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From the Principal

A Warm Welcome to the Caningeraba Community

Dear Caningeraba Families,

A very warm welcome to all of you as we begin another exciting school year! I'm delighted to share that the first day of school ran smoothly, and it was a pleasure to meet so many of our new and returning families. Thank you for making me feel so welcome in our wonderful Caningeraba State School community.

Our Prep "Meet and Greet" was a fantastic opportunity to connect with parents and our leadership team. A special thanks to our P&C for providing tea and Tim Tams – it was a lovely touch! I look forward to meeting more parents at the year-level morning teas we will host over the course of the

term.

Meet the Teacher – Tuesday, Week 3

Our "Meet the Teacher" event will be held on Tuesday of Week 3. Please check our website for more details. The school website is a fantastic resource for up-to-date information and upcoming events, and it's the preferred platform for us to communicate with our community.

Road Safety Reminder

As we settle into the school year, I'd like to kindly remind everyone about road safety around our school. Please be mindful of parking in the streets surrounding the school, and let's all make an effort to respect our neighbours. At this time of year, we also see extra patrols from local police and council to ensure the safety of our students.

Exciting New Adventure Playground

I'm pleased to announce that our brand-new adventure playground will open on Monday of Week 2! Classroom teachers will remind students about how to safely play on the equipment, using our CREW values. I'd like



to express my thanks to everyone involved in the fundraising efforts and hard work to bring this fantastic new resource to life for our students.

Tuckshop News

I also had the pleasure of meeting with our amazing tuckshop staff, and I'm excited to share that the new menu they've created looks very appetizing! Mr. Hart assures me that the cheeseburgers, in particular, are delicious. You can find the latest menu on our website or on the P&C Facebook page.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support as we start this new school year. I'm looking forward to all the wonderful things we will accomplish together in 2025!

Warm regards,

Michelle Flynn, Principal Caningeraba State School

MindUp



What is MindUP?

MindUP is a comprehensive, classroom-tested, evidencebased curriculum framed around 15 lessons that foster social and emotional awareness, enhance psychological well-being and promote academic success. We, at Caningeraba, believe that social and emotional skills, such as the ability to manage one's emotions and get along with others, play an integral role in academic and life success.

Through the MindUP curriculum we will be explicitly teaching lessons that promote and develop mindful attention to oneself and others, tolerance of differences and the capacity of each member of the community to grow as a human being and be a learner.

In Term 1 students will be learning about "Getting Focussed" and learning how their brains respond to stress. They will learn that by practising strategies for quietening their minds, they will become better at self-regulating. They will be introduced to the brain physiology and the concept of mindful attention. In their classrooms they will establish the daily Core Practice.

You will be impressed by your child's knowledge of the different parts of the brain. Even our Prepstars will be able to tell you about their amygdala, pre frontal cortex and hippocampus. Just ask them!

P&C News

Welcome Back to Caningeraba! On behalf of the P&C, we'd like to extend a warm welcome to all our families, both new and returning. We're excited for another fantastic year at Caningeraba State School!

The P&C is run by a dedicated group of volunteers who work hard to support our school community. Here's your current Executive Team:

- President: Michelle Elliott
- Vice-President: Angelique Sheather
- Secretary: Dean Kingsland
- Treasurer: John Buck

We also have an amazing team supporting our school services:

Tuckshop Team: Martina, Melina, and Amy
Uniform Shop: Dione

We welcome and encourage more people to get involved with the P&C and join as members. Our first meeting of the year will be held on **Monday**, **24th February -** we'd love to see you there!

Can't attend the meeting but want to know how you can get involved. Please see the attached volunteer signup sheet for more information.

Playground Project Update - Exciting news! Our much-anticipated playground project is nearing completion. We are planning an opening next week, followed by an official Opening Afternoon

BBQ. We'll also invite the Year 6 graduates from 2024 back for a play in the coming weeks. Stay tuned for more details!

Uniform Shop News

Need to grab some uniforms? Here are the Uniform Shop hours starting Week 2:

- ∘ Mondays: 8:00 AM 10:00 AM
- Wednesdays: 8:00 AM 9:00 AM & 2:30 PM –
 3:30 PM
- ∘ **Fridays:** 8:00 AM 10:00 AM

Tuckshop News

New Breakfast Menu - We are excited to launch a trial for a new breakfast menu starting Monday, Week 2. Available on Mondays from 8:20 AM – 8:40 AM, we'll be offering:

- Freshly baked croissants
- $_{\circ}$ Toast with a selection of spreads
- Muesli cups
- Homemade muffins

Breakfast items can be ordered via **Flexischools** or purchased over the counter. Pick-up is from the Tuckshop window before school starts at **8:40 AM**.

Weekly Specials

We're also introducing a **Cheeseburger Meal Deal** on **Tuesdays** starting Week 2! Additional specials will be advertised on **Flexischools** and the school's **Facebook page** throughout the term —keep an eye out!

We look forward to supporting Caningeraba students, their families, and the community with events, fundraisers, and more throughout the year. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Caningeraba P&C!



Caningeraba_State_School_P_C_Volunteer_form.pdf https://caningerss.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/814/caningeraba_ state_school_p_c_volunteer_form.pdf

Diary Dates



Monday 10 February	Year 5 & 6	Leader Investiture 9:15am in the Hall
Tuesday 11 February	All	Meet the Teacher
Thursday 20 February	Various	Oceanic Swimming
Friday 14 February	Year 4	Year 4 Band Lessons recommence

Please phone our Events Line on 5568 6388 for ALL up-todate information on excursions, interschool sport draws, athletics and cancellations due to weather.

Students Leaving Early

Please call the administration office well in advance if you need to collect your child before the end of the school day. Avoid break times which are 10:50am-11:30am and 1:30pm – 2:10pm as your child will be somewhere in the playground and therefore unreachable.

Parents/Caregivers who arrive during lunch breaks with no previous arrangements will be required to wait in the office area until the end of the break when a classroom can be contacted to locate their child.

If you arrive unexpectedly, please be prepared to wait while we locate your child.

We would also like to remind parents that students should only be leaving early for medical appointments.

Your compliance with this procedure would be much appreciated.

Administration Office

On average, more than 700 calls are made to School Watch every year, helping to keep our schools safe.

Look, Listen, Report. Call School Watch on 13 17 88. If you see a crime in progress, call Triple Zero (000).

Community News

Inclusive Education: What it is, and why it matters for your child

Wednesday 12th of February

10:00am to 11:30am

For more information and to register for this free online workshop, please click here

This online workshop will focus on the basics about inclusive education – the definition, what it looks like, and why it is so important to all children, with and without disability. Join us online as we discuss the evidence in favour of inclusive education, the policies and supports that work towards inclusion at school, and tips on how parents can work confidently and effectively with their child's school for an inclusive education.

This workshop is relevant for parents and carers of children with disability of school age, or younger, who are wanting to know more about inclusive education. We also welcome any interested supporters or community members wanting to learn about the importance of inclusion in schools.



School Watch

The School Watch program encourages everyone to look out for and report any afterhours crime in our schools.

Empty schools can become targets for unlawful entry, arson, stealing, graffiti and property damage, especially

during school holiday periods. This comes at a cost to the whole community and not just the financial cost of repairs.

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The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education and Protective Services Group, Queensland Police Service, providing a way for members of the community to report anything they see that is suspicious, even if it seems minor.





2026 Year 7 Enrolment &

Parent Information Session & Tour Experience our 'First Class Location & World Class Education'

Tuesday 25th February 2025

- Meet & Greet
- School Tours
- Interactive in class sessions with our Heads of Department Excellence Academy Dean will provide information on our Excellence pillars Formal Presentation Q & A
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Program commences from 4pm

Learn how Miami State High School generates innovative opportunities to excite, engage and empower everyone every day.



Selective Entry @ PBC **Excellence** Programs Academic - Creative Arts - Sports

Encourage your child to be part of something great!

PBC is of one of the State's leading high schools with a proud record of academic, artistic & sporting achievement. Our Excellence Programs play an integral role in this success and are designed to nurture and challenge gifted, creative and talented students. We have the passion, the product and the expertise to nurture your young person to become their best self and reach their potential



entering Year 7 in 2026

Wednesday 19 February 2025 6:00pm, The PBC Hall Thrower Drive, Palm Beach

RSVP to exenrolments@pbc-shs.eq.edu.au

The Brain and How it Works

This little clip may help some of your students with the big emotions that happen at the beginning of the year. Sentis Brain Animation Series

Safer Internet Day

How will you support Safer Internet Day on Tuesday

11 February? This year's theme is all about working together to help make the internet a safer, and more positive place. Check out esafety.gov.au to find out how you can create a safer online environment, including advice and support for reporting online abuse. Make sure to also register for any of the free eSafety Commissioner webinars hosted throughout February.

NAPLAN 2025

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum and allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national proficiency standards. NAPLAN will commence on 12 March 2025, in Term 1. Visit nap.edu.au for more information.

