



Goodwood Gazette

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'Strive to Achieve'

Respect	Effort
Safety	Self-Responsibility
Behaviour Expectations	

2016 School Improvement Focus: Numeracy Skills & Reading Comprehension

Dates for Diaries

March 7 Monday	Book Fair week begins – Last day to hand in bookmarks for competition
March 9 Wednesday	Book Fair open at lunchtime and 3pm-4pm
March 10 Thursday	Dress-up day for book fair. No cost. Book Fair open at 8am-8.45am, lunchtime and 3pm-4pm
March 11 Friday	Book Fair open at lunchtime and 2.30pm-3.30pm
March 15 Tuesday	P&C & AGM Meeting 3.30 in Library. Everyone welcome. Please try to attend
March 21 Monday	Parent Teacher Interviews this week. Please book times with your child's teacher.
March 23 Wednesday	Goodwood Cross Country – Green V Gold 9.00-10.30ish
March 25 Friday	Good Friday – Public Holiday – Start of Easter Holidays
April 11 Monday	First day of Term 2 for Students

Awards



Congratulations Charli, Lilly, Tasha, Sara, Natasha, Lily, Tempest, Ciara, Zane, Angus, Max, Caleb, Asher, Riki, Summer and Sapphira on receiving their meritorious awards.

Well Done! ☺

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Prep Restaurant



The Prep students held their annual Prep Restaurant last Friday. All the staff were invited to attend with the chef doing a great job of cooking Fish Fingers and Quiche. The waitresses took our orders and had done a wonderful job of preparing the tables with their handmade placemats and handmade flowers. A good time was had by all.

Reminders

- Payment for the **Student Resource Scheme** is now due. As the school has already purchased and paid for these items we would appreciate prompt payment. If you are experiencing financial difficulty please contact the school to arrange a payment plan.
- Issue 2 of Book Club is being sent home today. Orders are to be completed by Friday 11 March. You can order via LOOP (please see order form for instructions) or send a cheque or money order to the school, with your order, made out to Scholastic Book Club). **CASH CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Brisbane Lions Visit



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There was great excitement at Goodwood on Tuesday when two of the Brisbane Lions came to the school for a meet and greet with the students. They did some ball activities with the students followed by a question and answer session followed by signing of autographs.

Mrs Merrett brought her flag and scarf as well as a jersey which she got signed. The players were also impressed that she has Brisbane Lions number plates on her car. We also had some people from Woodgate attend who had seen the information on our large sign outside the school. They also got signatures on their flag. They were debating with Mrs Merrett on who was the biggest fan. ☺

It was much appreciated that the Brisbane Lions were prepared to come out to Goodwood as part of their trip to Bundaberg.

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Book Fair



Come along to our Monster Book Fair next week. This is a great way to support your school library and have some fun. 😊

Students will be visiting the library with their teachers on Monday 7th or Tuesday 8th and filling in a 'Wish List' to take home. The Book Fair will then be open for purchases on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. You are welcome to visit with your child after school and have a good look at what is on offer. There will be lots of competitions and prizes. If you visit on Wednesday adults can vote for their favourite bookmark. Students can dress up as your favourite book character (no charge) on Thursday and plan on having lots of fun.

Last year our total sales meant that we were eligible for 30% commission which was more than \$300 worth of books for the library. Please help support our Book Fair.

Chess Club

Unfortunately we don't have enough experienced players wanting to attend the chess tournament this week. However, we have a few new players who are looking forward to attending next term. Keep up the practice!

All students from prep to Y6 are invited to attend Chess Club in Mrs Carlon's classroom. You don't have to know how to play. 😊

School Leaver Shirts – Y6

Parents of Y6 students are invited to send in a school shirt and we will organise screen printing free of charge. The shirt will have on the back that they are the Year 6 of 2016 and list the names alphabetically. Families can also choose to buy a new school shirt to be printed.

Shirts must be given to Mrs Hawker **before the 10th March** if you wish to be included. Shirts should be ready to be returned to you on Monday 21st March.

Internet Use Agreement

When every student is enrolled, they are given an internet agreement that is most often completed by parents. We believe it is important to refresh this agreement each year to help remind students and families of the responsibilities and obligations in relation to using Education Queensland internet and digital services.

We still have several outstanding forms. It would be appreciated if these could be returned promptly.

P&C Messages

Special Food Day

Reminder - Special Food Day is this **Wednesday, 2 March**. Please ensure all payments are returned by tomorrow, Tuesday 1 March. Many thanks to our parent volunteers, Barb, Jana, Jody, Ryan, Danni and Janine who make these days possible! Enjoy!

Great news.....Bingo is back!

The P&C are pleased to announce that we have accepted an invitation to host Bingo once again at the Woodgate Beach Bowls Club on the first Friday of each month. In addition to cash prizes, there will also be some great raffle prizes on offer. So please come along this **Friday, 4 March at 10am** for a fun morning and support Goodwood State School!

N.B: For those of you who are interested in lending a helping hand once or twice a term, we will be holding a Bingo volunteer training session tomorrow, Tuesday 1 March at 3.15pm in the library.

P&C Meeting

A big thumbs up to all who gave up their valuable time to attend our first meeting for the year. We would not function without your support, so thank you very much!

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The next P&C meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 15 March** straight after our AGM. I encourage those who would like to be involved and have not attended a meeting previously, to join us.

2016 P&C AGM

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at **3.30pm, Tuesday 15 March** in the school library. At the AGM all P&C positions are declared vacant and then we nominate/vote on a new leadership team. After five rewarding years as P&C President, I have decided to step down from this role this year. So we will be looking for a volunteer to fill this position, as well as others to fill the positions of Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Additionally our school community needs parent volunteers not only to operate the tuckshop, uniform shop and organise fundraising and other social events, but also to contribute to making Goodwood State School a great place for our children to learn, play and grow. Contact myself or one of our friendly P&C members to get involved, or please do consider coming along to our AGM and perhaps taking on a position. It would be great to see some new faces join our wonderful team!

Cake stall

Please see the attached information sheet regarding the P&C Cake Stall to be held, **Monday 28 March** at the upcoming Woodgate Beach Easter Fair. Due to it being a major fundraiser for the year, our committee has already begun organising this event, however it is an enormous job for such few volunteers and we seek the continued support of our school community to contribute in some way. Thank you!

Year 6 Graduation – Fundraising To assist with transport costs (limousines) on graduation night, Year 6 students and parent volunteers will be selling a variety of Home Ice Cream ice-blocks for \$1.00 each. Selling days will be announced on parade.

N.B: To coincide with Special Food Day, Home Ice Cream ice-blocks will also be available to purchase this Wednesday at lunch time.

Family Contributions - Help make a difference for everyone

Parents are invited to make a voluntary contribution to the P&C. This provides a base level of funding for the P&C operations each year, and contributes to the P&C donations to the school. This voluntary contribution is particularly useful for those parents who find themselves in a situation where they are unable to give their time for P&C activities, but still want to be making a contribution. For more details, please see attached contribution letter.

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Community Messages

There will be a sign on day at the Bundaberg Golf Club for junior players on Saturday 5 March from 9.00am – 10.45am. Please bring a hat, sneakers and water bottle. There will be a free sausage sizzle. There will be no cost and clubs will be supplied.



STEPS CARE FOR CARERS PROGRAM

Next Childers Support Group - Wednesday 2nd March 2016 - 9.30am to 11.30am
Forest View Community Centre, Morgan Street, Childers
Morning tea provided
New Carers always welcome.

www.facebook.com/groups/careforcarers or www.careforcarers.com.au

1. Administering medication at school

If your child requires staff to administer medication to your child at school, please contact the school office in the first instance to discuss your child's requirements.

Please note, school staff will only administer medication that:

- has been prescribed by a qualified health practitioner (e.g. doctor, dentist)
- is in its original container
- has an attached pharmacy label.

Office staff will ask you to complete and sign Section 1 of the *Administration of medication at school record sheet*.

N.B. If your child requires more than one medication, you will need to complete a form for each medication.

2. Requirements for students at risk of anaphylaxis

If your child is at risk of anaphylaxis, it is important for you to provide the school with your child's emergency medication and their ASCIA Anaphylaxis Action Plan, completed by your doctor. This Anaphylaxis Action Plan provides the instructions for the school to administer your child's medication in an emergency, which is specific to respond to their health condition.

If you have any concerns about your child's health condition, please contact the Principal.

3. Requirements for students at risk of asthma

If your child has asthma and requires assistance to administer their medication, it is important for you to provide the school with your child's emergency medication and their Asthma Action Plan, completed by your doctor. An Asthma Action Plan provides specific instructions for the school to administer your child's medication.

We recognise that some students are capable of managing their asthma without adult assistance. If you are confident that your child can confidently, competently and safely self-administer their asthma medication, let the school administration know. The school will record your decision and will not require your child's Asthma Action Plan. Please note that if your child requires assistance in an asthma emergency, staff will provide Asthma First Aid.

If you have any concerns about your child's asthma, please contact the Principal.

4. Providing medication to the school

Before you provide the school with your child's medication, check the expiry date to ensure it is in-date and there is enough for the agreed time period. It is also a good idea to take a note of the expiry date so that you can replace the medication before it expires.

Please note, school staff will not administer medication that you can buy over-the-counter at chemists and supermarkets (e.g. paracetamol, eye drops, cough syrup) unless it has been prescribed by your child's qualified health practitioner. For example, the school would administer paracetamol to a student only if it has been prescribed by their dentist to be taken for a short time after dental treatment.

School staff are bound by these regulations and we hope that all parents will acknowledge and cooperate with these rules.

It is safer for all students if you can provide medication to the school in person (rather than send medication with the student). If you can't provide the medication in person, contact the school to determine the easiest and safest approach for the school to receive the medication.

If you believe your child is capable of self-administering their own medication at school, please contact me to discuss, as this requires my approval.

When your child's medication is no longer required to be kept at school, please collect all unused medication.

Thank you for your assisting the school in keeping our students safe and healthy.

