Hello Vincent Community........

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support of our great Vincent SS school and community. Our students have had a very successful week of learning in and out of the classroom. We have noticed an extra special effort by parents getting your kids to school by 9:00am every day – great work. As a School, we have focussed on:

- **Attendance** - every day does matter. Congratulations to our Prep class who achieved 95% attendance last week. Also congratulations to all students who had the pizza party last week for attending every day.
- **Reading** – all students are working on their reading strategies and goals every day.
- **Behaviour** – we have focussed on ‘First Time Every Time’ as a strategy. I have noticed our kids returning to class quickly after lunches, lining up well, following teacher instructions ‘first time, every time’.
- **Rewards** – we have rewarded great behaviour with Vincent Vouchers, stickers, prizes from the prize box, thank you’s and even phone calls home to say well done.
- **Time Away room** – we do have consequences for students at lunchtime who do not follow our rules.

**Parent Teacher Sharing Meetings – next week**

This week you will receive a letter inviting you to come up to the school to meet with your child’s teacher and to share ideas on how we can improve the reading, writing and maths skills of your child. These meetings are very important and I encourage every parent and carer to complete the meeting slips and meet with your child’s teacher. We value these meetings and there is a special ‘thank you’ to all parents and carers who attend.

I look forward to meeting parents and carers next week. Please remember we are here to work for your children. If you have any concerns, please feel very welcome to come up and discuss these with myself or a member of our caring team.

Go Vincent....
John K

**Teacher Aide Day**

Across the globe, the work of Teacher Aides will be acknowledged this Friday. Our Teacher Aides at Vincent do so much for our students. Our teaching staff are able to receive extra support. Our students are very lucky to have so many Teacher Aides at our school. We will celebrate the day on Friday with a special lunch held in our staffroom. Good job!
**Every Day Counts**

**Attendance:**

Our Aim is **90%**

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**Let’s Read in the Park**

**Monday 8 September**

9.30am – 11.30am

**Jeff Caddies Park**

(Off Riverway Drive, Rasmussen)

Give your child a head start by reading and playing with them every day. Come and discover cheap, easy and fun ways to get them started on their learning journey.

- Read books and play make believe
- Get messy with goop, slime and shredded paper
- Sing songs and rhymes
- Have your face painted
- Celebrate national HIPPY Week
- Lucky door prizes and a “Let’s Read” cake

**Lots of FREE things to see and do**

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**Tuckshop**

Our tuckshop was closed last Tuesday as the lady who runs it was away ill. I have no spare ‘back-up’ volunteers who can fill in so consequently we had to close. It is disappointing that we can still only operate on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. We would very much like to open on Thursdays as well. So, once again, are there several parents out there who would be prepared to volunteer to run the tuckshop on a Thursday morning. You would need to be here at 8.30 a.m. and leave around 11.45 a.m. not a very long time really. It would be much appreciated. So give it some thought please.

If you are interested, please call down to Prep and see ‘Miss Jenny’.

Jennifer Buckby, P & C President.

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**Rewards Party**

**Congratulations to students at Last weeks’ Rewards Party.**

- Prep: Arama, Lyriq, William, Mana, Sona, Jett and Tottie.
- Year 1/2: Joshua, Riley, Manaia, Stevie, and Ellison.
- Year 2/3: Hannah, Lickyah, Billy, Chantelle, Hugh, Monique, Nikita-lee and Cayenne.
- Year 3/4: Trequille, Charlee, Cassy, Serenity, Tyler, Patricia and Vj.
- Year 5/6/7: Selena, Brian, Temac, Monica, Benjamin, Sterling, Kuresa, Emelia and Talisha.
- Year 6/7: Delina, Taliah, Ethan, Tristan, Nicholas, Abby, Emma, Lattrell, Riordan, Melora, Aka, Heidi, Shadare, Joseph, Bradley, Jimmi and Mirandah.
Our Trip to Reef HQ and Museum

On Wednesday, Kuresa, Danny, Redeem and I went to Reef HQ and the museum, it was great!!

I saw a leopard shark, a salt water crocodile and the turtle hospital.

At the turtle hospital there were lots of turtles, but Izzy was special. Izzy is a Green Sea Turtle who got hit by a boat and bitten by a crocodile. Izzy is a female turtle who weighs 110kg and is over 50 years old. All the teachers got to feed her squid.

Written by Emelia and Danny

Term 2 Sports Carnival

BOOK WEEK

The pictures on the next page show how excited our students were to receive their free picture books for our celebration of Book Week this year.

Students are working on their reading goals at the moment. Many have had or are about to have their end of term reading tests to see how much their skills have improved. Practising their sight words is also very important as these words make up most of the words that appear in books.
La Luna Arts Presents
A Seussical Adventure
Could you, would you See the show….
It’s a dance show Don’t you know.
Riverway Arts Centre - Thursday, Friday 2 & 3 October
10.00am & 1.00pm - Saturday 4 October 2.00pm & 6.00pm
Tickets through Ticketshop 4727 9777

CENTACARE CIRCUS
Wednesday 10 September 3.30pm to 5.00pm
Centacare North Queensland, 410 Ross River Road, Cranbrook
Go on, come and see the Circus Family talk Protective Behaviours, Personal Safety messages for Children and Young people. Information session for parents
ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
Please call 4772 9000 to register your children.

Cowboys Ticket Offer
The North Queensland Toyota Cowboys would like to invite ADOPT-A-SCHOOL participants and their families to our last game of the season
Cowboys v Sea Eagles
Saturday 6 September
50% OFF
1300SMILES STADIUM
All Family Passes (2A + 2C) Southern Grandstand (Bay 330 – 334)
Northern Grandstand (Bay 301-306)
To purchase your tickets: Use Access Code School
Online: Ticketex.com.au or Phone: 132 849
In person: 1300SMILES Stadium, Stockland, Cowboys leagues Club, Townsville Civic Theatre, Riverway Arts Centre.

Heatley Secondary College
 Invite Year 6 and 7 students to a DISCO
Friday 12 September (Theme: Sport)
Tickets are $5 and available at the Vincent State School Office.

BOOK WEEK