

Anchored in Excellence....

Community Newsletter #4

August 20th 2015



Reminders:

Public Meeting #2

Wednesday August 26th

6.30pm

Voting for Uniform and Logo closes August 25th.

Details on website.

<https://newprimaryschoolingriffin.eq.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx>

*A special thankyou to folk
from within our
community for their
efforts on the school logo.*

Cam Lyons
Geraldine
Terry Houlding

From Vicki Baker, the Principal

Our work around the school uniform and logo continues. As of today there is a capacity for you to vote on the style of the formal shirt for boys, formal dress for girls and the unisex polo shirt. To support our uniform suppliers Chalkboard and ensure the delivery of uniforms for the beginning of the school year this process is 'short and sharp' so please ensure you pop a reminder on your calendar to contribute. **Voting closes on August 25th.**

Final decisions will be announced at the second Public Meeting on the 26th of August.

I am deeply appreciative to those who've given their time to be part of our consultation process. We've done what we set out to do. We've worked with conviction and purpose, in the spirit of co-operation and made informed decisions that are already determining the identity of our community. It's been a positive, collaborative and thoughtful process. Thank you all.

Have your say! Your vote matters! Uniform and Logo

Voting now open. Closes August 25th 2015.

The final designs are beautifully presented for your perusal in the document entitled Uniform Concepts new school in Griffin. The feedback form is available on the school's website and saved as a word document. Simply complete the form and forward via email to vbake1@eq.edu.au

Please note:

- The fabric for the formal uniforms is not an exact match, simply a graphic image.
- Shirts will not be tucked in.

The story behind the logos:

Logo Design 1: This logo has been created by Terry Houlding. Terry's daughter will be a foundation student in 2016. This logo concept encapsulates and pays homage to the school's Vision statement, **Anchored in Excellence** with the symbolism of an anchor, while honouring the children of the community and the osprey eagle that for many in the Griffin community is an icon.

Logo Design 2: This logo has been developed by Glenn Goiser a local graphic designer who has worked with many schools in Queensland. Glenn's concept encapsulates the thoughts expressed by many at the first Community Consultation forum. Community members spoke about what was important to them: the students, the learning and the environment, including the osprey.

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Staffing:

Staffing is almost finalised. At this point, I have recruited all but one of the teaching team. I will be introducing staff appointed to the community at the next Public Meeting on Wednesday August 26th.

To say that the team of experienced and highly capable staff I have carefully selected, is excited about the challenge and opportunity ahead, is an understatement. Each has passionately expressed a desire to work in genuine partnership with the community to create a school community that is truly remarkable.

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

Construction:

I enjoyed my second walk through of the school last Thursday. The changes between this visit and the last have been significant. Everything is taking shape. Rooms are currently being plastered, the exterior is being completed and the layout of the grounds is becoming defined. The grounds of the school will be glorious. The view from different aspects is quite impressive. As you stand at the school's tuckshop you look out over the expanse that will be the oval and over the tops of the houses in the suburb. Just delightful.

Enrolments:

Enrolment packages cannot be distributed until the Minister approves the school's name. To assist with forward planning Expressions of Interest are currently being taken. These forms are available via the school's website and can be forwarded directly to me via email vbake1@eq.edu.au

Currently I have **76 Expressions of Interest**. 50 of those are for Prep students. Please continue to 'spread the word' and do what you can to ensure that other members of the community interested in enrolling their children and being a part of the consultation process are aware that the new school is opening in 2016.

Your support is appreciated.

Photo Gallery

Site photos taken August 2015



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