



# Goodwood Gazette

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## 'Strive to Achieve'

Respect	Effort
Safety	Self-Responsibility
Behaviour Expectations	

## 2015 School Improvement Focus: Numeracy Skills & Reading Comprehension

### Cyclone Marcia

Thank you everyone for your understanding and support on Friday. I had been up since 3am Friday morning to check the condition of roads to the school as I was required to provide an update to my supervisor by 6am. The roads were excellent. However, with the information from BOM at that early morning it appeared that we may have had heavy rainfall and strong winds. This prompted my concerns that staff and students may become isolated at school during the day. There was also the concern that families may jeopardise their safety and that of their children in trying to evacuate them from school should conditions change. In addition, most of our staff travel from Bundaberg and as you know, forests edge the road for quite a large portion and there was a risk that trees and branches may fall as they pass. In light of all these potential risks, I felt absolutely certain that the safest and best decision was to recommend closure to ensure the safety of all.

As it has turned out, we have been extremely fortunate indeed and Marcia has missed us entirely. Yet many towns north, west and south of us, including Brisbane have had a wide range of challenges and damage. In my role as Small School Chair and QASSP State Secretary, I have offered support to our colleagues in the most damaged locations.

Thank you again for your understanding and your support in ensuring the safety and well-being of everyone.

### Dates for Diaries

23 February Monday	Community Bus Meeting Tonight at 6.30pm at The Bowls Club, Woodgate
25 February Wednesday	Mr Coleman at Queensland Association of State School Principals Management Committee Meeting (Mrs Wilson with Y4-6)
26/27 February Thurs & Fri	Education Queensland State Conference for Principals (held every 2 years) Mr Coleman attending (Mrs Wilson with Y4-6)
2 March Monday	Mr Coleman attending "Growth Coaching" program as part of Success School program and to supplement Pedagogical role.
6 March Friday	Life Education Van Visiting our school – each class has their own session.
16 March Monday	SWPBS (school wide positive behaviour support) whole school evaluation by external reviewer.
16 – 20 March	<b>BOOK FAIR</b>
23 March Monday	School Photos – Order forms coming out soon.
25 March	Prep photos in News Mail
Mon 30 Mar – Thur 2 Apr	Parent Teacher Interviews after school – please book your times with teachers
1 April Wednesday	Goodwood Cross Country 9am to about 11am (no P&C sausage sizzle as this is only a 2 hour event at most). Please ensure your child has their morning tea and lunch as normal.
2 April Thursday	End of Term 1
20 April Monday	First day of Term 2 for students
22 April Wednesday	Area Cross Country at Childers
25 April Saturday	ANZAC Centenary – Please plan ahead to attend this extremely important occasion – all of our school is needed at the Woodgate Service to make the 100 year commemoration a very special one.
26 May	Chess Tournament Walkervale

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## Awards



Congratulations, Tori, Caleb, James, Charli, Lily, Isaiah, Summer, Ethan, Kaleena and Kelsie on receiving their meritorious awards.

Well Done!!

## School Sores (Impetigo)

We currently have an outbreak of school sores at Goodwood. The following information is supplied by the Health Department:

“Exclude until child has received appropriate antibiotics for at least 24 hours. Sores are not contagious if covered, or after the child has taken antibiotics for 24 hours. Weeping or crusted sores on exposed areas should always be covered with a watertight dressing until at least 24 hours post antibiotics commenced and for as long as practical.”

For those who are unfamiliar with school sores we have attached an information sheet published by the Royal Children’s Hospital in Melbourne.

## Chess

On Tuesday our chess team Alex, Bailey, Ben and Craig competed in the interschool chess tournament. They played some challenging games against primary and high school students. They persevered through eight games of chess and finally at the end of the day were placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the primary section.



Well done and congratulations to our chess team.

All students are welcome to come along to chess club in the library on Thursday lunch times.

## Pedagogical Tuesdays

These days are going very well and are enabling me to focus on many aspects of school improvement that would not normally be able to be carried out. On these days I have held meetings with Special Education Teacher Ian McGregor, Guidance Officer Intensive Behaviour Support Greg Souvan in relation to student needs and have carried out classroom observations of all teachers and provided constructive feedback to strengthen practices and increase confidence. I am also able to carry out some of the work for the Success Schools Reading program during this time.

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## Life Education Van

The Life Education Van will be at Goodwood on Friday 6 March. The cost per child is \$5. We have had to cancel our parent / visitor program due to time constraints. (The van can only come on Friday and not Thursday and Friday as previously planned).

Please read the attached parent letter. We have also attached a Harold Product order form for those who may wish to purchase products. In order to help the Life Education Van we will be holding a Free Dress Day on Friday 6 March. Children who come in free dress are asked to bring a gold coin donation. (Please remember that children are to wear sun smart clothes and closed in shoes etc.) We will also have a visit from BIG Harold !

## Book Fair

### Book Fair

(16 March – 20 March)

Our school will be hosting a scholastic book fair.

There will be fun events all week including competitions and a dress up day.

- Monday and Tuesday – Students are invited with their teachers to visit the library and create their own wish list. They will bring their wish list home and if you would like to purchase please complete the back and return it to school or come to the book fair later in the week.
- Wednesday 3pm -4pm and Thursday 3pm-4pm – **Book Fair opens to parents and carers.** While you are here on Wednesday please vote for your favourite bookmarks!
- **Thursday – Dress up** as your favourite book character (there are prizes to be won!) There will be no cost to participate  
Bookmark and dress up competition winners announced at parade.  
Book fair is open to students at lunchtime for purchases.
- Friday - Book Fair is open at lunchtime and from **2.30-3.30pm for final purchases**, donations, using your 'caught reading rewards' and choosing prizes.

Join us to promote a love of reading.

We receive commission on purchases to supplement our school library.

There are also pocket money items including rubbers, pencils and posters for sale from \$1-\$5

**Come to the Book Fair and Enter the Kingdom of Books!**

## P&C Messages from President Mrs Karen Blain

### P&C Meeting

Thank you to all who gave up their valuable time last Tuesday to attend our first meeting for the year. With your support, ideas and suggestions, we now have an exciting calendar of events planned for 2015, with a few more still to be confirmed. Welcome to new members Danni, Lisa & Kylie. Also a big thank you to Kylie for accepting the role as Secretary. Next P&C meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 17 March at 3.30pm. AGM still TBA. P&C membership is open to all families. [pandc@goodwoodss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@goodwoodss.eq.edu.au)

### Upcoming events

This term the Goodwood State School P&C will be holding a Disco (27 March), Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser (18 April) and after the great success last year, another Cake Stall at The Woodgate Beach Easter Fair (6 April). More information on these events will be available soon.

### Special Food Day

Many thanks to those families who placed orders and also a special thank you to our generous volunteers: Barb, Lisa and Jody for your time and baking talents. You'll be pleased to hear we raised \$100, so well done! Next Special Food Day will be held, Wednesday 18 March.

### Club Raffles - Call for Volunteers

The P&C are still needing volunteers to assist with selling raffle tickets on a Friday morning once or twice a month at the Woodgate Beach Bowls Club. If you are able to lend a hand, please contact Karen Blain on 0438794646. Thank you to those families who have already volunteered their time to support our school!

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### Goodwood State School P&C 2015 - Club Raffle Roster

Friday 27/02/2015 - Kylie    Friday 10/04/2015 - Kylie

Friday 06/03/2015 -            Friday 17/04/2015 -

Friday 13/03/2015 - Kylie    Friday 24/04/2015 - Kylie

Friday 20/03/2015 - Lynda

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### School Banking

The P&C has set up a school banking program through the Commonwealth Bank. School banking is part of P&C fundraising and provides an opportunity to encourage children to develop good saving habits. Children are able to make a deposit through school banking every Wednesday during the school term. For more information or application forms for school banking, please see Janine Leverett - CBA school banking officer.

## Community Messages

*Across the Waves AFL Football Club - Sign-on 27 February 2015. If you require more information please contact Across the Waves Sports club.*

### **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:** Monday March 2, 2015

(5 week duration)

**Time:** 9.00am to 1.00pm

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

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

**Cost:** Gold Coin

Funded by the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services

### **Sensory Movie Day**

Inclusive event for families with special needs. Children are free to move around, lighting on dim and fire exit doors are monitored by volunteers.

"Penguins of Madagascar"

11.00am Sunday 15 March

Tickets \$8.00 each

Companion I.D Card Accepted

Children under 3 are free

\$5.50 small popcorn & small drink combo

For more information or to be added to the mailing list email us on [sensorymovieday.bundaberg@hotmail.com](mailto:sensorymovieday.bundaberg@hotmail.com) or message us via Facebook

### **Circle of Security (morning)**

Parenting 0-5yrs

The Circle of Security program enables parents/caregiver to further explore their children's need for comfort, safety and secure attachment.

**When:** Tuesday March 3, 2015

(4 week duration)

**Time:** 10am to 11.30am

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

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

**Cost:** Gold Coin

Funded by Australian Government Department of Social Services



### **Pilotlight Productions Inc. proudly presents an Original musical:**

**"Working Lights"**, written and composed by Pilotlight President and Musical Director, Tony Carey, at Childers Isis Cultural Centre, Churchill St., Childers on Friday 24 & Saturday 25 July 2015 @ 7pm, then again at the Bundaberg Civic Centre 190 Bourbong St., B'Berg on Saturday 15 August 2015 at 7pm.

Working Lights is a new old-fashioned musical, an exciting production with memorable melodies. **Auditions for Dancers will be held on Saturday 7 March 2015, between 10am & 5pm at West Street Hall, 13 West Street Childers:** You are welcome to audition for the dance chorus, regardless of skill level. A willingness to learn is more essential than technical prowess, as training will be provided to assist successful auditionees in mastering the show's choreography. **To book an audition time, or to join in dance classes prior to Audition Day, phone 0417 930 579.**