8th May 2015

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 1
Kai
Macallister
Mya
Charlize
Faith

Music
Audrey /Jade

Choir
Dannilin

P.E.
Charlie

P’ground
Abigail

Principal’s
Shae

Science
Mya /Ruby

Week 2
Charlie
Brooke
Sebastian
Olivia
Samara

Music
Chloe /Hugh /Ethan

Choir
Lucy

P.E.
Qrat ul Ayeen

P’ground
Caitlin

Principal’s
Eli

Science
Ella /Cassie

LOTE
Lilly

HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY

We would like to wish all our mums and grandmothers a very Happy Mother’s Day on Sunday. We hope you all have a very relaxing day.

NAPLAN

Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN testing from Tuesday to Thursday next week.

The tests provide an important point-in-time snapshot of your child’s results and should be considered along with the range of other performance information collected by each school.

It is important that all students have a good night’s sleep and a substantial breakfast before any school day. As testing can be quite taxing on students, it is imperative that they are feeling alert and nourished throughout. We ask all parents of Year 3 and 5 students to remind their child/children that this is just another form of school assessment and that there is no need to be anxious.

Testing will be held during session 1 and 2 on Tuesday and session 1 on Wednesday and Thursday. All testing will occur in F Block.

Students in Years 2, 4 and 6 will undertake normal lessons (Maths) during these sessions.
STUDENT CONTACT

We have been advised that some parents are taking the liberty of approaching students to discuss their behaviour while at school. As part of Code of Conduct and Student Protection procedures, children may only be approached by staff and their own parents/guardians.

If you have an issue with a child other than your own please see the class teacher or Mrs Simpson only – do not approach any child for this purpose.

BOOK FAIR

Our Book Fair for this year will begin on Tuesday 26th May at 3 pm in the Hall. Each class will be given the opportunity to attend the Book Fair for students to compile their own “Wish List”. Students will also be given a raffle ticket to go into a draw to win a prize – 1 prize per classroom. Parents and students will be able to visit the Fair after school on the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th May. All proceeds will be used to purchase resources for the Library. Brochures have been attached to this newsletter.

PRAC TEACHERS

This term we have had several trainee teachers at Veresdale completing their face to face modules. Nicole Mulvenney has been assisting in Prep, Michaela Cox in Yr 3/4 and Mark Robinson with P.E. We would like to thank them for all of their assistance and support during their time at Veresdale and wish them well in their ongoing studies.

RULE OF THE WEEK

Week 4- Always play in your own area.
Week 5- Enter a room in an orderly manner.

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 will be running a sausage sizzle outside Woolworths at Pub Lane, Greenbank this Saturday 9th May. If you are able to help out at all and have not yet spoken to Ms. Sandford, please just turn up on the day. We will be there from 10 am to 3 pm.

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.

CONCRETING

Today we have had concreter’s at the school lifting all the old pavers and replacing them with concrete. Due to the recent wet weather dates for commencement were not confirmed until early this week. They will hopefully finish the job tomorrow so by Monday we will have lovely new concrete areas.

ZONTA COLOURING COMPETITION

Last week representatives from ZONTA and the Beaudesert Police visited our school to speak with students in Year 3 to 6 about their colouring competition. Information brochures have been attached and entries will be collected on the 19th June.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Grevillea on winning our school Cross Country in week 1. Congratulations also to the following students who broke their age record:

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The next phase is Pacific Rim which will be held at Rivermount College, next Friday 15th May. Huntah, Charlie, Alistair, Courtney, Dakota, Lilly and Hayley have all been selected to move
onto this next phase. Well done everyone and we wish you well on the day.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE TOURS – A SWAG OF TALES

On Monday afternoon, students thoroughly enjoyed the performance of “A Swag of Tales”. The language and humour used during the performance together with props and costumes, helped to make the show very interesting and entertaining for all ages.

HATS

A number of students have lost hats recently. It has come to our attention that some students are using another child’s hat in order to participate in play during lunch breaks. Upon checking a number of children have been found not wearing their own hat. To ensure your child always has their own hat please clearly label the hat with their name and after washing check that the name is still clearly visible. With the onset of the cooler weather, please ensure that this is done on all clothing.

HEAD LICE

We ask that all parents be vigilant in continuing to check their children’s hair regularly for signs of lice or eggs.

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.

DANCE CURRICULUM

Students are studying dance this term. It is expected that all students will participate fully. If parents have a concern with this please contact the class teacher or Mrs Simpson.

TUCKSHOP

The P&C wish to advise that Tuckshop will be open on Tuesday at first break for treats only. On Friday at first break each week it will be open for meal deals and drinks etc.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR NEWS

We have recently trialled an additional fluoro green chart within our class Behaviour Management System. This trial has been well received by the students and staff. Students have also been enthusiastic about the inclusion of coloured VISA’s worth additional points.

It is wonderful to see the improvement in general class behaviour.

SET Survey (Schoolwide Evaluation Tool) – We recently underwent our annual SET Survey which involves a Departmental representative visiting our school to interview staff and students and analyse current processes. We received all positive comments and results following this visit.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you to all parents who have been able to come along and discuss their child’s progress with the teachers. If you have been unable to make an appointment but would still like to speak with a teacher please see them to negotiate a suitable time.

DATES OF INTEREST

May 11 P&C Meeting 6.45pm
May 12 – 14 NAPLAN testing Yr 3 and Yr 5
May 19 ICAS-Digital Technologies
May 26 – 29 Scholastic Book Fair
June 4 HAIRSPRAY Musical 11am
June 19 ZONTA colouring competition entries collected
August 10 HighSchool Instrumental Performance
November 25 – 27 Camp Warrawee – Yrs 4-6
HAIRSPRAY – Musical

Our Year 4 to 6 students have been invited to attend a performance of HAIRSPRAY by the Beaudesert High School students. This will take place on the 4th of June at the high school and will cost $2.50 per student. Parents will need to transport their children both to the high school and back to our school afterwards, or arrange a suitable alternative. Everyone will need to be there by 11.00 am ready for an 11.30 am start. The performance is an hour long so should be finished at around 12.30 pm.

Please fill in the form below indicating whether you would like your child to attend and if you are able to provide transport.

Child’s name: ________________________________________________

I would like my child/ren to attend the performance of Hairspray at the Beaudesert High School on the 4th June 2015. □

I will be able to provide transport for my own child/ren and _____ others.

I am unable to transport my child/ren and have organised for them to travel to and from the high school with _________________________________.

I understand that I must be back at the high school to collect my child/ren by 12.30pm. □

Signed:__________________________________________ Date:___________