

# Hincks Avenue Primary School News

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

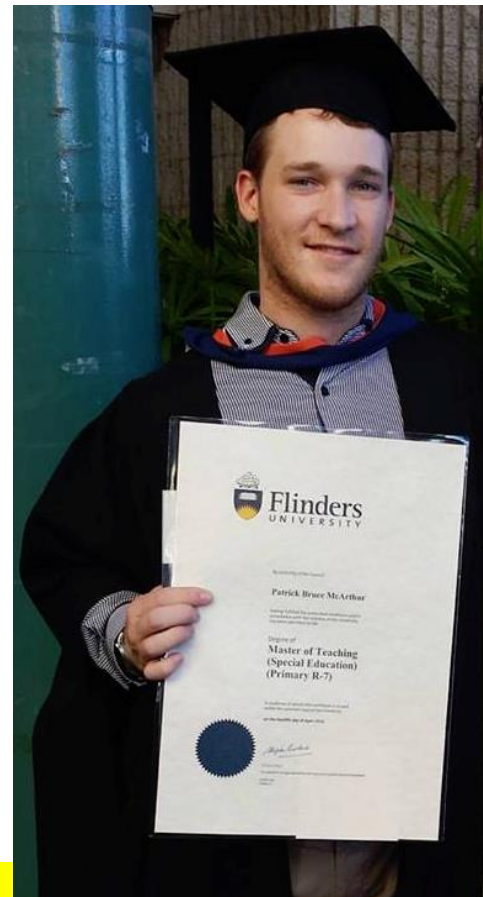
One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day, and arrive on time. It sounds simple, but it's true. The correlation between school attendance and your child's achievement levels is well established. The more time kids spend at school the more likely they are to experience school success. Our target for attendance is 95% this year. As you can see we did not reach that target last year.

Attendance by Year Levels	2015	Term 1 - 2016
Reception	87.7%	94.1%
Year 1	91.6%	79.5%
Year 2	89%	93.9%
Year 3	81.8%	86.6%
Year 4	83.3%	86%
Year 5	82.7%	86.8%
Year 6	87.2%	90%
Year 7	77.1%	86.1%
Total All Year Levels	84.5%	87.87%

Australian kids only spend 15% of their total time in school so we need to maximise every day to get full value. On average many children miss between 12 and 15 days per year, this adds up to a year's lost schooling over the school life of a child. This is alarming, and puts our kids at a distinct disadvantage

Rosie Gilsenan-Reed - Principal

Congratulations to our 2 new teachers Jess Reed and Patrick McArthur who Graduated this week



### Upcoming Events

#### ◆ Student Free Day

Friday 15 April  
and  
Monday 2 May

#### ◆ Last day of Term 1 Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> April

#### ◆ First day of Term 2 Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> May

# Success Helper Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students:-

Amelia Docherty  
Maddie Chadwick  
Ebony Johnson  
Tyler-John Franklin  
Tarkyn Taylor  
Peta-Maree Ward

Levi Robinson  
Kelea Woods  
Nick Murphy  
Kristina Lowe  
Pasquo El-Sheikh  
Paityn Connor-Grantham

Kodhyn Searle  
Mathew Smith  
Jayden Kauffmann  
Bhuvan Jayaraman  
Tyrone Packham

Annabelle McKnight  
Precious Aguilar  
Prince Aguilar  
Alaysious Graham  
Cody Williams



## Adelaide Crows Visit

On Tuesday of Week 11 we had a visit from two members of the Adelaide Crows organization, as well as their mascot, Claude the Crow. Students learned about the 'Growing with Gratitude' program that helps children learn habits of happiness.

## Girls Basketball Interschool Carnival

Abbey White, Mia Peel, Yalanda Taylor, Amber King, Princess Aguilar and Lucy Baker

The Girl's Basketball team did an amazing job and were undefeated on the day, winning the Division Two pennant. Great Job girls!



## Boys Interschool Basketball Carnival

Corey Wilson, Kale Davis, Jamahl Ed, Joseph Jebydah, Allaysious Graham  
The Boy's Basketball team did a great job against strong opposition. They came second by a single point in the Attitude Award! Well done boys!