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Vision: The Grand Avenue State School community strives to be a learning environment where students can achieve their potential and become valued members of society.

Key Values: These key values are the foundations that drive the Grand Avenue State School vision. They underpin the relationships between students, staff, parents and the community.

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STUDENT ABSENCE LINE PH: 3372 0560

Email - studentabsence@grandavenuess.eq.edu.au

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PRINCIPAL’S COLUMN

1. Server Upgrade – Impact on Library

Recently, the operating system on our main school server was upgraded for improved security but unfortunately has proved problematic in allowing other systems to run as they have in the past. The library operating system has been one of these areas affected and while regional technicians have
been working to resolve this, student borrowing has been temporarily suspended. Manual borrowing has been established for teacher borrowing so class readers and other resources will still be accessible for curriculum delivery. Thank you for your patience while this issue is rectified and thanks also to Ms Mackintosh, library staff, Mrs Brown and Ms Fox who have been able to establish the temporary manual system set up.

2. Professional Visits to Grand Avenue

We have recently had visits from staff at other schools looking to learn how our programs have contributed to placing us in the top 3% of the state as identified from the Teaching and Learning Audit earlier this year. Our early years phonograms program has come under scrutiny from teachers at Arundel State School on the Gold Coast and ongoing visits from staff at Ipswich Central State School will see them learn how we use data to inform our teaching practice and intervention programs. Visiting teachers continue to be impressed with what we do as well as with the exemplary conduct of students at Grand Avenue.

3. Canberra Tour

Preparations will begin to intensify soon and I would remind families that full payment must be made by Thursday 18th September - the last Thursday of this term. All chaperones have been invoiced. (If you believe yourself to be a chaperone and have not been invoiced, please contact me as soon as possible to discuss.) The payment deadline cannot be extended because airline seats must be confirmed straight after payments close. Please watch out for medical/consent forms during the next few weeks – we aim to have 100% return of these also by the payment deadline as well.

Kind regards,
Craig Thorne
Acting Principal

SCHOOL SECURITY

If you suspect trespassers or persons are deliberately attempting to damage school property, please phone either:

- School Watch Program...... ......13 1788
- Crime Stoppers..................... ......1800 333 000
- Forest Lake Police Beat....... ......3372 5834
- State Govt Security Service.... ......3224 6666
- Forest Lake Rangers............... ......1300 731 735

PLEASE NOTE
It is school policy that any person on school grounds during the school day MUST first report to the school administration office and be issued with a school badge for security and safety purposes.

Useful Contacts

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<th>Main Administration</th>
<th>3372 0555 <a href="mailto:enquiries@grandavenuess.eq.edu.au">enquiries@grandavenuess.eq.edu.au</a></th>
<th>Uniform Shop</th>
<th>3879 8695 <a href="mailto:gasspandc@hotmail.com">gasspandc@hotmail.com</a></th>
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Please check our website regularly –
www.grandavenuess.eq.edu.au
SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY – THANK YOU

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers and students who completed this year’s School Opinion Survey. We look forward to reviewing our survey results when we receive our school report later this year.

CAMPS/INCURSION/EXCURSION DUE DATES

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* Please note - cut-off dates are strictly enforced. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the Business Services Manager at least one week prior to the cut-off date.

ARE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CORRECT??

Please advise the office as a matter of urgency if any of your details, have changed, ie. phone numbers, address, emergency contacts!

Grand Avenue State School
Now taking enrolments for Prep 2015

- Australian Curriculum programs
- Leading programs in phonics and sight words
- Caring staff
- Air conditioned classrooms
- Imaginative and creative learning experiences

Enrol online at:
www.grandavenuess.eq.edu.au/Enrolments/Pages/Enrolments.aspx

or
Call 3372 0555

Quality Education for your child is our priority.

Children born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010 are eligible.
Music Notes

SINGFEST
A reminder to Senior Choir students and parents who have not returned Singfest 2014 Consent forms that these are now overdue. If you are intending for your child to attend this exciting event on Monday 18th August please return the Consent form and pay the $12 levy at the office as soon as possible. Further information and Consent forms can be accessed in the Music Tab of the school website or by contacting Mrs Karen Gordon klgor1@eq.edu.au.

CONCERT BAND REHEARSALS
Students and parents are reminded that rehearsals for the Senior and Junior Band commence at 7.30am on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively. Please ensure your child is at the school auditorium and ready to play on time. If your child is unable to attend a rehearsal at any time, please contact the relevant Band Conductor via email as soon as possible to inform them of your child’s absence.

Senior Band Conductor: Mrs Katherine Zorzetto kzorz1@eq.edu.au
Junior Band Conductor: Ms Leonie Marshall lstil4@eq.edu.au

BEGINNER STRING WORKSHOP
On Friday the 22nd of August, we will be running a one-day workshop for our beginner strings in conjunction with the students of Forest Lake S.S. All beginner strings students will be expected to attend.

The workshop is free. It will be held at Grand Avenue S.S. Auditorium. Throughout the day, students will participate in rehearsals and tutorials, and in the afternoon they will take part in a short performance to which parents and family are invited.

Students will need to bring their own lunches, water bottles, hats and music stands. The day runs from 8.30am – 2.30pm. (please note the earlier school finish time.)

All enquiries should be directly addressed to Mr Matthew Hoey mhoey1@eq.edu.au

The GASS Music Support Group would like to thank everyone for their support so far this year. We have been able to raise $1941 through our Easter raffle and Gala night raffle.

Thank you!
Thank you to everyone who came along to support the school at the EKKA FUN DAY yesterday! It was a great success!

Cookie Dough Orders will be available for collection between 2.00PM TO 3.30PM next WEDNESDAY 20TH AUGUST from KAUMA HALL. We are looking for volunteers to help sort orders. If you can spare a few hours from 11.30am on the collection day, please phone Louise Gordon on 0403 733 280.
**Forest Lake State High School – Now Enrolling for 2015**

We are offering four new opportunities to enrol your child into Forest Lake State High School for 2015. It is extremely important to enrol early so we can ensure we have the support and resources in place for your child. We understand Saturdays are not always convenient for you and your child to attend an enrolment interview so we have opened up week time interviews as well.

The enrolment days are:

- **Thursday 14th August** 7.30am – 5.30pm
- **Tuesday 9th September** 8:00am – 5.30pm
- **Monday 20th October** 8.30am – 3.30pm
- **Saturday 1st November** 9.00am – 2:30pm.

Please bring your enrolment pack into Forest Lake State High School with all your documentation to make an interview.

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**TRI's Long Night of Science**

Come and celebrate National Science Week at TRI (Translational Research Institute). The TRI building will come alive with interactive displays, lab experiences and engaging talks throughout the afternoon and into the evening.

- Explore the TRI lab spaces with a researcher
- Discover things you didn’t know about your body with our hands on activities
- Enter a lab and conduct your own experiments
- Listen to talks given by researchers about how science affects your daily life
- Dress up like a researcher
- Participate in the QUT IHBI Innovation Seminar

**Location:** TRI Level 2, 37 Kent St Woolloongabba

**Date & Time:** 21 Aug 2014 3:00pm to 7:00pm

For more information contact TRI at events@tri.edu.au or visit [http://www.tri.edu.au/event/tri-long-night-science](http://www.tri.edu.au/event/tri-long-night-science)