



Goodwood Gazette

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'Strive to Achieve'

Respect	Effort
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Behaviour Expectations	

2016 School Improvement Focus: Numeracy Skills & Reading Comprehension

Welcome to New Families

Welcome to two new families Sonya, Boyd and Sierra and Leah, Mitchell and Aria, Lilly and Presley. We hope your time spent at Goodwood S/S is both enjoyable and rewarding.

Dates for Diaries

May 10 Tuesday	NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5 – Language Conventions (grammar and punctuation) and Writing
May 11 Wednesday	NAPLAN – Reading (Comprehension)
May 12 Thursday	NAPLAN – Numeracy (Maths)
May 13 Friday	NAPLAN – Catch-up day if someone was away previously.
May 13 Friday	School Disco 6.00-8.00pm
May 18 Wednesday	Special Food Day
May 23 Monday	School Photos
May 24 Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.30 in Library. Everyone welcome. Please try to attend.
May 26 Thursday	Show Day Holiday – No School on This Day
June 13 Monday	ICAS Writing Assessment for selected students
June 15 Wednesday	ICAS Spelling Assessment for selected students
June 20 Monday	Goodwood Sports Day – Green V Gold – all day.
June 21 Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.30 in Library. Everyone welcome. Please try to attend
June 24 Friday	Last day of school for Term 2. Student Reports posted next week. Winter Holidays.

Disco This Friday

To celebrate the passing of NAPLAN for another year, our P&C has organised a Disco this Friday. It is a wonderful event for children. They enjoy a range of games, listen to music, dance, win prizes, chat and play with friends and overall, have a brilliant time!

This disco's theme, being Friday the 13th is "SPOOKY". ☺

School Photographs – New Date: Monday 23rd May

Silver Rose have confirmed that they will be visiting our school on the morning of Monday 23rd May. They have posted the order forms to us and we will issue them to families as soon as they arrive.

Mother's Day

I hope all our wonderful mums had a great day and were appropriately made a fuss of by your children. ☺

Thank you very much to our P&C members who organise the Mothers' Day Stall as a service for our children and families. It is not a fundraising event. Prices were kept as low as possible to make it affordable for children to secretly buy something for Mum.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Congratulations to Nicolas, Max, Talia, Tiffany, Craig, Dakota, Isiah, Jackson, Ella, Summer, Tamalin, Thomas, Ebby, Chelsea, Summer, Sara, Vinnie, Kaleena, Reef.

Each student was awarded to acknowledge the talents and attributes they have displayed and truly deserve their award. Well done to all and Congratulations!!



NAPLAN This Week

This week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, our Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in the National Assessment Program of Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). The tests are conducted in examination conditions and the words spoken by the test administrator are clearly written in the administration book. Desks are separated, there is no talking and no assistance given. The tests usually go for around 40 minutes for each session. Obviously this is quite different to the normal classroom environment. We have spent some time helping them to be more familiar and acquainted with what they will encounter to boost their confidence.

Test materials are not opened until the day of the test and auditors can, at any time arrive at a school to ensure that the integrity of the testing has not been compromised. To ensure that I remain above reproach, I have absolutely nothing to do with the administration of the tests or the sending off of the completed tests. In this way, our school will always be confident of our integrity.

We take every effort to help reduce any anxiety that students may have, we think of it as a football game and our Year 3/5s are our team and we cheer them on and help them to feel relaxed and positive.

It is important to remember that a NAPLAN test represents only 0.5% of a student's time at school in that year and it represents a very narrow perspective of your child's learning.

Isis High Visit to Talk with Y6 Students

On Friday 20th Mr Garry Munks will be bringing a couple of Year 7 students to come and chat with our Year 6 students to help prepare them for the transition to high school. Our Yr 6s will have the opportunity later in the year to attend Isis High and shadow the current Y7s so they can get a clear understanding of what life is like and help them feel more comfortable about the transition.

Congratulations Ms Orreal!!!

Our very own PE teacher Ms Kellie Orreal has been selected to represent Australia in the international Cross-Fit championships held in the United States. Ms Orreal has been ranked the 4th fittest woman in Australia and has been a very dedicated and enthusiastic participant in the sport.

It just goes to show how fortunate we are to have such a renowned sports person working with our students.

Ms Orreal now needs to fund her trip to the USA and is welcoming all donations which can be made through this site:

<https://www.gofundme.com/kellieorreal>

The site also shows Ms Orreal demonstrating some of her amazing strength and fitness.

Congratulations Ms Orreal!!! Go AUSTRALIA!!!!!!!☺

CAR PARK USE

A number of people have expressed concerns about people parking on the bus zone in the school car park. Even though there are no buses for hours, the bus zone needs to be kept clear at all times.

When people park in the bus zone, it creates difficulties for other vehicles in getting out of the car park and following the one-way loop.

Please use the ample car park spaces provided for private vehicles.

Regional Cross Country

Congratulations to Joey Vella and Caleb Ricciardi who have been successful in progressing through to the next level of Cross Country competition at the Wide Bay regional level. And again, congratulations on all of our cross country participants, who tried their very hardest to achieve their best.

Y4-6 Homework This Week

The Year 4-6 class will have no homework this week as I have no teacher aide to assist in the preparation and each student has their own set of words to be given, matching their individual ability. This, added to the complications brought about by NAPLAN. It is simplest if we just skip the homework routine this week. Apologies for any disappointments! ☺☺

P&C Messages from Vice President Kylie Robertshaw

2016 National Excellence Teaching Awards

Parents and Students are able to nominate their inspirational teacher from April 18 2016. This can be done online at asg.com.au/nominate. Flyers that contain more information will be up in the undercover area. Nominations close 31st July 2016. It would be a great time for kids and parents to nominate!

Mother's Day Stall

I would like to say a big thank you to Barb for coordinating this year's Mothers' Day Stall. The P&C Association hope all the Mothers and Grandmothers enjoyed their Mothers' Day gifts.

Disco

Post NAPLAN School Disco is on Friday 13th May 2016 in the enclosed tennis courts from 6-8pm. This disco we are having new hit food! Meat pies, available in plain, beef and cheese will be on sale for \$3 each. Jumbo Sausage rolls \$3 each, Puffy dogs (mini hot dogs) \$1 each, pizza slices \$1.50 each. Assorted lollies, snacks and drinks will also be available for purchase on the night. Entry is \$1 per child. Parents are welcome to stay and students may invite siblings and friends. Children under 4yrs are also welcome but will need to be accompanied by an adult.

Special Food Day

Special Food Day is on Wednesday 18th May. Please make sure you return your completed order form along with money no later than Friday 13th May.

Save the Date:

School Disco- 13th May

Special Food Day- 18th May

P&C Meeting- 24th May in the Library

Ice Creams- EVERY Friday after school

School Banking- EVERY Wednesday

Community Messages

Table Tennis – Schools Championships

Entries close today for the Schools Table Tennis Championships. If you would like more information please phone 3207 5579. The Bundaberg competition will be held on 21st May.

Bundaberg South State School 125 year Celebrations

2016 marks a special historic milestone for Bundaberg South State School who will celebrate 125 years of education excellence, community and tradition. We would like to invite all past and present students and staff to celebrate this event with a Celebration Day to be held on Saturday 21 May 2016.

It will be a day to reminisce, renew old friendships and share your memories of your days at Bundaberg South State School.

For details, see our Facebook Page or contact the School Administration Office on (07) 41 308 333 or email 125th@bundsoutss.eq.edu.au

We look forward to sharing this special occasion with students and staff, both past and present and the entire Bundaberg community.

Parents, does your child have a chronic health condition such as Type 1 diabetes, asthma or eczema? Or does your child have no health concerns?

The University of Queensland is looking for parent volunteers to complete an online survey aiming to investigate how work-family conflict affects both parent and child Quality of Life (QoL) and wellbeing.

If you are a parent working at least 2 days per week and are caring for a child aged between 5-12 years of age; with a chronic health condition (type 1 diabetes, asthma or eczema) or even if your child has no health concerns; your participation would be greatly welcomed. The online survey, can be accessed and completed anytime at <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/qol/>

Take part and you could win 1 of 2 iPad Mini's or a \$50 Coles/Myer Gift Card.

If you have any further questions or concerns, or are not able to access the survey, please contact Antonia Kish (Principal Investigator) at antonia.kish@uqconnect.edu.au

Rollercoasters Group work for children of changing families

Rollercoasters is a program to assist children with the task of adjusting to family change. Each session in Rollercoasters helps children explore the dilemmas faced when parents separate and the underlying emotions that result from family change including fear, sadness and loss, anxiety, loneliness, anger, rejection and conflicting loyalties.

The Rollercoasters program is designed for children who have experienced a rollercoaster of changes in their family due to separation, divorce or re-marriage.

This group is suitable for primary school students 8 years and older.

- When:** Tuesday's July 26 – August 30, 2016
(6 week duration)
- Where:** UnitingCare Community - 3a River Terrace, Bundaberg
- Phone:** (07) 4153 8400 (**Bookings essential**)
- Time:** 3.30pm to 5.00pm
- Cost:** Gold coin