

My name is Meagan Steward and I will be the A/Principal for the remainder of 2015. I am really looking forward to this opportunity to ensure we grow clever, creative and caring children.

I have been working with the Education Department since 2001. During my career, I have taught at Stafford Heights State School, Hamilton State School, Upper Coomera State College and Bibohra State School in North Queensland. I have worked as a Head of Curriculum, Deputy Principal and since 2013 I have been the Principal of the Junior School at Upper Coomera State College.

This week, I will be sharing my time between Mount Cotton and UCSC as both are without a principal.

My plan will be:

**Monday:** UCSC  
**Tuesday:** UCSC  
**Wednesday:** Mount Cotton  
**Thursday:** Mount Cotton  
**Friday:** UCSC until 12 noon and then to Mount Cotton for the afternoon.

Students, staff and parents working together is a key ingredient to enhancing student outcomes and creating a wonderful place in which to learn. Please feel free to email ([mstew40@eq.edu.au](mailto:mstew40@eq.edu.au)) or come and make an appointment to see me. I'm a big believer in good communication as we work together to achieve our vision.

Thanks, Meagan

**Bullying No Way! National Day of Action**



The annual Bullying No Way! National Day of Action is being held on **Friday 20th March**. This is something our school believes in and we will again be recognising this important day this year. The P&C are wanting to run a free dress day around that time to raise money for the

Easter raffle so we will combine the two – a gold coin free dress day with a “wear orange” theme (this is the official colour of the Bullying: No Way campaign) and the proceeds will go to the P&C Easter raffle. Our student council will be discussing at our next meeting other activities that can be undertaken on the day.

**Glenice Cleary**  
**Deputy Principal**

**University of New South Wales Testing EXPRESSION OF INTEREST Slip**

We are again offering interested students from Years 3 to 6 the opportunity to sit the UNSW tests. Children are invited to participate in any or all of the following subjects: Science, English or Mathematics.

There is a small fee of **\$8.80** to sit each test (THIS IS NOT REQUIRED YET). If you are interested please fill in the expression of interest slip below and return to your child's class teacher by

**Friday 13 March 2015.**  
**Sally Bedford**  
**Curriculum Coordinator**

**Uni. Of NSW Testing EOI Slip**

**1. Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please circle the test/s)

**Science      English      Mathematics**

**2. Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please circle the test/s)

**Science      English      Mathematics**

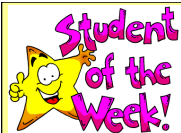
**3. Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please circle the test/s)

**Science      English      Mathematics**





**Term 1, Weeks 5 & 6**  
**Congratulations to these students**  
**on their achievement!**

**Photo**  
**Gallery:**  
**Senior Camp**  
**Tallebudgera**

Caitlin	Prep A	Resilience
Isaac	Prep B	Clever
Liam	Prep C	Respectful
Ryder	Prep D	Resilience
Charlie	1A	Clever
Amelie	1B	Responsibility
Jaxon	1C	Resilience
Aidan	1D	Resilience
Asha	2A	Responsibility
Braxton	2B	Responsibility
Matilda	2C	Respect
Caitlin	2D	Caring
Melanie	3A	Clever
Alex	3C	Respect
Lily	4A	Responsibility
Abby Lanah	4B	Respect
Emerson	4C	Clever
Amelie	4D	Clever
Jay	5A	Clever
Luke	5B	Respect
Jaxon	Senior A	Resilience
Chloe	Senior B	Responsibility
Jacob	Senior C	Caring

William	Prep A	Respect
Sophie	Prep B	Responsibility
Owen	Prep C	Resilience
Lincoln	Prep D	Responsibility
Jimmy	1A	Responsibility
Roman	1B	Clever
Grace	1C	Creative
Johnny	1D	Resilience
Harrison	2A	Creative
Olivia	2B	Respect
Kynan	2C	Clever
Phoebe	2D	Respect
Seth	3A	Respect
Bianca	3C	Clever
Preston	4A	Clever
Trae	4C	Responsibility
Mia	4D	Creative
Annabel	5A	Creative
Tate Mikayla	5B	Clever Creative
Morgan Korey	5C	Clever
Josh	Senior A	Clever
Joshua	Senior B	Respect
Lain	Senior C	Respect



## From the Library



**Bookclub reminder** - Orders with money should be returned to the **library** by **WEDNESDAY Mar 11**. Orders placed directly through Scholastic via the **LOOP (Linked Online Ordering and Payment system)** also need to be made by COB tomorrow (Wednesday Feb 11). Please make sure that if payments only are made online the order forms are returned to school with the receipt number filled in.

After many years (I have lost count!) helping with Book Club orders Mrs Cheryl Porter is not able to continue – I sincerely thank Cheryl for her efficiency, reliability and super organisational skills in making sure orders were sorted accurately. If there is someone else who would be interested in taking on this volunteer role please see me – it involves approximately 3 – 4 hours twice a term.

**Peer Support** – our first session ran very smoothly with Deputies and Leaders being well prepared. The groups I visited were all on task and working well. Our second session is next Monday and the focus will be on responsibility. Students will discuss how to respond in a responsible way to various scenarios at home and school. Each student has a booklet with activities supporting the theme of the session and younger students are paired with older students who assist them with explanations and writing tasks.

**Helen Plaschke**

**Teacher-Librarian / ICT Coordinator**

[library@mtcottonss.eq.edu.au](mailto:library@mtcottonss.eq.edu.au)

## Sports News



Monday 30th March

**Junior Cross Country Prep to 3**

Wednesday 1st April

**Senior Cross Country 4 to 6**

*Congratulations*

### Congratulations Madison

Madison has been selected in the 11yrs and under Bayside District Girls Netball Team.

Madison will compete at the Metropolitan East 11yrs and under Girls Netball Carnival on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Good Luck Madison!

Student Absence Line:

3822 0460

Please leave: name, class  
& brief reason.

Long Absences:

[admin@mtcottonss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@mtcottonss.eq.edu.au)

## Reminders, dates to remember ...

### Week 7

- Mon 9 March Uniform Shop 2.15-3.15pm  
**Religious Instruction Yrs 1 to 5**  
**Senior Camp departs**
- Tues 10 March School Newsletter
- Wed 11 March Cash Window Open 8.15-9.15am  
Tuckshop Open  
**Junior Assembly P to 3**
- Thurs 12 March Cash Window Open 8.15-9.15am  
Tuckshop Open  
**Senior Assembly 4 to 6**  
Uniform Shop 2.15-3.15pm
- Fri 13 March Tuckshop Open  
Uniform Shop Open 8.15-9.15am  
**Senior Camp returns**

### Week 8

- Mon 16 March Uniform Shop 2.15-3.15pm  
**Peer Support**
- Tues 17 March P & C Newsletter
- Wed 18 March Tuckshop open  
Cash Window Open 8.15-9.15am  
**Junior Assembly P to 3**
- Thurs 19 March Tuckshop Open  
Cash Window Open 8.15-9.15am

Uniform Shop 2.15-3.15pm

**Senior Assembly 4 to 6**

- Fri 20 March Tuckshop Open  
Uniform Shop Open 8.15-9.15am  
**Free Dress Day—Anti Bullying**  
(orange - gold coin)

### Week 9

- Mon 23 March Uniform Shop 2.15-3.15pm  
**RE Yrs 1 to 6**
- Tues 24 March School Newsletter
- Wed 25 March Tuckshop Open  
Cash Window Open 8.15-9.15am  
**Junior Assembly P to 3**
- Thurs 26 March Tuckshop Open  
Cash Window Open 8.15-9.15am  
Uniform Shop 2.15-3.15pm  
**Senior Assembly 4 to 6**
- Fri 27 March Tuckshop Open  
Uniform Shop Open 8.15-9.15am  
**Disco—Famous Person**
- Mon 30 March **Junior Cross Country Prep to 3**
- Wed 1 April **Senior Cross Country 4 to 6**

## P & C News

Hi everyone,



Just a quick note that this week is the P&C AGM. It's on Wednesday night the 11th of March at 7.00pm in the Library. Everyone is welcome. If you're interested in joining the P&C or wish to put your hand up for an executive position, come along on Wednesday night. After the AGM there will be the regular P&C meeting.

It's only just over 2 weeks now to the Disco which is on Friday the 27th of March in the school hall. There is also the Orange Free Dress Day on Friday the 20th of March for a gold coin donation. Please remember these 2 dates as they are approaching fast.

That's it for now. Have a great week.

Regards, **Richard Forshaw**

**President Mt Cotton P&C 0417 799 909**

### Disco

Our first school disco for 2015 is **Friday 27th March**. Our theme is **FAMOUS PEOPLE** so come dressed as your favourite famous person. We will have our wonderful DJ playing all the great tunes and our inflatable slide. The canteen will be open selling all our favourites including glow items. The BBQ will be cooking our famous sausage sizzle so come down and enjoy the night.

**Junior Prep to 2 5-6.30pm**

**Senior Year 3 to 6 7-8.30pm**

Entry is \$5. Armband for unlimited slide \$5

Thanks Nicole (Disco Diva)

### Easter Raffle

Easter raffle tickets are due back by Friday 20th March and will be drawn at Junior assembly on Wednesday 25th March.

### Free Dress

Free dress day is Friday 20th March. Please bring a gold coin to support the P & C Easter raffle and remember to wear orange to show our support for national anti bullying day.

## UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

**Price List & Order Form** - Found on the school website ([www.mtcottonss.eq.edu.au](http://www.mtcottonss.eq.edu.au) under Support & Resources/ Documents/P&C Assoc/Price List & Order Form), or the school office, or uniform shop. Can be returned to the P&C box in the school office.

**EMAIL:** [mel-foster@live.com.au](mailto:mel-foster@live.com.au) **PHONE:** 0418 438 747

**Uniform shop hours: Monday 2.15-3.15pm**

**Thurs 2.15-3.15pm, Friday 8.15-9am**

## Tuckshop News



[www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au](http://www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au)

**Jo Wildermoth 0468 944 420**

Tuckshop is open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays for Morning Tea and Lunch. **Roster:**

**Wed 11 March Victoria & Suzi**

**Thurs 12 March Debbie & Suzi**

**Fri 13 March Debbie & Stacey**

We offer a convenient online ordering system – to register go to [www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au](http://www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au) Bag orders are also accepted (please drop your bag order directly to the Tuckshop before school!).

Hi everyone,

I just want to say a huge thank you for supporting the tuck shop. We are getting busier by the day especially through the online ordering system. I have had a couple of complaints regarding the online system, I'd like to remind you to please contact the team at our canteen .com.au with any complaints so we can get the service improved.

I have had so many wonderful people volunteer to help out at the tuck shop, thank you so much ladies, you are what keeps the tuck shop running, if you are interested in volunteering pop in and see me either Wed, Thursday or Friday . Kind regards Jo Wildermoth

## School Banking News

**Student Bankers of the Week**

24/02/15 Nina PB Class: 1C



03/03/15 Kaylee 3B Class: 3A

**Student Banking is done on Tuesdays**

## Community News

**Lorikeets Netball Club**

is looking for players!

If you are turning 11 (b 2004) or 13 (b 2002)  
come and have some fun.

The season has just started but it's not too late.  
For further information and registration forms, contact  
the Club at [lorikeetsnetball@gmail.com](mailto:lorikeetsnetball@gmail.com)

**Capalaba Football Club**

Do you like to run around with your friends? The Capalaba Football Club is forming Miniroos All Girls Soccer Teams for girls born 2005-2009 and we'd love you to be part of our one of teams! Please call Small Sided Football Coordinator Jodie Leach 0432 715 299 or email [jodieleach@me.com](mailto:jodieleach@me.com)

We have trained, blue card approved coaches and our emphasis is on fun, mastering the basics and learning to love the game.

