Hello Vincent Community…….

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It was wonderful to see our Vincent SS students first thing on parade on Tuesday. I looked out and saw all students in uniform sitting up proudly, happy to be back at their school. I spoke to the students about our school as one big team and that I was happy and proud to be on the Vincent SS team.

This term all staff at Vincent SS and all students will focus on 3 very important issues – Reading, attendance and behaviour. Each and every day, every student will work hard at improving their reading skills.

Last term we had some fantastic improvements in student reading levels. We will also be chasing up students who have been absent. Students who attend school regularly, learn. It is as simple as that.

Learning is very important to us here at Vincent SS – we take the learning of each and every child very seriously. Thank you for your support to get your children here each and every day.

Lastly, we want the community to know that we have a safe and supportive school. We are working hard on rewarding wonderful behaviour and applying consequences to students who misbehave. Ask your children how things are at school. Things are great.

Please feel free to come in and discuss any issues you may have with me, a teacher or one of our caring Admin team.

John

Audit Results

Yesterday we had a School Specialist come to Vincent and spend the day talking with teachers, students, P and C members and parents.

His job was to provide information to the school on how we are going with our school procedures to manage student behaviour and create safe and supportive learning classrooms.

At the end of the day he sat myself, the admin team and all teachers down to let us know how we are going. I was very, very pleased with his report.

He enjoyed his day at Vincent, gave our kids a pat on the back and reassured the school that the systems he investigated are working well to support students, teachers, parents and importantly, wonderful learning.

Well done to all teachers, students and parents.
New AUSLAN Newsletter Service

From next week, we hope to unveil our new AUSLAN newsletter. It is a media file of video-taped AUSLAN (sign language). Our deaf community will be able to access the recording from our school website by swiping the QR code printed in our usual newsletter with a smart phone or other device.

Stay tuned for this exciting project.

Amazing Reading Improvement Results

After a term of explicit instruction in reading, our staff and students have achieved incredible results. 25.2% of our students improved their reading levels by 3 or more levels! Some students improved by 5 and 8 levels! Usual growth is one level a term.

We rewarded these students with an icy-pole in the last week of school at a special celebration. Our new intervention classes introduced in Term 3 made incredible progress.

Superb effort!

I Opened a Book

"I opened a book and in I strode,
Now nobody can find me,
I've left my chair, my house, my road,
My town and my world behind me.
I'm wearing the cloak, I've slipped on the ring,
I've swallowed the magic potion,
I've fought with a dragon, dined with a king
And dived in a bottomless ocean,
I opened a book and made some friends,
I shared their tears and laughter
And followed their road with its bumps and bends
To the happily ever after
I finished my book and out I came.
The cloak can no longer hide me,
My chair and my house are just the same,
But I have a book inside me."

– Julia Donaldson

Year 5/6/7 Imachination Art Assessment

Students displaying their art work:
Harley; Madison; Selina; Monica; Kuresa; Jonathon; Ben and Emelia.
Townsville Intercultural Centre Presents

Mental Health & Mind Clicks - Mental health Week celebrations 2014 -

Thursday 9 October
10.00am – 2.30pm
TAFE College Grounds – Fulham Road

Information Stalls: Cultural Performances, workshops, Trivia Quiz, Music, Drum Circle, Meditation, Yoga, Zumba, Games and more.
FREE Sausage Sizzle

To RSVP and for more information please contact: Thez on 4772 4800 or thez@townsvilleic.com.au

Sad Farewell To Our Chappy

Last term our students said farewell to our Chappy Adam. He received a call from a school in need and is off to help out where he can. Chappy Adam was wonderful for our school community. We will be welcoming our new Chaplain soon.

Emoticons Rule!

'GET IN THE GAME'
$150 VOUCHERS

The government offers $150 vouchers for families paying for joining a sports club, club memberships and these sorts of expenses. Below is the website for more information.


Vincent Vouchers

When you child is caught doing the right thing they will receive a Vincent Voucher. This is a small reward to say thank you for ‘doing the right thing’. These vouchers are then taken to the teacher, marked off on a student passport and then put into a box for a weekly classroom prize draw.

We have had a number of students make the 25 Voucher club. Some students are even heading towards the 50 club. This is just one way we reward our students making the right choices.