

**AUBURN
NORTH
PUBLIC
SCHOOL**



**THE SCHOOL WHICH PROVIDES
'THE BEST OF ALL WORLDS
FOR
21ST CENTURY LEARNERS'**

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Dear Parents,

I believe a school can be classified as either a stationary school or a MOVING school. When I reflect on our community's outstanding 2014 achievements I think that it's obvious that we have MOVED FORWARD significantly since February this year.

As you know, our 2014 saying has been:

'In 2013, We Did Succeed.

But in 2014, We Must All Exceed!

Our multi-award-winning Auburn North Public School Learning Community has expected success and exceeded our expectations in all areas this year, including:

- **Leadership;**
- **Teaching;**
- **Learning; and**
- **Parent Participation.**

I believe that it has been the combination of moving forward in the areas of leadership, teaching, learning, and parent participation, with all community members working together as one united team this year, that explains why all of our 612 K-6 students have achieved outstanding performances in the academic, emotional, social, physical, and creative areas this year and actually **exceeded their potential** in each one of these areas. Each one of our students deserves to be congratulated on their effort and achievements in 2014.

I believe that anything and everything is possible, including exceeding potential and expectations, when students love THEIR school and love learning, and when teachers are passionate about their profession and are totally dedicated to the welfare and education of their students. I believe in 2014 we have had students who love their school and who love their learning, and we certainly have had teachers who are dedicated to assisting our students exceed their full potential in all areas and becoming well-rounded young people.

NAPLAN data and school-based data demonstrate that our students have exceeded their potential academically. As well as academically, I believe our students have exceeded their full potential emotionally and socially. Our students are the happiest, most respectful and appreciative students I've

ever met. They embody our school values of **honesty, kindness, respect, fairness, friendship, and responsibility** and are a joy to be with every single school day. I'm very pleased to inform you that more students this year have received **gold badges** than ever before and more students than ever before have received 60 commendations and attended last week's **Principal's Morning Tea** with their proud parents. Their achievements reflect so positively on the emotional and social development of our students.

SEMESTER 2 REPORTS - A 'CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS'

Semester 2 students reports have gone home with children today. I have read and signed each of the 612 reports and each one is a '**CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS**'. The reports reflect your children's progress over the past 6 months and demonstrate how effectively and successfully our students, teachers, and parents have worked together collaboratively and cooperatively all year to facilitate student success.

When you sit down this afternoon with your children to read the reports, can I ask you to focus on the back page which includes '**Values**', '**Social Development**' and '**Attitudes and Work Habits**' because these areas indicate your children's development in the very important emotional and social areas.

STAFFING INFORMATION and FAREWELLS

After 7 years of outstanding teaching at Auburn North, **Ms Malcolm** is leaving our school tomorrow. Ms Malcolm has been successful in gaining a transfer to a school closer to her home.

We selected Ms Malcolm to be a temporary teacher at Auburn North when she graduated from University and in the following year we selected her as a permanent teacher. Ms Malcolm has demonstrated that she is a highly-skilled teacher who has been totally committed to the welfare and education of our students.

Ms Malcolm was a classroom teacher and for the past two years she has been a Reading Recovery teacher. In these roles, Ms Malcolm has had a significant impact on the short-and long-term learning of our students. She has also coordinated our very successful and popular 'After School Sports Program'.

On behalf of all Auburn North staff, students, and parents, I would like to thank Ms Malcolm for everything she has done for our students and our school. She will be sorely missed and we wish her all the very best in her future career.

Ms Smits has been an excellent year 4 teacher at Auburn North this year and she has assisted students achieve great success in all areas of their learning. Ms Smits has been able to secure a teaching position in a school much closer to her home for the 2015 school year. Tomorrow will be Ms Smit's final day at Auburn North. On behalf of our community, I would like to thank Ms Smits for her commitment to her students.

Ms Mo has been a dedicated and enthusiastic teacher at Auburn North in 2014. She has assisted the learning of our K-2 students and in particular our young New Arrival students. We were not able to offer Ms Mo a permanent position and she was offered and has accepted a permanent position in another school.

We wish all three teachers every success in their future teaching careers.

THANK YOU STAFF

The teaching profession has been called '**the knowing and caring profession.**' This is certainly the case at Auburn North where our teachers are so knowledgeable and skilled and so very caring.

Our boys and girls are so fortunate to have world-class teachers who have assisted them love their school and love their learning this year. Our teachers are very talented people who are passionate about their profession and are totally devoted to assisting each student exceed their full potential.

Our teachers are committed to providing our students with the widest range of programs and opportunities to develop their interests and talents both inside the classroom and outside the classroom and they have assisted our students achieve outstanding success in all areas this year. I would like to thank our **wonderful teachers** for their extraordinary work this year.

I would also like to thank our **office staff, Mrs Daujotis**, and the members of our dynamic leadership team who are:

- Mrs Southgate
- Ms Camp
- Mrs French
- Ms Ireland
- Mrs Irrgang
- Ms Gerdes
- Ms McGufficke
- Mrs Zammit
- Mrs Clift
- Mrs Lavulavu
- Ms O'Rourke
- Mrs Quigley
- Ms Vallotta

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

After our school family's exceptionally successful year it is now time for students staff and parents to enjoy a well-earned holiday. On behalf of my staff, I wish you a safe and peaceful holiday. Tomorrow is the last school day of the year. Students return to school on **Wednesday 28th January, 2015 (Year 1 to Year 6)**, while our new 2015 Kindergarten students commence on **Monday 2nd February, 2015**.

CLASS REPORTS: YEAR 6 FAREWELL

I would like to thank **Year 6**, and their teachers, **Ms Vallotta, Ms Ireland and Mrs Lim**, for their farewell report.

Mr M. Harris
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES 2014

DECEMBER

Tues 16th Dec	Year 6 Graduation Assembly Reports go home Year 3-6 Disco - 5.30pm to 7pm
Wed 17th Dec	K-6 Assembly at 2.30pm LAST DAY OF TERM 4 FOR STUDENTS
Thur 18th Dec	School Development Day (STAFF ONLY)
Fri 19th Dec	School Development Day (STAFF ONLY)

2015

Wed 28th Jan	Year 1 - Year 6 Students return to school
Mon 2nd Feb	2015 Kindergarten Students start school

Principal's Award

KF	Aashna	For always displaying kindness and friendship to her peers.
KH	Zayd	For being a diligent and hardworking student in all subject areas. Well done, Zayd!
KL	Isabella	For exceeding her potential and being a great role model for her peers. An amazing effort throughout the year. Well done, Isabella!
KL	Maria	For being very eager to learn Dari language and always upholding the ANPS values.
KR	Hassanatu	For your commitment and dedication during reading and writing sessions. Keep up your positive attitude.
KT	Om	For always being a responsible student.
KT	Sayeda	For her ability to cut a whole object into halves, quarters, thirds and fifths during maths.
KT	Azra	For excellent work in working towards exceeding her learning potential and being a self-regulated learner in Turkish class.
KT	Kaynat	For achieving highest quality outcomes in numbers and shapes at the end of the year, and always upholding the ANPS values.
1E	Arzo	For being a kind and friendly member of 1E.
1H	Zainab	For always showing the values of kindness and respect to all of her teachers and peers.
1SM	Negar	For consistently showing the Auburn North values of responsibility and respect towards all members of 1SM.
1SM	Boran	For always being motivated and committed to learn all language skills in English and in Turkish.
1SM	Behrooz	For striving to exceed his personal best in all areas of learning.
2B	Samiksha	For working consistently to exceed all her learning goals for 2014.
2Q	Maziyar	For always demonstrating the ANPS values of kindness, honesty and respect.
2S	Sarah	For being an active and enthusiastic learner during all class activities.
2S	Zohaib	For always trying his best to exceed his potential using feedback from peers and teachers.
2S	Anaheetha	For always trying to complete any given task in Dari and always being a responsible student in Dari lessons.
3L	Thashalia	For always following the six school values and an excellent role model for her peers.
3M	Joe	For always demonstrating all the Auburn North values in and out of the classroom.
3M	Shirley	For always being a caring member of 3M while displaying all school values.
3R	Fahim	For always being a positive role model to his peers.
4/3C	Ruhab	For writing a thoughtful thank you letter to her parents,
5S	Khadeejah	For being a cheerful helper and showing initiative in the classroom.
5V	Aiman	For consistently demonstrating all of the school values.
6/5C	Pauline	For always putting in maximum effort in all learning tasks.
6/5C	Arzoo	For being eager to participate in Dari discussions and completing her Dari homework to the best of her ability.
6I	Aaqib	For his incredibly diligent attitude to all aspects of his learning.
6L	Abdirahman	For consistently demonstrating the six Auburn North values.

NOT RETURNING - TRANSFERRING TO ANOTHER SCHOOL

My child / children: _____ of class _____
_____ of class _____
_____ of class _____

WILL NOT be returning to Auburn North Public School in 2015.

Parent/Guardian print name: _____

Parents/Guardian signature: _____

Please collect a transfer certificate from our school office before enrolling in your new school.



HOLIDAYS - RETURNING LATE (AFTER 28-01-2015)

My child / children: _____ of class _____
_____ of class _____
_____ of class _____
_____ of class _____

Will be on **holidays** and will return **late** to Auburn North Public School in 2015.

Returning to school on _____ / _____ / 2015

Parent/Guardian print name: _____

Parents/Guardian signature: _____