



Goodwood Gazette

'Strive to Achieve'

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2013 School Improvement Focus: Writing Skills

Welcome back to our final term for 2013! ☺ I hope you had time to create new, happy family memories over the school break and that everyone has returned safe and sound.

This term is the busiest of the year. We have swimming commencing every day in Week 8, the end of year concert to prepare and rehearse for as well as carrying out our final assessments for the student school reports to be issued at the beginning of week 10. There are other special events happening during this term as can be seen below in the "Dates for Diaries". The phrase of "every day counts" (of school) is especially pertinent to this term.

Dates for Diaries/Fridge Door

October 8 Tuesday	Term 4 first day back for students. Newsletter No. 16 issued
October 15 Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.15 – everyone welcome! Please make every effort to be a part of this very important school group.
October 21 Monday	Student Free Day – No Students at school this day.
October 22 Tuesday	Newsletter No. 17 issued
October 23 Wednesday	Special Food Day
October 29 Tuesday	Central Queensland University Careers Van visiting to talk with Y5-79.30 – 10.30
October 29 Tuesday	Chess Tournament
November 4 Monday	Newsletter No. 18 issued
November 8 Friday	School Disco 6.30 – 8.30pm
November 11 Monday	Remembrance Day Ceremony at School 9.00am
November 18 Monday	Newsletter No. 19 issued
November 19 Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.15 – everyone welcome! Please make every effort to be a part of this very important school group
November 20 Wednesday	Special Food Day
November 28 Thursday	Swimming starts every morning to 11th December. Lessons 10.30 – 11.30am. Bus departing school at 9.45am
December 2 Monday	Newsletter No. 20 issued
December 3 Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.15 – everyone welcome! Please make every effort to be a part of this very important school group
December 9 Monday	School Reports issued
December 11 Wednesday	School Concert & Awards Evening 6.00pm
December 12 Thursday	School Fun Day
December 13 Friday	Last day of school for 2013
January 21 – 25 2014	Collect Student Resources if you agreed to participate in scheme
January 27 Monday	Australia Day Public Holiday
January 28 Tuesday	Students First Day of School for 2014

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Awards



Congratulations Chantelle, Adam, Jye, Matty, Dakota, Tara, Emma and Charli on receiving their meritorious awards.

Well done!! ☺

Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all the families who attended parent teacher interviews last term. It was great to have those conversations to share how we see our children developing and progressing. These conversations are a positive part of our partnership between school and home in providing the best “up-bringing” for our children. It is a lovely experience to share our different perspectives of the child, to comment on the growing maturity, increased confidence, attitudes to work and the world around them.

If you were not able to meet your child’s teacher last term but would like to have a meeting, please contact your child’s teacher to book a time.

Behaviour Acknowledgement Letters

As part of our Responsible Behaviour Plan we are sending out letters to parents to acknowledge outstanding behaviour in all four of our behaviour expectations of Respect, Effort, Safety and Self-Responsibility.

It was our intent to send out the letters on the last day of last term. However due to the busy schedule on that day, we were only able to issue letters to parents of students in the Y5/7 class. I apologise for any troubles this may have caused (e.g. a younger sibling who demonstrates consistent excellent behaviour but did not receive a letter).

Letters have been issued today. Not every child will receive one of these letters; they are to acknowledge outstanding, excellent behaviour.

Volunteers Morning Tea

Our school is very fortunate to have an outstanding amount of generous support through the efforts of volunteers. Many are parents and many are members of our community who seek to support the children and families within our communities. Our children greatly benefit from these magnificent contributions.

To acknowledge these wonderful people we invite them to a morning tea. There will be a special parade beforehand commencing at **10.30am on Thursday 17th October**.

Some invites for parents were sent home with children on the last day of term. Unfortunately, some were left at school because children were away, but we will ensure these go home today. Our apologies for the late notification in these instances.

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No Parade at 8.45 Next Thursday 17th October

Due to the volunteer morning tea on next Thursday, there will be no parade at 8.45.

We will have our usual parade this week at 8.45am on Thursday the 10th of October.

End of School Year Break-up Survey

P&C have requested that students in Year 3-7 be surveyed on what they would like for the end of year break-up. The information gained will be considered in planning for this event on Thursday 12th December.

Library

It would be appreciated if you could have a quick check at home for any unreturned library books as not all students are remembering to bring them back every week.

Parking

When collecting your child/ren please ensure that you park on the sides of the entry. The top "T" section of the car park is for the bus to pull in and turn around.

Chess

Try outs for the chess team will commence this Thursday lunch time in the library. Those not wishing to join the chess team are still welcome to come along as normal.

CBA Student Banking

Janine (our CBA school banking officer) wishes to express her thanks to all students and families who commenced their banking last week.

If anyone else is interested, Wednesdays are our banking days and you will find Janine outside Mrs Carey's class.

Uniform Shop Message

The Uniform Shop is open on Wednesdays from 8.30 to 9.30am. For purchases at other times, please contact Marianne Mackay on 0429 703 701. Now that winter is over, we will be returning the spray jackets to our supplier. If you would like to purchase a jacket for your child, please contact me on the number above before Friday 20 September. Jackets will be available next year in time for winter. Goodwood State School Polo shirts are \$25, and green hats are available for \$12 as normal.

Please ensure correct cash payment is made at the time of purchase, as change and EFTPOS is not available.

Mrs Marianne Mackay
Convenor

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P&C Messages from the President, Mrs Karen Blain

Thank you to all of our school families and volunteers for your outstanding help and support during Term 3!

Upcoming fundraisers include a Monster Raffle and a Disco. Ice blocks will also be available this term which will help raise money towards Year 7 Graduation. More information on these events will be sent home over the coming weeks.

Looking forward to a successful Term 4!

Bunnings BBQ - Thank you

Thank you to the many helpers at our recent Bunnings BBQ fundraiser.

It was a huge success with approx **\$1154.50** raised on the day for our school and our students, so well done! Also thank you to the Vella family, who kindly donated aprons.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C Meeting will be held **Tuesday 22 October at 3.15pm** in the Lower Classroom - kids welcome. If you are unable to attend our monthly meetings, but have some questions, suggestions, comments or feedback for the P&C, please let us know.

Special Food Day

Term 4 Special Food Days will be conducted on **Wednesday 23 October and Wednesday 20 November**. Students will be issued with an order form two weeks prior. Many thanks to our volunteers who make these days possible.

Bingo

Our next Bingo session will be on **Thursday 7 November**. Bingo is held on the first Thursday of each month at 1pm at the Woodgate Beach Bowls Club with cash prizes up for grabs. Raffle prizes are also on offer with tickets available to purchase on the day.

A special thank you to our local community and businesses for your continued support and also to Bernadette Williams and Sheryl Bauer for running this successful fundraising activity.

Community Notices

Hervey Bay Zone Trials

Swimming trials will be held on 6th November from 5.30pm at Childers Isis Memorial Pool. It is anticipated that it will take about 2 hours at most. There will be only three styles – freestyle, breaststroke and backstroke; 9-13 year olds. Helpers will be needed on the night – the event is not possible without them. Students are to pay a \$1 to their school if they are participating.