23rd April 2015

Be a Learner

Be Safe

Be Respectful

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 10
Dale
Eli
Kobi
Lilli
P.E.
Katia
P’ground
Matti
Principal’s
Layney
Science
Layney/Rachel

RULE OF THE WEEK

Week 2- Always use and care for outdoor equipment appropriately.
Week 3- Always use polite language.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Years 1 to 6 teachers will be conducting interviews during weeks 2 and 3 of Term 2. Rosters will be available near the entrance to each classroom. Please indicate your preferred time. Fifteen minute timeslots have been made available across mornings and afternoons during these weeks.

SCHOOL CAMP

The year 4 to 6 camp has now been confirmed. Students will be attending Camp Warrawee at Joyner from the 25th to 27th November.
In order to help reduce the cost of camp for parents, we have tentatively booked a sausage sizzle outside Woolworths at Pub Lane, Greenbank on Saturday 9th May. Please see Miss Sandford if you are able to assist on this day.
As the camp is approximately $200 per child, you may like to commence making part payments towards the camp. Mrs Howsan in the office will be able to assist with cash and cheque payments. Internet payments can be made through the normal channels.

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to Term 2. We hope that everyone had an enjoyable holiday. This will be a very busy term with Cross Country, NAPLAN and reports.
Unfortunately Mrs Jacinta Becerra was unable to continue teaching LOTE at our school. We would like to thank her for her efforts during term 1.
We welcome to Veresdale Mrs Renae Duffy, who will now be teaching LOTE to year 5/6.
SCHOOL PERFORMANCE TOURS – A SWAG OF TALES

On May 4th, School Performance Tours will visit our school to perform “A Swag of Tales”. This is a whole school activity and will cost $4.00 per student. Please send payment with the attached slip by Wednesday 29th April.

A Swag of Tales leads the children through a zany yet informative history lesson that starts in England with a convict court case and covers the voyage to Australia, early Settlement, the Gold Rush, the Bushrangers, Squatters and the age of the Swagman.

To help convey to students the concept of time and history, a time line is drawn using 25 year intervals, that goes back eleven generations to the first fleet. Using toys, period costumes (some of which are worn by your students), stories and music, students get an idea of what life was like during those first one hundred and fifty years of European settlement in Australia.

The whole show comes alive with great costuming, props, an impressive set and simple yet effective lighting. There is loads of audience participation as students are involved in everything from hold ups to dressing up in costumes of the day; and when ‘Waltzing Matilda’ is sung by a sheep from the sheep’s point of view the result is hilarious. It’s no fun being stuffed into a tucker bag!

HEAD LICE

A special note was sent home to all families on Wednesday regarding head lice. Please make sure that you read the note and keep checking your child/children’s hair.

Please check hats as well and wash them regularly to help break the cycle. We do not allow any sharing of hats at school for this reason.

DATES OF INTEREST

April 25 Anzac Day march, Beaudesert 11am
May 04 School Performance Tours

SCHOOL ANZAC SERVICE

On Thursday, members of the Beaudesert RSL, together with a serving member from the Australian Armed Services, attended our school Anzac Day service. The senior leaders all did a fantastic job of running the service and Lucy ran the choir very professionally in Mrs Conway’s absence. Well done everyone.

Thank you to Ms. Sandford and Mrs Conway for your time spent organising and rehearsing with the students. Thank you also to all parents and friends who came along to join us.

A reminder that those students who will be marching on Saturday in Beaudesert, will need to meet Mrs Simpson and Ms. Sandford at the Woolworths Carpark by 11.00 am. They need to be wearing the teal and black school uniform, have their school hat and be carrying a water bottle. Parents will need to collect their children as soon as the service is finished.

ZONTA CALENDAR – DRAWING COMPETITION

The ZONTA Club of Beaudesert are holding a drawing competition titled “Expect Respect” for Yr 3 to Yr 6 students during May/June this year. From these drawings they choose 13 winners which will be put into a calendar for 2016. Beaudesert Police believe this is a positive step in educating children and have welcomed the opportunity to assist ZONTA in promoting this project. Woolworths is involved as a major sponsor and have offered to display all the entries in store. Entries will be collected on June 19th.

On Friday 1st May at 2pm, representatives from ZONTA and Beaudesert Police will visit our school to chat to the students in years 3 to 6 about the competition and, briefly, about Domestic Violence and Bullying.

If you strongly object to your child participating in this please contact the school by Wednesday 29th April.

ANNIVERSARY

Veresdale Scrub State School celebrates its anniversary on 25th April. Our school is 116 years old tomorrow.