

## Anchored in Excellence....

### Community Newsletter #5

August 27<sup>th</sup> 2015



Buddy and Bella in their formal uniform.

### Reminders:

### Information Session P&C

Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup>  
6.30pm

*From Term 4 consultation regarding Values and Behaviour will commence.*

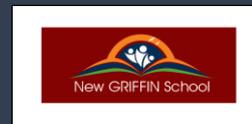
A special thankyou to the team from Education Queensland and the Plenary Group for their attendance at our Public Meetings. Community members have had the opportunity to ask questions and learn about the plans for the new school through two stages of construction.

*From Vicki Baker, the Principal*

*The second of our Public Meetings was held last night with more than 60 people in attendance. Many were attending for the first time so it was wonderful to share the school's journey thus far. One of the highlights of the evening was being able to introduce the staff team. Their contributions will be instrumental in building the culture for learning and strong sense of community that we all aspire to for our students and families. Already their commitment and dedication has been evidenced by their preparedness to meet after school, during the next vacation and for a weekend in October to engage in strategic and curriculum planning in readiness for the 2016 school year. A huge welcome to each of them and an upfront 'thank you' for the contributions they will make.*

Last night I also announced the decisions regarding uniform and logo following polling from the community.

- The formal uniform is Style 1 in both the girls' dress and boys' formal shirt. Buddy and Bella (to the right) look absolutely gorgeous in the graphic.
- The Unisex polo shirt is also Style 1.
- The school's Logo is Design 2.



A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to this process. A special thankyou to the following people who've given additional time, thought and effort to this process. *Natasha Merckel, Jennifer Finsen, Michelle Symes, Danielle Pirc and Sarah-Jayne Woo, Cam Lyons, Geraldine Faber and Terry Houlding.*

One more Public Meeting will be hosted prior to the school opening. At this meeting the school's name will be announced and we will have some of our young people model the school uniforms. Vik from *Chalkboard*, our supplier, is currently in India at his factory working with his team to put samples together for sign off. The date for this meeting will be confirmed when this information is received.

### Expressions of Interest/Enrolments

As of today I have 95 Expressions of Interest for enrolment. This is very pleasing. Once the school is named is announced Enrolment Packages will be made available and interviews will commence. It is anticipated that this process will commence at the beginning of Term 4 at the very latest.

### Parent Information sessions

It is expected that the handover of the school's administration building and Resource Centre will happen on November 1. Information sessions will be held at the school after this date.

New school in Griffin

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### **Staffing:**

Recruitment for teaching staff is almost completed. I am still yet to appoint one staff member and a Performing Arts teacher.

Recruitment for teacher aides will commence at the beginning of Term 4 and will be done through the Education Queensland transfer process.

The Expression of Interest for the Business Services Manager is currently advertised through Smart Jobs and will close on August 31<sup>st</sup>. The successful applicant will commence work with me at the beginning of Term 4.

### **Construction:**

Construction is progressing as planned. The flashes of colour appearing on the outside of buildings is bring the community to life. It's now just ten weeks until we move into the administration building and Resource Centre. The handover date for classrooms is January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Buddy and Bella in their Unisex uniform: Very smart!**



### **Frequently asked questions....**

#### **1 Will there be a leadership, sporting and camping program for senior students?**

Yes. Planning for this has already commenced. Students enrolling in these year levels will not be disadvantaged as a result of changing schools.

#### **2. What will be the Language other than English (LOTE)?**

Spanish. Murrumba Secondary College our local feeder high school has Spanish as their LOTE and will ensure we have access to quality teacher.

## *Photo Gallery*



*Danielle, Mitchell, Natasha and Mark King from Chalkboard met to discuss the school's uniform fabrics.*



Meet Mitchell. Mitchell will be a foundation Prep student in 2016 and was very pleased to be able to model one of the sample uniforms.