



VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

“Caring and Challenging for the Future”

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Be a Learner



Be Safe



Be Respectful

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Term 4 Week 4

Prep	Grace
1/2	Chloe
2/3	Jessie
4/5	Rose
5/6	Emma
Science	Chase /Murray
Music	Mia /Chloe
P'ground	Grace
Principal's	Brooklyn-Jade

Term 4 Week 5

Prep	Mica
1/2	Carter
2/3	Jayden
4/5	Nancy
5/6	Lilli
Music	Lilli /Abbey Sonny /Trey
Choir	Tatti-Jaana
Science	Rhyse /Liam
P'ground	Jade
Principal's	Eli
LOTE	Huntah

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the meeting on Friday regarding next year's camp for Year 6 students. We hope that Karen was able to address all your questions and concerns.

LOUD SHIRT DAY



On Friday, students were invited to wear a brightly coloured shirt for Loud Shirt Day. All proceeds will go towards giving the gift of sound and speech to deaf children.

EXCURSIONS

Letters containing details regarding our excursions to St Helena Island and Lone Pine, will be sent home this week. Please check your child's bag daily.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Friday 11th November, Mrs Simpson will accompany the school captains to Beaudesert to take part in the Remembrance Day service. The rest of the school will take part in a one minute silence at 11.00 am.



BEHAVIOUR UPDATE

At a recent PBL meeting, Term 3 behaviour data was presented to staff. This data was also discussed at last week's PACE meeting. Details are as follows:

There are a total of 154 incidences for the Term. 40 different children were involved in these incidences, however, several children had multiple referrals. The breakdown is as follows:

Buddy – 7 girls, 20 boys

Principal Referrals – 9 girls, 53 boys

Minor Detentions – 5 girls, 15 boys

Major Detentions – 4 girls, 38 boys

Suspensions – 0 girls, 5 boys

8 children were responsible for nearly 50% of the data collected.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you to all of the parents who have attended Parent/Teacher interviews. If you would still like to see your child's teacher, please see them to arrange a mutually convenient time.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

The next graduation meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th November at 3.05 pm.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The students have been busy with two requests from local community groups.

The newly formed Beaudesert Christmas Group, have requested that students in the area decorate cans which will then be used to decorate the new town Christmas tree in Beaudesert. "Light Up Beaudesert" will be held on the evening of December 1st when the town Christmas lights will be turned on.

The Beaudesert RSL Women's Auxiliary, have requested students write Christmas messages to send to serving veterans overseas who will not be able to spend Christmas with their families.

Thank you to all of the parents who so kindly donated gift items, paper or postage costs to our Student Council Christmas Shoebox appeal. This initiative of Samaritan's Purse, brings great joy to underprivileged children overseas – some of whom may never have received a present before. We were able to pack and send 12 shoeboxes altogether. Thank you also to the Religious Instruction ladies for delivering our boxes to Brisbane for us.

It is always nice to be able to support community groups where we are able.

YEAR ONE SWIMMING

This week, the Year one students all received a swim shirt donated by the Lions Club of Beaudesert. This is a commitment the Lions Club make each year.

We remind parents of Year 1 students that each Friday from November 18 to December 2, parents will be required to transport their children to and from the pool. Bus transport will not be available on these days.

TUCKSHOP DAY

On Friday, the P&C were presented with a certificate on parade for Tuckshop Day. Our P&C

provide fantastic healthy lunches twice a week for students and staff as well as catering for various events throughout the year. We truly appreciate the hard work and commitment that is displayed to our school.



P.A.C.E

Thank you to all the parents who have attended the Parent Sharing meetings this Semester. Overall, it has been a very positive experience and some direct changes to the school have come about from our meetings.

For example; iPads are no longer used as rewards for ASD children alone, Orange Room begins the same day as a detention, we are trialling a Termly reward system, Mrs Simpson is providing more support for the captains and has committed to no parent meetings on Friday mornings so that she can attend Friday parade. Exceptional circumstances may still arise affecting Mrs Simpson's attendance.

These changes were initiated from the fortnightly meetings. We've also had some excellent, and at times confronting, discussions on resilience, our journeys at Veresdale, ASD diagnosis and the impact an ASD child can have on the class.

As the next few weeks will be extremely busy for everyone, it has been decided not to hold any more Parent Sharing meetings this year.

We began this group to listen to parents and to give parents a voice. If you'd like to be part of that, then come and join us in 2017.

PREP ORIENTATION DAYS

Prep students attending Veresdale Scrub SS next year are invited to attend any or all of our five

Prep Orientation Days. Dates are displayed in the Dates to Remember section.

It is a requirement by Education Queensland that non-enrolled students must be accompanied by a parent. If you would like your child to attend the sessions and are unable to be here yourself, please organise with another parent to be the carer for your child on that day. A signed note advising of this must be provided to the office. Parents are welcome to assist in the classroom during these sessions. If you do not wish to remain in the class, you are welcome to assist the P&C with gardening or other tasks, or simply sit and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY AT BSHS

Our Year 6 students who intend to enrol at Beaudesert High, are invited to attend an Orientation Day there on Monday 28th November. As this is also a Prep transition day, during the morning session, other students will also be moving into prospective classes for 2017.

2017 ENROLMENTS

If you have not yet returned your slip indicating whether or not your children will be returning to Veresdale School next year, please do so as soon as possible. Class configurations are currently being considered.

CHILD RELATED PARASITES

Throughout Semester 2, all classes have been studying health units, which included child related parasites.

It is important that the school and the parent community work together to lessen the impact of all types of child related parasites (head lice, stomach parasites etc). Please encourage your child to use correct handwashing procedures after visiting the toilet and before eating. If you notice signs of head lice on your child, please treat the hair before sending your child back to school.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- November 9th – Prep Orientation 9-10.30am
- November 11th – whole school swimming
- November 15th – Prep Orientation 9-10.30am
- November 16th – Year 4-6 Excursion to St. Helena
Island
- November 18th – **Year 1 swimming ONLY**
- November 21st – Prep Orientation 9-10.30am
- November 23rd – Prep – Year 3 Excursion
to Lone Pine
- November 25th – **Year 1 swimming ONLY**
- November 28th – Prep Orientation 9-10.30am
Year 6 transition to Year 7 at BSHS
- November 30th – Year 6 Graduation
- December 2nd – **Year 1 swimming ONLY**
- December 7th – Awards Evening

2017 ENROLMENTS

My _____ child/children

will / will not be returning to Veresdale Scrub
State School in 2017.

Family Name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

(To be returned ASAP)

