



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

Aug 9 - Tuesday	Interschool Chess Tournament
Aug 10 - Wednesday	Special Food Day
Aug 12 - Friday	3rd and final Camp Payment due - \$176
Aug 16 - Tuesday	ICAS Maths test
Aug 23/24 - Tues & Wed	Steve away at QASSP Meeting In Brisbane
Aug 26 Friday	Road Safety week
Sept 6 to 9 - Tues to Friday	Yr 4 - 6 Camp at Fraser Island
Sept 12 to 16 - Mon to Friday	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Sept 19 - Monday	Spring Holidays commence
Oct 3 - Monday	Public Holiday
Oct 4 - Tuesday	School resumes for Term 4

WEEKLY AWARDS



Congratulations to Michael, Tempest, Tamalin, Lilly, Steevie, Tyler, Summer, Tiffany, Nic, Lilly, Jack, Zane, Braydan, Chace, Thomas, Tasha, Bella, Arianna and James.

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





Congratulations to Ebony and Charlotte our most recent Times Tables Masters. To be a Times Table Master you need to recite each set of tables in under 20 seconds with 100% accuracy and complete all sets of tables. Well Done! 😊

North Burnett Zone Athletics



Congratulations Asher, Joey, Caleb, Lily, Ebony and Summer who all received first, second or third placings at District Sport.



Congratulations Caleb and Joey who were selected to represent the Childers area at District Sport. Joey competed in the 800m and placed second. Caleb competed in the 100m and placed third. Both Joey and Caleb have now been selected to represent North Burnett at Zone Athletics. Well done Joey and Caleb on this amazing achievement.

QASSP Success

As most already know, I am State Secretary of the Queensland Association of State School Principals (QASSP), representing around 1,300 school leaders across the state and I am Chair of the QASSP Small Schools Committee. Because I am sometimes away from school to attend Management Committee meetings, I wish to share with you some very recent achievements of our professional association that illustrates the value of my commitment to the advocacy work.

Administration officers (Mrs Merrett's role) have needed to take on substantially more complex roles as sole administration officers over the last 10 years and particularly in the last five years. However there has been no recognition of the increasing complexity of their work for more than 20 years. For the last 5 years QASSP has been advocating to acknowledge their role. Recently the Minister announced that admin officers in small schools will be promoted in 2017.

In the past the funding model for calculating grounds allowance has been based on enrolments. Yet many small schools have substantial grounds. This has meant that we often need to use funds from the general school grant to maintain our grounds. We have now been successful in having the model adjusted. Currently we receive around \$3,700 for grounds care, in 2018 we will receive \$24,500!!!

Teaching Principals receive an official allocation of around 2hrs per week to complete all the administration, facilities, HR, curriculum, pedagogy and community liaison tasks. In the last ten years there have been new positions created in large schools that support student learning and aid school improvement, yet Teaching Principals did not receive any change to the staffing allocation model for around 20 years and most of us work 70 – 80 hours each week (but are paid for 25 hrs per week). As a result of our advocacy, the Minister has announced an increase of around an additional 2 hrs per week as well as some provision of non-contact curriculum time. While there is still need for improvement, it is the first time that the complexity of our roles has been recognised.

Since the introduction of the National Curriculum and the Curriculum into The Classroom units (C2Cs) primary schools in Queensland have been struggling with the breadth of the teaching load and have been finding it difficult to balance the need to cover content as well as meet the learning needs of our students. Through our advocacy, the Minister has announced that Queensland schools will not be required to complete all of the national curriculum and will be developing a distilled version of the curriculum so that we can better meet the needs of our students and engage in deeper learning.

Consequently, I ask that my community understands and appreciates that my time out of school engaged in QASSP meetings has a positive benefit not only for our school, but all Primary schools in Queensland. I also count my work in my professional association as part of my "Professional Development".

Bus Run Aims

Last year members of our P&C and I made efforts to alter the manner in which the school busses operate so that the families on the Western side of the school can access public transport to which they are entitled.

Early last Monday morning I met with the new Transport area manager at school, who happens to be residing in Woodgate at present. He is very supportive of our concerns. Members of the Conveyance Committee, the P&C and myself are again working on the issue.

Childers Festival

Thank you to everyone for your kind and consolidated efforts to supply ingredients and/or bake for the cake stall at the Festival. Thank you also to Mrs Ham, Mrs Robertshaw, Mrs Hawker and Mrs Arjona for your time helping out in the staff to sell cakes. Special mention goes to our students Ella, Summer, Tash, and Talia for their great work in selling produce on the day. Thank you also to Mr Ham who transported the marquees and goods to and from the stall.



Congratulation Mrs Hawker

In 2009 I invited Mrs Hawker to join my staff at Maroondan as a Teacher Aide and assisted her in commencing the required Certificate 3 in Educational Support. As her supervisor, I was required to sign off on modules from the work site before they went to the educational institution. Her level of commitment and application to tasks far surpassed the needs of study at that level. She completed the studies in around 3 months. I then encouraged and recommended her to embark on a course of studying for teaching.

Mrs Hawker commenced a Bachelor of Education Honours program through USQ. Last week Mrs Hawker received confirmation that she has now completed all of her study requirements and has been awarded First Class Honours. She has also been awarded the Head of School (USQ Education Dept.) prize of outstanding academic achievement. She is now registered with the Queensland College of Teachers and will be attending the graduation ceremony later this month. Congratulations on the enormously hard and long journey of study to not only complete the studies, but complete them with such a high level of achievement!

P&C Messages from Vice President Kylie Robertshaw

Childers Festival update from Sherrin Ham.

As coordinator, I would like to thank everyone who helped with making the 2016 Childers Festival Goodwood State School stall a success. Thank you to Paverock Quarry for your sponsorship of our stall site. Thank you to our wonderful bakers Jo, Lisa, Kylie, Jana, Karen, Michelle, Melinda, Pam, and Ella. Thank you to Jody for donating ingredients, Melinda for donating ice. Thank you to Ella, Michael, Jana, Trevor, Mrs Hawker, Mr Coleman, Kylie, Tasha, Summer, Lisa, Talia, Karen and Sharon for helping at the stall. With all your help we raised over \$1000 on the day.

August Bingo Update

The P&C would like to thank Lynda Packenas and Kim Bauer for running this month's bingo session; we would also like to let Robbie know how grateful we are for calling bingo, you put a smile on everyone's face.

Pie Drive

A friendly reminder that pie drive forms and money are due back this Thursday (11/8/2016)

Special Food Day

SFD is on Wednesday 10th August.

Save the dates:

School Banking- EVERY Wednesday

P&C Meeting- 3pm August 30th 2016 in the Library

Bingo at the Woodgate Club - 1st Friday of EVERY Month.

Pie Collection Day- 1st September 2016

Community Messages

WIDE BAY WOMEN'S HEALTH CENTRE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CHILDERS NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

presents

WHO MOVED MY CHEESE?



Who Moved My Cheese?
is an extremely popular book about *Change* and adapting to *Change*.

The author, Dr Spencer Johnson has said:
"What matters most is the **attitude** we have about change"
When Change happens, is it as sudden as we think or are there clues?
Life is 10% of what happens to you and 90% of how you react to it!

This interactive 2 hour workshop includes watching a 16 min film-clip based on the book and features the four characters from the book, two mice, Sniff and Scurry, and two little people, Hem and Haw.

*Cheese represents what we want in life - this could be a loving relationship, a great job, money, a possession, health, beauty, or spiritual peace of mind.
We chase/pursue our Cheese because we believe it will make us happy.
If we get it, we often become attached to it.
If we lose it, or it's taken away, it can be traumatic.*

*The Maze represents where you spend your time looking for what you want:
The organisation you work in
Your family
Relationship in our lives
The community you live in*

*Have you ever got robbed/lost your Cheese?
Become someone new who **learns how to** find more Cheese!*

Falilitator: Jenny Bill, Clinical Counsellor, MACA
When: Monday 29th August 2016
Where: Isis Child and Family Support Building
14 Hinkler Street, Childers
Time: 10.00am to 12.00pm

*Book your place by 22nd August, a minimum of 10 participants are required
Please call the Women's Health Centre on **4125 5788**
Or Childers Neighbourhood Centre on **4130 4690***



WBWHC
For Women By Women

Sports Camps Australia SCA Junior Softball Camp

Camp director: Leigh Martyn

Location: B' Berg Softball Grounds
Frank Coulthard Sports Complex,
Clayton Road, Norville 4670

Camp: 27-28 August 2016

Cost: 2 days - \$160; 1 day - \$100

Time: 9am – 3pm

Age: 6-16 years

Gender: Co-ed

Skill: All skill levels welcome

