



# Goodwood Gazette

'Strive to Achieve'

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## 2014 School Improvement Focus: Writing Skills & Reading Comprehension

Dear Parents / Guardians,

### Dates for Diaries

May 6 Tuesday	Zone Cross Country
May 6 Tuesday	Mr Coleman away at School Performance Review
May 7 Wednesday	Discipline Audit of school
May 13 Tuesday	NAPLAN
May 13 Tuesday	District Sports Meeting 3.30pm
May 14 Wednesday	NAPLAN
May 14 Wednesday	Special Food Day
May 15 Thursday	NAPLAN
May 16 Friday	School Disco 6.00pm – 8.00pm
May 20 Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.30pm – please make every effort to attend these very important meetings.
May 24 Saturday	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle – Help Needed for Shifts – Please contact President Karen
May 27 Tuesday	Chess Tournament
May 27 Tuesday	Y7 Transition to Isis High
May 29 Thursday	Show Holiday
June 5 Thursday	Y6 Transition to Isis High
June 8 Sunday	Woofers Walk at Woodgate
June 9 Monday	Public Holiday
June 12 Thursday	Mr Coleman away at QASSP Meeting
June 16 Monday	Goodwood Sports Day
June 17 Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.30pm – please make every effort to attend these very important meetings.
June 18 Wednesday	School Photos
June 27 Friday	Reports issued via Australia Post.

### Awards

There were no awards presented this week as our school parade on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April was replaced with our ANZAC service and last Thursday was the District Cross Country.

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### Cleaner's Cleanest Classroom Award

Congratulations to Year 4-7 students who made a suburb improvement in keeping their classroom spotless and earned the trophy last Thursday. I know there were a number of Y4-7s trying to bring our class up to par and it has certainly paid off!

This award helps to acknowledge two of our school expectations: Respect and Self-Responsibility. Students need to show great respect for the presentation of their room and workspace and to be self-responsible in taking action without being asked to maintain a meticulous classroom.

### Cross Country

Last Thursday 13 students represented Goodwood State School as they attended the district cross country to try out for the 'Tigers' zone team. Congratulations Bella, Kelsie, Caleb, Ricky, Joey, Teagan, Tori, Tom, Bailey, Zane, Joshua, Brent and Max who represented Goodwood State School and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and fantastic effort. Well done! ☺



Congratulations to Josh, Ricky, Zane, Bailey, Joey, Caleb and Brent who have been successful in being selected for the next level. ☺

The next stage is to represent the Childers District as an Isis Tiger and participate in the Zone cross country at Hervey Bay.

Parents of the selected students should have received the letters containing information and order forms for Isis shirts, etc. last Friday.

### Thank You

Thank you to Cate and Barry who have kindly donated a gazebo to our school. This is much appreciated and well-timed as the one we were using at cross country was in desperate need of replacement.

### Year 6 & 7 Isis High Transition Program

#### Y7 - 27/05/14

Howard S.S. / Cordalba S.S. / Dallarnil S.S. / Goodwood S.S.- Total Number of Students - 28

#### Y6 - 5/06/14

Howard S.S. / Cordalba S.S. / Booyal Central S.S. (Yr. 6/7) / Dallarnil S.S. / Goodwood S.S. / St Josephs- Total Number of Students - 37

**Times:** 10:00 am till 1:15 pm - Periods Two, Three and Lunchbreak

**Students have been invited to Isis High School on the 5<sup>th</sup> June as part of their 2014 Junior Secondary Transition Program.** The aim of this excursion is for students to make use of the Science Labs and Manual Arts workshops at Isis High.

Students will be at the high school from 10am -1.15pm. We are awaiting confirmation regarding transport arrangements and will pass this information on ASAP.

#### **Other Details:**

***Lunch will be provided to students. Please let us know if your child has any special dietary requirements.***

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*Costs associated with this excursion will be met by Isis High.*

Students with Disabilities - The Science Labs and Manual Arts workshops are wheelchair accessible.

### Isis District State High School

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Calling parents of current Year Six and Seven students.

*Thinking of Enrolling Your Child at Isis District State High School?*



#### Join us for a tour of our school

Tuesday 3 June, 2014

Daylight Tour- 10:45 am

Evening Tour- 5:45 pm

Register your interest by

Friday 30 May. Call us on

41 921 222.



### Instrumental Music

There are places available for any students wishing to learn recorder or a woodwind instrument after school on Wednesday. Mrs Hawker is happy to accept students from Yr2-7 for recorder. If you wish to play a woodwind instrument you may need to be a little older as your fingers may need to grow.

### NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program of Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be conducted in every school in Australia next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Governments use the data collected (representing 0.5% of a student's time at school for that year) to determine how students, schools and states are performing and they also use it as part of their calculations in distributing funds to states and schools.

As you know there is a lot of media coverage of the tests and there are efforts to form "league tables" to rank schools as school performance is publically published on the My School website.

Each school is required to prepare their students as best as possible to help each student achieve their best on that day at that time and we have been assisting our students to be prepared and ready to meet that requirement.

However, I prefer to promote a healthy perspective in relation to the tests and to liken them to a "footy game". We have our NAPLAN team and we support and cheer our team members on and we will be pleased with their best efforts on the day, regardless of the outcome. This is in keeping with our strong focus on the "whole child"; the emotional and social as well as the physical and academic progress of our children.

As there is a lot weighing on the outcomes of the tests and there is increased scrutiny as a result, I choose to remove myself from the testing process altogether to remain above reproach. Staff supervising the NAPLAN tests are those who are not classroom teachers or are relief teachers so that they will be able to manage the testing environment objectively and officially according to the specifications.

### DISCO

As promised, we are providing another disco for our students. It is on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May 6pm to 8pm. The P&C will be selling drinks and chips as well as hot tea and coffee for adults.

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### ANZAC DAY at WOODGATE

Thank you to all students who attended and represented our school at the ANZAC service in Woodgate. Being the main school to support the Woodgate RSL sub-branch, it is important that we have 100% attendance at the service to support our RSL and our Community in helping to honour those who have served in defence of our nation.



I must again pass on my sincere compliments to each of our students who attended, for their outstanding behaviour. It truly was magnificent; to be able to stay focused, sit still and be respectful to the proceedings of the service for around 90 minutes. Well done to each of you in demonstrating our excellent behaviours to our community.

Thank you also to the Woodgate RSL for their on-going support and commitment to our school. We are very privileged to have such a close and supportive rapport. Their efforts have been pivotal in establishing links between our school and that of St Thomas Aquinas in Winton, New Zealand.

A few weeks ago Mr and Mrs Emery took a Goodwood School shirt that was signed by all our students with them on their holiday to NZ. While there they presented the shirt to the school community of St Thomas Aquinas in Winton. In return, the school presented a signed school shirt to Mr Emery to bring back to Goodwood. At the ANZAC day service Mr Emery presented the shirt to our school captains. This symbolises the first exchange between our schools and the future development of a partnership between our two countries in preparation for the ANZAC centenary.

### Discipline Audit

This Wednesday we have the Education Queensland Discipline Audit. The auditor comes into the school to make observations, hold interviews with staff, the principal, students and parents and analyses documentation and data. The auditor assesses the school against 5 domains (areas); Principal Leadership, Parent & Community Engagement, Data Informed Decision-Making, Clear Consistent Expectations for Behaviour and Explicit Teaching of Appropriate Behaviours to All Students.

Since recently becoming a School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) school, we are hoping that our progress along that path should provide us with a reasonable outcome in our audit. Mrs Byrnes and I completed our induction into SWPBS last year and we have gradually been making modifications of our behaviour system in our implementation of SWPBS.

We often provide modelling of expected behaviours at our lunchtime parades to help students understand and know how to demonstrate the expected behaviours. We have been entering data into One School in relation to behaviours and have been using that data to inform our decisions and actions.

For those of you who have been with our school a few years, you would have noticed a significant improvement since 2012. Our children are able to enjoy a very happy, safe and supportive environment. This was clearly evidenced at our recent ANZAC Day services.

**Note####:** As part of the audit process, the auditor will call some randomly selected parents to ask about your perceptions of behaviour in our school on Wednesday.

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## School Performance Review

I will be away on Tuesday to attend a School Performance Review at Bundaberg District Office with Assistant Regional Director Mr Steve Case and Small Schools Manager Mr Leon Mackay. Mrs Wilson will be working with students in my class.

## Reading Questions

Two weeks ago I discussed Inferential Comprehension and gave examples of questions relating to a specific text. Today I have included some generic sample questions that have been developed by Principal Education Officer Australian Curriculum: English, Paula Heiniger, based on the WA First Steps and the Sheena Cameron resources.

Questions requiring Inferential Knowledge

Reading between the lines, what do you think the author is trying to say?

What would you expect to happen?

What do you already know that can give you a clue as to...?

In your experience, how has...?

What is the author really saying when...?

What is your conclusion? Which words from the text tell you that?

What were the author's clues?

What is really going on in this section?

Why do you think...?

If ..., what do you think...?

These are questions that can be adapted to most texts and help students to build that inferential understanding and deeper knowledge of the text.

The automatic doors clicked open as Krista strode in. She glanced at the cluster of signs and continued down the wide polished corridor. Ahead of her a set of double doors flew open and a trolley pushed by five concerned faces raced past. The smell of antiseptic caught in her throat. Pushing through another set of doors she emerged into a brightly lit room. Rows of plastic seats groaned with injured people. Where was Tom? The call had been brief but she knew he was here somewhere...

Callout boxes:

- That also makes this part make sense as there are wide corridors in hospitals and lots of doors.
- It must be a big trolley to have five people pushing it so it's probably not a supermarket trolley.
- This is a clue - it must be in a hospital as hospitals always smell of antiseptic...
- There would be injured people in a hospital

## Community Notices

### WOODGATE BEACH BUS CONVEYANCE COMMITTEE

Notice of special meeting

Election of office bearers

**TUESDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2014, 10AM at SERENITY COVE CAFÉ, Woodgate Beach Caravan Park**

AGENDA:

- Welcome
- Any apologies

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- Re-election of committee members. All positions vacant – Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary. (Please note: These positions do not require a great deal of time. Usually only have about two meetings a year.)
- General business:
  - Confusion over recent route/timetable
  - New bus
  - Additional items for the agenda invited (please contact Kim Bauer 0400984119)

**ANY PARENTS/CARERS ARE WELCOME! PLEASE COME ALONG AND HAVE YOUR SAY!**

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Are you looking for a fun and challenging youth group for your child? Then the Australian Air League may be for you.

We are a uniformed aviation-based, youth organisation for boys and girls from 8 to 18 years. We provide leadership, team building, self-reliance and other life skills. The cadets learn to make models, fly remote controlled planes and even get a chance to fly in gliders and powered aircraft. We also do a lot of camping where we learn about bush skills and navigation. The Air League is a great place to make new friends, whilst encouraging interest in aviation as a hobby or career. We meet every Friday night, term times 6.30pm-9.00pm at the Big Blue building, 1 Kendall's Rd Bundaberg. The first 3 nights are free. For more information please call: 0400907807/41597489. Please leave a message and we will call you back or visit our web site at

[www.airleague.com.au](http://www.airleague.com.au)

<https://www.facebook.com/training.tomorrows.pilots.today>

### **Kepnock State High School Golden Jubilee Program Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

The **Dallarnil Sports Carnival** is an annual all-day event featuring horse events, a hack program, woodchopping, rough riding rodeo, children's rides, stalls, athletics and more.

The Carnival is one of our small town's yearly highlights - bringing our community together, as well as attracting many participants and spectators from around the region.

The 94<sup>th</sup> Dallarnil Sports Carnival is coming up on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014 - the Monday of the Queen's Birthday long weekend - this year however we are incorporating a Band, Bar and BBQ in place of our usual Sports Dance as has been held in previous years, where the Dallarnil Sports Princess and Dallarnil Sports Girl will be presented.

If you know of anyone wanting to register for the Sports Princess Competition, please call us to the school for an entry form.

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Enjoy a night of laughs and fun at the Fundraising screening of "The Other Woman" (Rated M) Friday May 16 at the Moncrieff Entertainment Centre.

Tickets are just \$15 including a glass of wine with cheese and crackers; plus there'll be a Ladies 'pamper pack' being raffled, with proceeds to Bundaberg Regional Council Staff's Relay for Life Team.

*Starring Cameron Diaz , Leslie Mann and Kate Upton – the oddest friends are about to get even!*

Tickets must be pre-purchased and are available now at the Moncrieff Box Office or phone 4130 4100 for credit card bookings.

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The Rotary Club of Bundaberg City Daybreak, supported by Bunnings Warehouse, Boylans Produce and the Avoca Garden Centre invites you to participate in the annual

## **"Spud Growing Competition"**

\$10 PER BUCKET

All proceeds will be donated to the Community Garden at the Tom Quinn Community Centre

You plant the potato, look after it, keep it fed and watered, and join us for the **Award Ceremony at Bundy Flavours on 14 September 2014.**

At this function, the contents of all buckets will be revealed, counted and weighed.

You can keep the potatoes you grow  
Prizes offered for:

- The biggest potato
  - The weirdest shaped potato
  - The most potatoes
  - The ugliest potato
- And the Champion's Shield goes to: the Highest Total Weight of potatoes in one bucket

Contact Carol on 0406 725 982 to arrange pick up  
Or call in to Ken's Kepnock Butchery on Elliott Heads Road

*Hint – as your potato grows, top up the soil*

### **WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST AN OVERSEAS EXCHANGE STUDENT**

Learn about another culture, learn a new language or perhaps improve your culinary skills

#### **Hosting - An Experience for Life**

Student Exchange is looking for host families across Australia to welcome overseas students into their home

Visit [www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student](http://www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student)  
or call 1300 135 331 for more information

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## Respectful Relationships

### Lifeskills

This workshop takes a proactive look at interpersonal relationships of all types and the fundamentals necessary to keep those connections healthy and respectful, including communication, honesty and trust.

**When:** Wednesday May 14, 2014  
(3hr session)

**Time:** 9.30am to 12.30pm

**Contact:** UnitingCare Community on 41538400 (Bookings essential)

**Where:** 3A River Terrace, Bundaberg

## Strong not Tough

### Adult Resiliency Program

Strong not Tough is an adult resilience program to help adults navigate through challenges and opportunities and effectively manage emotions.

**When:** Wednesday May 21, 2014  
(4 week duration)

**Time:** 9.00am to 1.00pm

**Contact:** UnitingCare Community on 4153 8400 (Bookings essential)

**Where:** 3a River Terrace, Bundaberg

## Zone Sport

There are opportunities throughout the year for students, who participate in sport at a club level, to try out for teams at a zone level. We do not always receive enough notice for these events to be listed individually in our newsletter. It would therefore be really helpful to know which sports students might be interested in. If opportunities arise we can then forward the appropriate invitations and details to you and reduce the risk of students missing out.

My child .....is interested in further sporting opportunities and participates at club level in.....

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### Y6/Y7 Transition to Isis High Permission

I..... give permission for my children ..... to travel by private transport to and from Isis High to attend the transition activities including science and manual arts on 27/5/14 for Y7 and 5/6/14 for Y6.

I am able to assist with transport to and from Isis High and can legally seat ..... students.

Name: ..... Signature: ..... Date: .....