Hello Everyone,

Unbelievably, this is our last newsletter for the year! With Presentation Night being on next Wednesday there will be no addition of our newsletter that day. Please refer to the invitation in the next column regarding starting times. It is the major school event for the year, and is such a celebration. Our school leaders for 2017 will be announced that night too!

The last week of the school year here at Swayneville is still full of action. Not only do we have the preparation for Presentation Night, but the Monday is the swimming carnival (tuckshop order and more information further in) and Thursday is Rewards Day. Parade will move forward to Thursday afternoon, and reports will be distributed on parade. Any reports that are not collected/distributed by the Friday, will be posted. Families needing additional copies are catered for, so please let us know if you do not receive it. Students engage in cleaning up their classrooms on the Friday, and celebrating!

This Friday is the last day of tuckshop. Orders to the office as usual please. Additionally, please send in orders for the swimming carnival. I would also like to express sincere thanks for the Mums and Dads who help make tuckshop happen each week. It is a significant investment of time by a few, and something that we all benefit from. Thank you!

Good news: Advocacy by The Queensland Association State School Principals for over 10 years, as finally produced an outcome. From 2017 an additional 0.195 (19 days a semester) staffing allocation will be awarded to Swayneville School (small schools) in recognition of the severely intense load carried by teaching principals.

-- Roslyn Waldron (Principal)

**Important Dates:**
- 30 November – Leadership Speeches for school leaders 2017, 1:40 in the undercover area.
- 2 December – Year 6 Graduation Dinner 6:00pm start.
- 5 December – Swimming Carnival
- 7 December – Presentation Night
- 8 December – Rewards Day + Final parade. Reports home.
- 9 December – final day of term - No parade

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Swimming Carnival – 5 December

- All children arrive at school as per usual.
- The Junior School Carnival (P – 2*) is undertaken in the morning from 9:30am until 11:30am.
- After roll marking, the (P – 2*) children are bused to the Sarina Pool.
- The upper grades (Y3 – 6) will be bused down to the pool soon after 10:30am. This way they still have learning time and are not in the sun for the full day.
- A shared lunch between 11:15 – 12:00pm is catered for by the P&C. Order information will sent home at a later time.
- Junior students return to school for the afternoon (for the same reasons as above). The Senior Carnival then runs from 12:00pm till 2:30pm.
- At 2:30pm, the senior students are bused back to school in time for the finish of the day, and the usual after school buses.
- The school leaders, teachers and teacher aides help Mr Campbell run the carnival.
- Family is most welcome to come, watch and cheer for Jackson and Donahue. Regrettably, we ask that High School Students who may be finished for the year, are not to be in attendance.
- * the Year 2 children in the age cohort that also incorporates Year 3 students

The P&C will be selling STEAK BURGERS AND SAUSAGE ON BREAD at the SWIMMING CARNIVAL on Monday 5th December. To assist with catering can you please complete the order form, attach to a brown paper bag with payment and return to school by Friday the 2nd December.

Ordering is essential to avoid disappointment. Order forms are being sent home with each child today. The school will also send out reminders via text.

Expression of Interest
Casual Teacher Aide for 2017

Expressions of interest are being called for a casual/temporary teacher aide position at Swayneville State School for 2017. Please send resume with two referees to principal@swayneviss.eq.edu.au by COB 7 December, 2016. Certificate III in Education Support or equivalent is preferred. Must be Blue Card eligible, and willing to work within a team environment. Flexibility with hours desirable.

Food For Thought
DIFFERENT PARENTING STYLES?

HOW TO GET ON THE SAME TEAM.

It’s common – and not unexpected – that parents will argue or disagree about the way they raise their children. But parents can learn to deal with these differences through good communication. And kids will feel happier at home if their parents are working as a team.

Of course, this isn’t always easy. Each parent has their own beliefs, values, expectations and skills. Plus, the day-to-day demands of a family can make teamwork tough.

It’s important to support each other with parenting. Your partner might be dealing with bedtime dramas. You can support them by following through with the discipline you’ve both agreed on.

If you’re unhappy with the way your partner has handled the situation, wait until it’s over to calmly discuss it.

It is also good to find some time to talk about each other’s day. And remember to let your partner know when you think they’ve done a good job with the kids.

-- Chappie Di

Merry Christmas, everyone!
News regarding the bus shelter ….

“The Mayor has asked me to pass on the following information to you which has been provided by our Director of Engineering and Commercial Infrastructure, Mr Jason Devitt.

Mr Devitt has confirmed that as Council has received a number of requests for new bus shelters Council has undertaken a prioritization assessment of where Council would install the first shelters should funding become available. Two priority sites have been identified through this process and Swayneville State School is one of those priority sites of which you have been advised.

In relation to the opportunity to review the option to relocate older shelters, Council will be doing this following the commencement of the new public bus routes which commenced yesterday. Council will review which shelters are now not required on the public bus networks and also not part of the school based network. These may be able to be reallocated to other uses depending on their condition and suitability for DDA requirements.

Council will make contact as soon as more information is to hand following the review.”

You’re AWESOME student councilors!

Thanks to the hard work of our 2016 student council, the school has been able to purchase tickets for next year’s School Leaders to attend the GRIP Leadership conference. Their fundraising has also purchased 6 bee-bots for the school to use. They have already been used by most classes around the school!

Spiro has been purchased too and is hiding somewhere just waiting to pounce! Spiro is a programmable sphere that runs everywhere and is driven by remote/mobile phone.

Being a learner can be so much fun. 😊