Wednesday Waffles
Next Wednesday 25th May we will be holding a morning breakfast for students of waffles and fruit. As this is a long term with much happening and assessment being in full swing this is a good way of recharging and celebrating the great work that is happening in our classrooms. Thank you to Tracy for organizing this we are very excited!

Progress Report
As a school that prides itself on getting the best for all students we recently had a look at our current school data in light of our key priorities of improving Writing, Spelling and attendance. I am pleased to say that we are currently just 1.7% off reaching our aspirational targets for both Writing and Spelling. Most pleasing is that our attendance figures continue to improve and we are just 0.5% off reaching our target. There is a clear relationship between increased attendance and increased performance so none of these figures stand alone.

For your reference please see the below priorities for our school. We are taking a sharp and narrow focus to move the very good to great.

Priority 1—Improve Student Outcomes in Writing and Spelling
Priority 2—Improve Student Attendance
Priority 3—Evidence based teaching practices across the school
Priority 4—Positive School Climate

Sport
This term is a big term of sport. We held our school cross-country event and will be attending the City Small Schools Athletics Carnival at Newmarket State School. Please note that parents will need to organise for students to be transported both to and from Newmarket State School to participate in the day. This is a competition against other Brisbane based small schools and a wonderful opportunity that we expect all students to attend. More information will be sent in the coming week regarding the logistics of this event.

We have had Auskick running both as a part of school lessons and after school. Students have really enjoyed learning and practicing their new skills. Next term we will be having sessions with the Queensland Reds also as a part of school PE and for those interested after-school. We are looking forward to working with them.

Nurture the Nest
Our current Nurture the Nest focus is on Nurturing Self by following instructions quickly. Our students are exposed to a consistent set of expectations and routines each day and by following instructions quickly they are going to be able to optimise their learning and safety at school.

Parade
Please join us at our new parade time of 8:50 every Monday morning.

Deadly Australians Animal Talk
Next Wednesday all students will be attending an incursion from 2-3pm. Deadly Australians is an entertaining and educational presentation on the animals living in our backyards. This is a highly interactive and hand-on presentation. Parents are welcome to attend.
**KAOS Partnership**
As a part of our partnership with other Kenmore district schools all teachers will be involved in a moderation session next Wednesday. The purpose of this is to provide clarity and consistency in teacher judgement and ensure all schools are working from the same set of standards.

**UQ Honours Research**
Students in grade 4-6 are being invited to participate in a research project being run by the University of Queensland. Ms Anita Muller will be conducting research to look at ways that introverted students construct their identities within a school setting. Please keep an eye out on the paperwork coming home soon. I would like to encourage as many students as possible to take part and support the program.

**English**
This term we are learning how to use persuasive devices in our writing. Our task was to write an election speech to be in charge of our school. Would you vote for this person?

Good morning fellow citizens of this country, I’m Elea Fant and I’ll give you big opportunities because I’m big. Have you ever wondered how the schools, that are less fortunate, could change if a leader was in charge? Well you can stop dreaming, if you vote for me schools will be more effective for children’s learning.

The things I can do for the people are: give them jobs, education and a good Prime Minister. If I got elected schools will have better things like equipment, sports fields, laptops and after school activities such as soccer training, horse riding and so much more! When I become Prime Minister I will do the best I can to provide for the people. Remember ‘the bigger, the better’. Vote for me now for a bigger and better future.

Written for Elea Fant by Ruby Cammerman

**Physical Education**
Cross country is now finished for the year, congratulations to all those that represented our school! Our new focus is on Sports Day, on Wednesday 8th of June. 3-6 class will be practicing the events of High Jump (scissor kick), Long Jump, Shot Put and the sprints, whereas the P-2 class will focus on ball games and sprints.

Well done to the Senior Class Soccer team who finished 2nd overall in the Inter-School competition.

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**Fun Food Friday**
If you are willing to help our with Fun Food Friday please speak to one of our helpful P&C members.

**Small Schools Sports Carnival**
The City Small Schools’ Athletics Carnival will be held at Newmarket State School on Wednesday the 8th of June for all students.

We will require parents to organise transport for their children to and from the event which will begin at 9am and conclude at roughly 2:30.

If you are having difficulty organising transport for your child please let Mr Branford know.
Do you want to have fun, party but also burn calories without even knowing?! Well look no further!
Join Mar-li’s Zumba Fiesta Fitness class!
Starting on the 1st of March
Tuesday nights from 6:00pm – 7:00pm at
Upper Brookfield community Hall
All is welcome, no fitness level required!
Entry
$10 per person
Requirements: please bring a water bottle and towel
LET’S ZUMBA!!