Welcome to 2017.
It has been a great start to the school year, and the students have settled well into their routines and school work. We started the year off with a visit from the Regional Executive Director of Schools, Kim Fredericks, and the Assistant Regional Director of Schools, Brendan Smith, who were given a tour of the school by our school leaders, Jack, Makaila, Atalaya and Brock. The school leaders did a wonderful job and certainly set the tone for a fabulous year of leadership!
What Mrs Fredericks and Mr Smith particularly noted was that the school had a good feel and the students were engaged and working well in classes. As the ‘new kid on the block’ in the office, it is something that I have been very pleased to note when moving around the school how focused and engaged the classrooms are.
There are a few new staff starting this term:
- Mr Dan Evans: Deputy Principal
- Tarnie Roebuck: 1C
- Toalua Tuigamala: 5A
- Matthew Mumford: 3B
- Savior Herd: 6A
- Leonie Wheeler: Learning Support
Each newsletter keep a look out for a profile on one of our new staff members!

Name: Samantha Moore
Position: Acting Principal
Previous School: Labrador SS
Years teaching: 23
Hobbies: Travel (This photo is hiking the Yorkshire moors), family, craft, movies, music
Favourite... Books: I don't think I could live without books!
Goal for 2017: stop buying stationery from Officeworks and use up my stash!
Teachers, we do like pens, paper and stickers 😊

As acting Principal, I had many years of experience in the leadership chair, most recently having had the opportunity to work in some very large and complex schools on the Gold Coast. Labrador State School is a school of just under 1000 students from over 52 different countries, and as one of 3 Deputies, I was able to specialise in Gifted Education, English as a Second Language, Indigenous Education P-6, and complex behaviour management of the 15 classes I line managed.
My family lives on the Gold Coast, but we are originally a Sydney family, and no, I don't support the NSW State of Origin team, I am footy neutral. 😊 I have brought with me my dog who is 8kg of fur and silliness. I have a willingness to continue to put 100% into continuing Sarina SS on the pathway to excellence that you are already working on and a can do attitude! Make a booking through the office and that way I can ensure I can sit down and we can really chat about your child’s needs.
The expectations for 2017 have not changed with the change in leadership team.

1. It is expected that all students are AT school, every day.
2. It is expected that all students ARE safe, responsible, respectful learners.
3. That every child has the right to BE safe and learn at Sarina State School.

If you need support to be able to work with the school to meet these expectations, we will endeavour to do so at all times. Home and school needs to be a team working together for the success of each child.

Yours in education
Samantha Moore

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL WRITES...

Welcome to 2017!
I would personally like to thank all the students and parents for warmly welcoming Ms M and myself to Sarina State School. Arriving fresh from Oakenden State School, I understand the importance of positive community relationships and I look forward to developing these relationships over the coming weeks. This week staff have been busy re-familiarising the students with the school rules and expectations of being safe, being a learner being respectful and responsible, which from observations, have been done wonderfully.

Additionally, to help support your child’s classroom teacher and our school we ask that you please talk to your child/ren at home about our school rules and expectations.

Deputy Principal
Dan Evans

P & C NEWS

Welcome
On behalf of the P&C we would like to welcome Ms Moore and Mr Evans and new and returning families to 2017. We look forward to a fantastic year with lots of great fundraising throughout the year.

Next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 6th February at 9.15am.

Venue: Music/Activities room.
Everyone is welcome to come and join us to have their say. So come and have a cuppa and meet new friends.

Bookfest
We are now collecting books for our next bookfest which will be held this year.
If you are able to donate please take items to the Kaikai Café Monday-Friday 8.30am to 2pm.

School banking due every Thursday and taken to the Kaikai café in the morning.

Kaikai Café - Open Monday-Friday

Kaikai Café price list was sent home on Monday if you didn't receive one please pick one up from the Café. Café is open Monday - Friday, 8.30am-2.00pm. If anybody has a spare hour or two and would like to volunteer in the tuckshop, please call in and see Rachel or Shelley to arrange a day and time.

Now available Monday to Friday 8.30am-2.00pm
For parents and staff only.
Cappuccino $3.00.
Cappuccino & cake $5.00.

Uniform Shop

Cash only as we do not have EFTPOS at this time.
Uniform Shop will be open Mondays and Wednesdays only 8.15am - 9.15am.
Shirts $25.00
Hats $16.00
We also have a selection of 2nd hand jumpers available.
Anybody leaving the school, donations of uniforms for us to sell second-hand would be greatly appreciated.
FIVE KEYS TO HAPPINESS AND SUCCESS

These have been designed to remind students that they have the power to make school and learning fun. Each week we will announce the weekly focus on parade and teachers will teach the key elements in class.

Remember YOU CAN DO IT!

Next week’s focus is Organisation.

ARRIVAL AT AND DEPARTURE FROM SCHOOL

School finishes for the day at 2.55pm, and children should leave the grounds as soon as possible after dismissal unless under the supervision of a teacher.

Arrival and dismissal times are a very busy and congested traffic time that represents a potentially dangerous situation, especially as the school is located on the main highway. Parents and children should be aware of the dangers, exercise extreme care and ensure that all traffic rules (for both vehicle users and pedestrians) are adhered to.

The traffic lights located at the front double gate of the school should be used at all times when attempting to cross Broad Street.

The carpark allows for drop off and pick up zone arrangements
On dismissal, children should use one of the following gates to leave the school grounds:-

- the gate situated at the rear of the school behind the hall
- the small gate situated at the end of the parking area adjacent to Goodes Butchery
- the single gates at the front of the school
- The small gate and pathway at the front of the school should be used only by bus children so that delays and confusion might be avoided.

The green drop off/pick up zone and Turn Around area is a "No Standing" area and is for IMMEDIATE drop off & pick up only.
If your child is not there to collect you will need to continue through and find a park or go out and come back in.
TENNIS LESSONS
Sarina Tennis Assoc, Hoey Street
Starting Wednesday 1st February
Contact Coach Lefty 0409201789

SARINA SAINTS FOOTBALL CLUB
Register now to play football.
An information day is being held on 11th February, at Sarina Saints Clubhouse, Brewers Park Sporting Complex.
Time: 10.00am-12.00pm.
Contact Christine 0435043762.
Register online: www.myfootballclub.com.au

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