



Goodwood Gazette

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'Strive to Achieve'

Respect	Effort
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2014 School Improvement Focus: Writing Skills & Reading Comprehension

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Dates for Diaries

PLEASE DOUBLE-CHECK DATES – SOME HAVE BEEN CHANGED

Monday 3 November	Y4-7 Computer Technology Lesson with Isis High teacher at Goodwood.
Tuesday 4 November	Swimming Trials in Childers for selection into Isis squad 5.30-7pm
Thursday 6th November	2015 Prep Orientation meeting with Parents 3.15
Friday 7 th November	Mr Coleman attending Mandatory regional Principal's Meeting in Maryborough
Monday 10 November	Remembrance Day with Woodgate RSL 9.00am at Goodwood State School. PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND
Friday 14 November	2015 Prep Orientation ½ day attendance
Monday 17 November	Year 2-7 Golf With Greg Norman Foundation after lunch
Thursday 20 November	Volunteers Day! Morning Tea & Presentations.
Friday 21 November	2015 Prep Orientation ½ day attendance.
Monday 24 November	Traditional Japanese Storytelling Theatre
Tuesday 25 November	Seussical The Musical rehearsals at Woodgate Hall 10am-2pm
Tuesday 25 November	Seussical The Musical at Woodgate 6pm
27 November to 10 December	Swimming lessons every day 9.30 to 12.15 (including transport by bus).
Monday 1 December	Year 7 Transition to Isis District State High School 8.45am-11am
Tuesday 2 December	Year 7 Transition to Isis District State High School 8.45am-11am
Wednesday 3 December	Year 6 Transition to Isis District State High School 8.45am-11am
Thursday 4 December	Year 6 Transition to Isis District State High School 8.45am-11am
Wednesday 10 December	School Concert and Awards Night 6.00pm
Thursday 11 December	School Fun Day
Friday 12 December	Last day of school for 2014. Farewell Y6&7s!

Prep Parent Information Meeting This Thursday

If you are enrolling your child in Prep next year or if you know of anyone enrolling a Prep child next year, please call us to book in for the above information session this Thursday at 3.15pm. Both Prep Teacher, Mrs Byrnes, and I will provide parents with valuable information to prepare you for the year ahead in relation to expectations, routines and practices.

Please call today to book in for this important session.

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Awards



Congratulations Julianne, Jamilee, Freya, Phoebe, Braydan, Nick, Aleesha, Reaguz, Ricky, Tom, Allegra, Levi, Reef, Lillee, Shelby, Kelsie, Max and Tasha on receiving your awards.
Well Done ☺



Congratulations to all the students who achieved the Premier's Reading Challenge. Well Done! ☺

Remembrance Day Service

We are most fortunate to have a close and strong rapport with the Woodgate RSL Sub-Branch whose members are keen supporters of our school and our students. As a part of their very kind support, members of the RSL facilitate both our ANZAC and Remembrance Day Services so that our students have an opportunity to develop a better understanding and appreciation of these commemorative occasions.

As the RSL members are committed to services in Woodgate on both ANZAC and Remembrance Days, they facilitate a special service for our students at our school the day before. Consequently, we will be having a Remembrance Day service **on Monday the 10th of November at 9.00am.**

We encourage as many of our family members to attend as possible for this important occasion. Our students will also observe the 1 minute silence at 11am on the 11th.

Seussical The Musical

**Tickets are now on sale ☺
Book now to secure your seats!**

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Our students will be featuring in this performance on Tuesday 25th November. Students are asked to be there at 6pm for a 6.30pm start. We encourage as many people to attend as possible to make the event a great success. If you have any problems following the online booking information which was sent home last week please contact school and we will assist you.

Buying tickets online is available through our school website above. Hurry, seats are selling fast! ☺

Seussical Full Rehearsal

Our students are required to be at the hall from 10am to 2pm on 25th November for rehearsals.

To provide support for our families, we will organise a bus from our school that morning (leaving at around 9.30am) and then a bus back to school in the afternoon leaving Woodgate at 2.00pm. This will allow students to be dropped off and collected by families or the bus as normal. For those families who prefer to take their children to and from the hall (perhaps those who live in Woodgate), Mrs Byrnes will be present at the hall to supervise students for a brief period before and after rehearsals.

Accounts

It would be appreciated, as we are now approaching the end of term, if all outstanding monies owed to the school could be paid as soon as possible.

Swimming payments are now due. Swimming fees are \$25 per student and \$20 for those students in Yr6 & 7 whom are attending transition at Isis High.

Parks & Wildlife Ranger Visit Wednesday

As part of our involvement as a Reef Guardian School, we have invited Turtle Sanctuary Wildlife Rangers out to talk with our students about protecting turtles through the 'stop the glow and let the turtles go' campaign.

The rangers will be addressing our students at lunchtime parade at 1.45pm.

Moderation of Student Work

This afternoon I will be meeting with representatives from numerous small schools in the Bundaberg region to participate in "moderation". This is a process where teachers present samples of work from our units that represent grades (ie: A, B, C, D, E) across all Year-levels. We then discuss if we concur or differ in the suggested gradings and come to an agreement through discussion. In this way, we promote consistency of gradings across our schools.

World Teacher's Day



We took the opportunity to thank all our wonderful teachers on Friday as we celebrated World Teacher's Day. We will catch up with those that were away today ☺

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Teachers fulfil an extremely important and critical role in our society and it is both an ancient and extremely honourable profession. I commend my colleagues for their work, dedication, compassion and integrity in striving to provide the very best for every child in our care. Thank you.

QCT Excellence in Leadership Awards

Mr Coleman attended Parliamentary Hall on World Teacher's Day for the announcement of the state winner. Mr Coleman said he is very humbled and grateful of the nomination put forward by the Goodwood P&C that was then selected from all applicants from both private and public as well as secondary, primary and special education to be put forward as one of five finalists. He was presented with the award by the Minister for Education, John Paul Langbroek, Dr John Dwyer (award custodian), CEO QTMB (Sponsors) and congratulated by Dr Jim Watterston (Director General Education Queensland) and Shadow Minister, Dr Anthony Lynham. Although, Mr Coleman was not the overall winner of the award, his leadership and contributions to state education across Queensland was highly regarded. He was very pleased to announce that Michelle Bond, Principal of Queensland Royal Children's Hospital School was the successful nominee, who has performed magnificent work for children suffering from trauma, abuse and mental illness and helped them to lead more successful and fulfilling lives and to transition into mainstream education.

Mr Coleman expressed his sincere gratitude to the P&C for the confidence they have in him and for acknowledging his work.



Chess Championships

Congratulations Goodwood Chess Team ☺

The team joined 91 students for the last inter-school competition for the year. With \$20 prize money on offer for the top 25 students, play was very competitive! All our students, Ben, Craig, Josh and Zane played extremely well placing 22nd to 44th with Ben taking home one of the \$20 prizes after winning 4.5 of his 7 games. Luck was also on our side with Josh winning \$10 in the lucky draw.

<http://chesstempo.com/> is a site I would recommend for anyone wanting to practise end game. Lots of games were lost on the day because end game strategies were not quickly recalled! Happy practising ☺

It was a great experience for our team providing them all with some challenges. They should be commended for their excellent behaviour and sportsmanship.

With two of our team moving on to High School next year we will be looking for some new members. Chess club is on Thursday lunch time and all are welcome including complete beginners. We also have two new checkers games for students who are practising turn taking and problem solving without the complexity of pieces (as well as for those who just like checkers ☺).

Reading Focus

The reading focus this fortnight is 'self-monitoring'. Self-monitoring is being aware of your own thinking when you read. A really important part of self-monitoring is knowing when you have stopped understanding what you have read.

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It may be that you are not sure of what a word, sentence or even a paragraph means. If you can recognise when this happens, you can use a strategy such as rereading to fix it.

You can help your child do this by encouraging them to stop and think about what they have just read. If they are unable to tell you about what they have just read, encourage them to stop, go back and re-read slowly and out loud to see if that helps.

Swimming Trials

For all those that are keen on competition swimming please note that the Isis Squad trials are to be held at the swimming pool in Childers on Tuesday 4 November from 5.30-7pm.
Any students attending will need to be accompanied by an adult.

ICT Progress

We have been most fortunate to be accepted into a program of computer infrastructure upgrades where the government pays for 50% of the cost. As the estimate to carry out this work was around \$20,000 that means a saving of \$10,000.

We have already received some parts that will be installed in around 2 weeks. Once this work is completed, the intent is to have full wireless facilities across our school. This will mean that our students will be able to have devices at their desks and connect to both the server (and their personal accounts) and the internet to complete set tasks.

The vision we have is to provide a multi-purpose digital device with touch screens and full Microsoft Office capability for every student. The next step would be to access software that enables every student screen to be able to be displayed on the interactive whiteboards so that the dynamics of student learning and sharing can be greatly enhanced.

This really is becoming very exciting! For me it has always just been a wish or a vision. But now, it is soon to become a reality!

P&C Messages from 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 donations of non-perishable items for a food hamper.

If you have something that you could contribute, please bring your contribution to the office or library.
Much thanks... your support and help are greatly appreciated.

Bingo

Due to recent changes, the Woodgate Beach Bowls Club now conduct their own Bingo sessions every Friday at 10am. In addition to cash prizes, there will also be a Goodwood State School raffle prize on offer each Friday, with tickets available to purchase on the day.

The Goodwood State School P&C have decided to withdraw from hosting their own Bingo and have accepted the clubs invitation to join them on the first Friday of each month, with the club kindly donating proceeds from the day to our school.

Next Goodwood School session: Friday 7 November. Eyes down at 10am.

Tell your family and friends to come along for a fun morning and support Goodwood School!

Fundraising results

Fundraising is one of the most important things the P&C does to support the school. The P&C fundraise throughout the year to be able to provide the school with money for resources that they require.

Many thanks to all our volunteers, school families and community for your continued support and participation!

Bingo raffles: \$120.00

Cash for Cans : \$50.00

Special Food Day: \$130.00

Disco: \$230.00

Woodgate Beach RSL Sub Branch donation: \$130.00

P&C Meeting

If you have any views on what you'd like to see the P&C accomplish, or ideas for fundraising events please feel free to come along to our monthly meetings or contact us. Next meeting is Tuesday 18 November at 3.30 in the Library.

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Uniform Shop - \$6.00 Winter Uniforms

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To purchase the school Winter uniforms for the fantastic price of \$6.00, please see Janine Leverett - Uniform Shop co-ordinator, either in the Uniform Shop located at the school tuckshop or outside the lower classroom or contact her on 41268357.

Hours of operation are Monday - Friday mornings from 8.00am - 9.00am.

Community Notices

Children's Chess Tournament

The last Sunday Children's Chess Tournament for 2014 will be held on Sunday 30 November at the U3A rooms. Registration by 9 am. First game at 9.10 am. Playing fee \$10 per player. (\$18 for a family of two or more!!). If attending a Sunday tournament for the first time, no playing fee is payable. Free cash draw of \$25. Nine or ten round swiss depending on nominations. Lucky draws for fast food vouchers. Cash Prizes. Further information from Allan on 0417073094



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- * Huge raffle with great prizes

FREE JUMPING CASTLE

www.mummasnest.com

'Flicks on the Bricks' is a FREE night out for families being held Sunday November 9th.

This project will see the showing of the very popular movie 'Frozen' in the carpark next to the Young Aussie hotel in Perry Street, North Bundaberg. (alcohol free event)

We are keeping it simple with BYO chairs and the North Bundy Lions Club providing a sausage sizzle at very reasonable prices. The night will kick off with some live local music at 5.30pm