For parents whose children are due to start Prep in 2014 we will be holding an Information Meeting on Tuesday 5 November at 3.15pm.

For students there will be two orientation mornings, 14th and 21st November. Students are asked to arrive at school for 8.30am when we start our school day with a fruit/ veg break. Students are asked to bring a small amount of fruit or vegetable which they can eat at this time. We will then have school parade from 8.45 - 9.15. The pre-preps will then join with the current Prep class and will need to be collected by 1pm. Students will need to bring morning tea and a wide brim hat.
Congratulations Talia, Allegra, Nakita, Thomas, James, Nicki, Gideon, Teagan, Sam, Stephanie, Jimmy, Tom, Tamalin, Amity, Jodie, Steevie, Ebony, Kelsie, James, Ben, Kayden, Isabel, Josh, Meg, Angus, Jye and Sharise on receiving their meritorious awards.

Well done!! 😊

World Teachers, Day

Thank you teachers for the wonderful job you do 😊

School Captain Elections for 2014

Students currently in Year 5 & 6 are invited to run for election as school and sports captains for 2014. Speeches will be presented on parade on the 28th November at 8.45am. Students in Prep – Year 6 and staff are eligible to vote. The outcome will be announced on concert night.

Mrs Gilberd Retiring

At the end of this year Mrs Gilberd will be taking leave with the intent to retire at the end of her leave in 2014. Mrs Gilberd has been a member of Goodwood staff for almost 24 years. We will be honouring her service to our school later in the year. You may like to take the opportunity to wish her well in her future adventures as the following weeks unfold.

A temporary replacement will be recruited following the EQ protocols before the end of the year.

New Website
Thanks to the work of Mr Horner we have now migrated our school website to the new Website for Schools format. The new format enables easier management of the content and comes with an app that can be downloaded onto your device.

https://goodwoodss.eq.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx

The site is very new and only just created. We will be adding more information and pages from now on.

Swimming & Costs

For those families new to Goodwood, we provide swimming lessons at the Childers pool in the last two weeks of school. To help reduce the costs, staff provide the instruction using the Queensland Royal Lifesaving curriculum. The school receives a grant of around $500 to go toward the costs. This year, because we have more students, we need an extra bus. The cost of transport and pool entry amounts to $4,934.50. The P&C kindly assist by contributing $800 towards the cost. Families will need to contribute $25 per child for the 10 lessons ($2.50/lesson) and school will pay the difference.

Concerns were raised in relation to fairness of costings for those families of Y7 who will not be able to attend all lessons due to there being two days of high school transition during the swimming program. Consequently they will be invoiced for only 8 lessons ($20).

Y7 Graduation

Near the end of each year we organise a graduation evening for our Y7 students. They are collected from Goodwood State School

Chess Club

Congratulations Bailey, Ben, Campbell and Craig. You all played seven challenging games of chess on Tuesday at the Bundaberg chess tournament and should be very pleased with your results 😊

Remembrance Service

We will be having our school Remembrance Day service on Friday 8 November at 9am. This service has been organised for us by Woodgate RSL. Please feel welcome to join us.

National Others Week

National Others Week is about looking beyond ourselves and bringing kindness to others. There are lots of acts of kindness that happen every day at our school but during this week they will be of particular focus.

Students will each be given three cards. Students are then encouraged to do a small act of kindness for someone and leave them a card. The person leaving the card does not look for gratification. These acts of kindness may happen at home or a school. You never know someone might do the washing up for you! Over the week students should manage to pass on all three of their cards to others. But there is a catch! If you receive a card you need to do another act of kindness to pass on the card. By the end of the week we should have spread hundreds of acts of kindness throughout our community.

School Concert Auditions

As part of our end of year concert and awards night on Wednesday 11th December, we will be putting on a play. We intend for all students to be involved in this in some way. Auditions have taken place and we will be notifying successful students shortly. If you are aware that your child will not be attending the concert please let their classroom teacher know as this will greatly assist with our planning.
**Student Resource Scheme 2014**

Goodwood State School provides a service to families by purchasing all books and resources required by students in exchange for participating in the scheme. Resources are available to collect on the Student Free Days of 2014. Depending on supplies, they may be available before the end of this school year.

The scheme has been endorsed by the P&C and a cost of $60 for the first child, $55 for the second and $50 for the third and subsequent child/ren. School is meeting some of the costs in providing this convenient service to families.

Please find attached a form for you to complete.

**Headlice**

Reports of headlice have been made. Please check your child/ren and read the notice attached.

**P&C Messages from the President, Mrs Karen Blain**

**Monster Raffle**
The P&C will be running a Monster Raffle this term and we are on the lookout for some donotions of non-perishable items for a food hamper. If you have something that you could contribute please bring your contribution to the office. Much thanks... your support and help are greatly appreciated.

**Bingo**
Come along this Thursday 7 November and try your luck at our Bingo session. 10 Game Bingo Book, now only $5 (November special only). 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. All money raised goes to Goodwood State School.

**Year 7 Graduation - fundraising**
Year 7 students will be selling Zooper Dooper (ice-blocks) three days a week for 50cents, with all money raised going towards transport costs (limousines).

**Monday - After school**

**Wednesday - Lunch time**

**Friday - After school**

**Fancy Dress Disco**
The P&C will be running a disco this Friday 8 November, 6pm - 8pm on the tennis court. Come dressed up and you may win a prize for the best costume! If you do not fancy being dressed up, there will be many other prizes to be won! Students may invite siblings and friends. Parents are welcome to stay. Under 4yrs will need to be accompanied by an adult. Cost is $1 per child, parents free.

On the night the P&C will be selling lollies, poppers, chips, Freddo Frogs, Caramel Popcorn, Tea/coffee, Zooper Doozers and glow sticks. Students are welcome to bring a water bottle that they can refill.

**P&C Meeting**
Our next P&C Meeting will be held Tuesday 19 November 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**
The final Special Food Day for term 4 will be conducted on Wednesday 20 November. All students will be issued with an order form two weeks prior. Many thanks to Barb Gibson and volunteers who make these days possible.

**Cash for Cans - Aluminium Can Drive**
Don’t forget to recycle - Making items from recycled aluminium uses 95% less energy than using raw material. That helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions and combat climate change. The location of our recycling bin is in the top end of the Woodgate Road car park. Thank you!
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. Please note that these trials are only for very strong swimmers.

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER
Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2014 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from Germany, Italy, Finland, Colombia and Mexico will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceast@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

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BUNDABERG ORPHEUS SINGERS

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

in HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

on SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER 2013 at 7.30pm

Swimming Program Permission
I ……………………… give permission for my children ………………………………… to participate in the 2013 school swimming program and for my children to be transported to and from the pool by bus. I agree to pay $25 per student ($20 for Y7) to cover costs for swimming.

Signed: ……………………………. Date: …………………..