on 2023 Success for our 2024 Priorities

As we have had so much success in 2023, we are going to continue to hold our course again in 2024. Staff continued to strengthen their Neuroscience skills during our student free days this year, so they continue to embed how the brain functions to better support our students' learning. We will teach our students to understand how to self-regulate their brain, thus enabling them more success with learning and social skills throughout the year. I am positive that with such cooperative partnerships we can continue to develop students' tool kits to support their future growth with learning out comes and wellbeing. I have included our graphic of our improvement agenda with our English A-C goal of 85% and our school priorities below.

Keep safe

Lindy-lou Brown Principal



NEW STAFF TO DBNSS

Hello! My name is Leah Holcroft and I started at Deception Bay North at the start of this year. I have spent the last 5 years teaching rural in Mount Isa, but due to having another baby very soon, it was time to move back to the coast. I have moved here with my partner and nearly 3-year-old girl.

I will only be working Term 1 this year and my role is to support the school, teachers and the kids with learning. I have loved spending time with your children and can't wait to watch them grow and flourish. I will be returning back to Deception Bay North next year. Have a great year!





Hi, my name is Robyn French and I am very excited to begin my teaching journey here at Deception Bay North with Year 1.

I am a proud mum of three and passionate teacher. I understand the needs of my students and I am dedicated to creating a nurturing, fun and inclusive space for my young learners.

Medication at School

The Department of Education and Training and Queensland Health regulations govern administration of medication to students by school personnel. The key points which parents should note and follow are:

- As a parent, you must make a written request indicating that such medication has been prescribed (including a doctor's letter) and is necessary to be administered during school hours or school approved activities. Forms for this are available from the office.
- Medication must be handed in to staff in the Hub by an adult.
- Medication must be provided in the current container which clearly shows the
 written instructions from the medical practitioner. Instructions must indicate specific
 times at which the medication is to be administered as well as the dosage.
- At no time will medication provided for one child be administered to others, even if they are brother or sister of the child for whom the medication has been prescribed.
- Non prescribed oral medication such as analgesics or over the counter medications will not be administered by the school staff unless prescribed by a medical practitioner.
- All unused medication will be returned to parents only. At no time must a child keep medication in their school bags.

UNWANTED UNIFORMS?

If your child has outgrown their uniform and is in reasonably good condition, the office is in need of unwanted spare clothes.

It would be much appreciated if these could be dropped into the school office.

Thank you so much

SCHOOL LOCKER

All our school uniforms are available for sale at the School Locker at North Lakes. The shop also carries books and stationery.

School Locker is open 6 days per week. There is online shopping also.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Every morning from 8am	Breakfast Club
Tuesday, 6 th February	Community Breakfast from 7.30am
Thursday, 8 th February	ARTIE Family Breakfast, 8am
Monday, 12 th February	Student Leader Investiture, 2pm
Tuesday, 27 th February	P&C Meeting, 4.30pm in hall (all welcome)
Friday, 8 th March	Interschool sport begins
Monday, 11 th March to	Year 6 Camp
Wednesday 13 th March	
Tuesday, 19 th March	Student Led Conference
Wednesday, 20th March	School Photo Day
Thursday, 21st March	Harmony Day
Tuesday, 26 th March	AGM & P&C Meeting, 4.30pm in hall
Friday, 29 th March	Holidays begin
Thursday, 26 th April	ANZAC Day holiday
Monday, 6 th May	Labour Day holiday
Monday, 12 th August	EKKA Public holiday
Friday, 20 th August	Pupil Free Day
Monday, 7 th October	King's Birthday holiday
Thursday, 5 th December	Year 6 Awards, 5pm



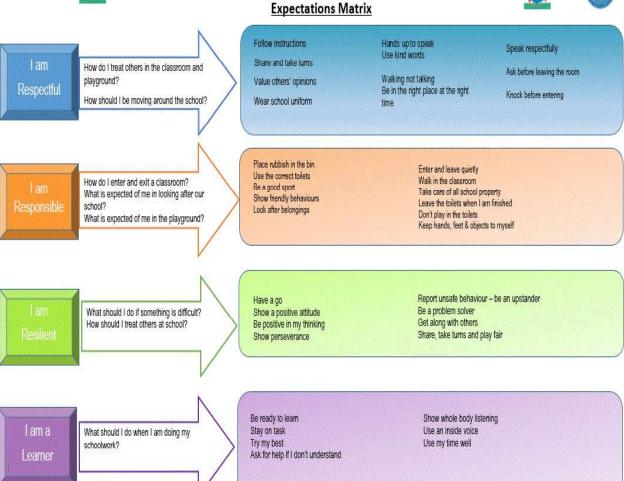




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PBL -Positive Behaviour for Learning

The Behaviour curriculum, Positive Behaviour for Learning [PBL], is what DBNSS focuses on to improve academic, wellbeing and behavioural outcomes. PBL uses a problem-solving model to examine relevant data, determine desired outcomes, and establish systems and practices to achieve identified goals. PBL focuses on the importance of teaching the students how to meet behavioural expectations. Behaviour is taught exactly the same was as academics.

When students fail to meet expectations, we treat this as a behavioural error and provide additional prompts and re-teaching. One of the strategies is Reflection Time where a staff member facilitates restorative chats and Behaviour Reflections. Questions in Reflection Time could include:

What choice did you make?

What were you feeling when you made that choice?

What was going on?

How did your choice affect others? How did your choice affect you?

What can you do differently?

What can you do to make this better?

Talk to your children at home and use this language when questioning them to reflect on any inappropriate behaviours

