Goodwood Gazette

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‘Strive to Achieve’

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2016 School Improvement Focus:
Numeracy Skills & Reading Comprehension

Dates for Diaries

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<td>Choir starts</td>
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<td>First parade of the term. Year 4-6 will be sharing their work on parade.</td>
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<td>Monday 17th October</td>
<td>Student free day</td>
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<td>Tuesday 18th October</td>
<td>P&amp;C Meeting 3pm in the library. All welcome</td>
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<td>Thursday 20th October</td>
<td>Volunteers’ morning tea</td>
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<td>Successful students who make our chess team compete at the Inter-School Tournament</td>
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<td>World Teachers’ Day</td>
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<td>Thursday 10th November</td>
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<td>Wednesday 23rd November to Wednesday 7th December</td>
<td>School swimming everyday</td>
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<td>Captain elections</td>
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<td>Wednesday 7th December</td>
<td>Swimming carnival 10am-12pm</td>
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<td>Concert and Awards night 6pm onwards</td>
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<td>Thursday 8th December</td>
<td>Fun Day</td>
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<td>Friday 9th December</td>
<td>Last day of term. Happy Holiday 😊</td>
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NO AFTER SCHOOL SPORT for Term 4

Unfortunately, we are no longer able to apply for any more funding this year as the Sporting Schools program now only funds a maximum of 3 Terms a year. As we have been successful for the past 3 Terms, we are unable to fund after school sport in Term 4.

Absence Notifications in 2017

The safety and wellbeing of students are the highest priorities for the Department. Parents need to know if their child hasn’t turned up for school, and schools need to know when and why a child is absent.

From the beginning of Term 3, 2016 state schools will be required to, without delay, notify the carer of a student in out-of-home care who is identified as missing from school.

From the beginning of 2017, state schools will be required to notify parents on the same day that any student is absent from school without explanation.
This is just an example of how the process may work in a small school. Schools may choose other ways to mark rolls and/or notify parents which could also meet the intent of same day student absence notification.

This means that if you have not contacted the school prior to class commencement, we are required to contact you to let you know that your child is absent.

**Terry Denton Excursion to Childers**

We had a wonderful excursion to see the famous illustrations by Terry Denton at the Childers Art Space. Students were able to join in with an art activity and design their own level to a treehouse. For those of you who are not familiar with Terry Denton’s work he draws lots of storeys in treehouses! Their art work will be shown to Terry Denton when he visits the gallery later this month.
Whilst half the school were at the gallery the other half were traveling back in time at the Childers’ Historical museum. We were very lucky to be offered a special opening (outside their normal hours) and be shown around by so many knowledgeable and friendly members of the Historical Society.

School Camp

Students in Yr 4-6 were invited to attend this year’s school camp on Fraser Island. We have included a few images to show you what a great time we had! If your child attended camp and would like a copy of the pictures we took please send them in with a USB and we will be happy to do this for them.
The camp ran perfectly, enabling all of the children to be safe and to fully enjoy the experiences. My appreciation and gratitude to Mrs Hawker and our Chappy Shane for their commitment and magnificent support, which substantially ensured the success achieved.
Youth Parliament 27th October, 2016

Last term I was made aware of an opportunity for four of our students to participate as members of Youth Parliament and I submitted an application.

I am excited to announce that we were successful! I nominated our School and House Captains.

Essentially, it is an opportunity for primary school students to learn about parliamentary processes through formally participating as members of parliament for a day.

The roles we have been given are as follows:

- Sergeant-at-Arms: Ella Ham
- Deputy Opposition Whip: Asher Johnson
- Member for Saltwater: Talia Arjona
- Member for Staaten: Caleb Ricciardi

Talia and Caleb will be required to deliver a one minute speech each, in favour of a motion for education reform.

Asher is required to count the opposition votes and to make a speech on a relevant topic for one minute at adjournment debate.

Ella carries in the Mace, makes the announcements and monitors the timer and rings the bells for division through the day.

This is a magnificent opportunity for our school leaders to gain a very real understanding of parliamentary processes and to further develop their experience.

There is usually widespread media coverage of the event so keep a watch on the news that night!

Welcome Ralph – Our New Chaplain

At the end of last Term I received a call from the region co-ordinator for Chaplains. They needed to shuffle the Chaplains around to cover the needs of schools. Shane has been sent to work at Cordalba for Term 4.

In his place we have welcomed Chaplain Ralph who works at Isis High and Dallarnil State School. Shane was present last Tuesday to introduce Ralph and farewell our students for this year.

Ralph will be spending Tuesdays at Goodwood. He will be continuing the same theme of communication skills and team skills in his work with our students.

Please make Ralph feel welcome and say hello to him.

Funeral of Mrs Evelyn Short

During the holidays I received a telephone call from Rev Don Moore who facilitates the ANZAC and Remembrance Day services with the RSL. He informed me that Mrs Short had died and invited me to speak at her funeral.

Mrs Short had started the Woodgate RSL sub-branch in 1996 and Goodwood was there at their very first service. Every year she donated a book on behalf of the RSL for our school library for our students to enjoy.

Recently, when Mrs Short became hospitalised, our students organised a get-well card for her, which lifted her spirits. Her most recent donation to our school was a collection of coins and brief notes that were anecdotes of each of the wars Australian personnel have served in. The wooden case housing the collection was built by the Woodgate Men’s Shed.

In my address, I acknowledged the gratitude and appreciation of Mrs Short’s unyielding generosity, thoughtfulness and commitment to our school.

Despite being almost 87 years old, Mrs Short maintained sharpness of mind, a zest of life and a spark of astute interest in the world with compassion for others.

She was a great model for us all.
Captain Applications – Need to Invite Y4 Green

Our Y5 students have been issued with their application forms to seek consideration to run for the school leader roles. Currently we have 3 Y5 students and there are 4 positions vacant; 2 x School Captain, Gold House Captain and Green House Captain.

All 3 of the Y5 students are in Gold House. Consequently, we will need to open up the opportunity for the Y4 Green students to apply to run for the selection process.

This is not an unusual event in small schools. I have often had Y6 students filling the captain roles when we had Y7 students, due to eligibility requirements.

The successful Y4 candidate being appointed to the Green House Captain for 2017, will need to go through all the same processes as other Y4 (Y5 in 2017) candidates.

Pre-Prep Program

To provide greater support in transitioning children from home to school, we have developed a more intensive Pre-Prep program that started last Term and runs on Friday mornings. Each week there is a different focus. Thank you to Mrs Byrnes and Mrs Lay who have been delivering the new program.

It is an excellent way for children to develop some key skills and understandings in how schools operate, how activities are run in a formal learning environment and about interacting with other students. Essentially, it helps them to feel far more comfortable in starting full-time education in the following year.

Our thanks also to our P&C executive who have been present to meet the new parents and have a chat with them to make them feel welcome and a part of our community.

Thank you to Mrs Byrnes for adding this task on top of her already busy load and for kindly being available to chat with the new parents and to answer any questions.

Considering we are a small school, we are delivering a very comprehensive program, which I believe will be very successful for all.

Volunteers’ Morning Tea Thursday 20th October

To acknowledge the magnificent and highly valuable work of all people who volunteer to support our school, we are holding a morning tea next Thursday. This is an important time to stop and in a small way, say thank you. It is amazing how wide-spread our volunteer network is and what a difference they make to our school to benefit our children.

We have sought out and tried to capture all the names of people who have helped and have sent them invites. If you are a volunteer and haven’t received an invite, please don’t be shy! Please let us know, we are always dreading the thought of inadvertently missing someone. You would be doing us a favour by letting us know! 😊

Looking forward to seeing you all at the morning tea. 😊

P&C Messages from Vice President Kylie Robertshaw

P&C Association News – October 2016

The Parents and Citizens Association would like to welcome everyone back from the September/ October school holidays.

During the last 3 terms the P&C have been extremely busy organizing and holding cake stalls, monthly bingo sessions, disco’s, special food days, organizing weekly school banking, and pie drives. (just to mention a few) This fundraising has enabled the P&C this year so far to contribute funds towards the wireless upgrades throughout our school, provide a sausage sizzle on sports day and subsidize upper school camp. We would like to thank everyone who has helped out even in the smallest way as “many hands make light work”
If you would like to join the P&C, can help out at fundraisers or would like to have your say on our next project please feel free to come along and be part of our monthly meeting.

P&C Vice-President

Kylie Robertshaw

Community News

URANGAN POINT STATE SCHOOL, HERVEY BAY
INVITES ALL PAST STUDENTS AND STAFF
TO CELEBRATE
OUR CENTENARY
SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER 2016
10am to 4pm
• ALL DAY FETE
• MEMORABILIA AND CENTENARY BOOK
• RIDES FOR THE KIDS
• FOOD
• MARKET STALLS
• STUDENT AND STAFF DISPLAYS
• MONSTER RAFFLE
• OLD TIME GAMES

For more information, please contact Gloria Kenzig on 41948333

Mitchelton State School
47 Glen Retreat Road

22 October 2016

MITCHELTON STATE SCHOOL CENTENARY CELEBRATION
10am - 12pm
(registration from 10am)

Devonshire tea
Centenary display
School choir
Alumni band
Class photos
Unveiling of time capsule

Continue the party at
MITCHIE FEST CENTENARY FETE
12 - 7pm

Applications for membership of Bundaberg Youth Orchestra in 2017 are now open. Application forms are available on our website
www.bundaberyouthorchestra.com

Membership applications are due by 2nd November 2016.

Please contact byo.committee@gmail.com for more information, or go to the FAQs page on our website for further details.
Great for the whole family this performance engages local performers in the art of circus performance with trainers from Brisbane based company Circa.

A series of $10 hands on craft workshops running alongside free of charge arts activities in the Bundaberg Regional Art Gallery and the adjoining park.

This one off workshop with Manga Style artist Bec McPherson has very limited spaces available and is available to 11-15 year olds only.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RETURN YOUR DENTAL FORMS ASAP.