



# VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

“Caring and Challenging for the Future”

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Principal – Mrs Vivienne Simpson

15<sup>th</sup> February 2016

Newsletter 2

**Be a Learner**



**Be Safe**



**Be Respectful**



## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 2

Prep	AJ
1/2	Chloe
2/3	Brooke
4/5	Liam
5/6	Harrison
Science	Xoe /Harrison
P.E.	Sebastian
P'ground	Isabella
Principal's	Tilly-Rose

## THANK YOU

Thank you to all of the parents who were able to attend our Parent Information session yesterday afternoon. If you were unable to attend and would like any information please contact your child's teacher or arrange a mutually convenient time for a meeting.

Please be aware that before school our teachers are extremely busy preparing for the day. If you wish to discuss an issue with them that is not of an urgent nature, please be considerate of the time needed and perhaps arrange a suitable time after school.

## CONGRATULATIONS!!

Voting was conducted last Friday for our Student Leader positions. The following students were successful in their nominations –  
School Captains – Lilly & Hayden  
Vice Captains – Jade & Charlie  
Sports Captains –  
Melaleuca – Alistair  
Grevillea – Huntah  
Student Council –  
President – Blake  
Secretary – Jade  
Treasurer – Caitlin  
Technology Manager – Mia  
Environmental Manager – Jack  
Sports Shed Monitor – Asmara

The **Badge Presentation Ceremony** for our school leaders will be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30 pm in the Hall. As usual, the students' parents will be invited to present their child with their badge. All parents and friends are most welcome to attend this function.

At 2.00 pm afternoon tea will be held in the hall for family and friends of Year 6 students.

### WELCOME MORNING TEA

Thank you to the P&C for organising a welcome morning tea for parents following parade today. This was a great opportunity for new parents to get to know the P&C executive as well as other parents.

### MUSIC LESSONS

This year our classroom music lessons will be taught in a different manner.

During Term 1 Ms Quast will teach music to the Year 1/2 class and Year 2/3 class. Mrs Conway will teach the Year 4/5 and Year 5/6 classes during Term 2. The Prep class will receive music lessons throughout all of Semester One.

### CROSS COUNTRY

The school Cross Country will be held on the last day of Term 1 (Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March). More information will be sent home as it becomes available.

### PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is operating on Tuesdays from 9.00 am to 11.00 am at the Hall.

To support pre prep students within our area, the school is providing a teacher aide to work alongside Playgroup mums and carers. Mrs Amanda Maas will be working with playgroup mums and children every Tuesday. She will be implementing mini thematic units to engage the 3 – 4 year old children in preparation for school. Activities will also be available for younger children which can be operated by parents/carers. Parents/carers will still be responsible for behaviour management of all children attending and are expected to support Mrs Maas in her efforts to provide pre-prep children with activities that afford them the very best opportunity for transition into prep. Please come along on Tuesday mornings from 9.00 am to 11.00 am at the school hall to join this group. Alternatively you can ring the school for more information.

### FINANCE AUDIT

Our school is scheduled for a finance audit from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup> March. Please be patient when calling the school during this time as Mrs Howsan will be extremely busy.

### SCHOOL AUDIT

#### **School review - opportunity to have your say**

Our school is scheduled for a school review from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> to Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.

The Department of Education and Training introduced new performance reviews for Queensland state schools in 2015.

The reviews do not rate or compare schools but provide independent and quality feedback to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students.

All schools have a review at least every four years. A report will be made available to parents and the community on the school's website.

The Review team would like to hear from our school community and I encourage anyone who is interested to have their say. Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for students.

Feedback can be provided to the review team by phone or in person. All feedback remains confidential.

If you are interested in speaking to the reviewers, or would like more information about the review process, please contact the office directly or email the review team at [SIUMB@dete.qld.gov.au](mailto:SIUMB@dete.qld.gov.au)

Further information about the reviews is available from the department's website at: [education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-performance-assessment-framework](http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-performance-assessment-framework)

### RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

Permission forms for Religious Instruction are attached to this newsletter and will need to be returned by Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please note that all students from Year 1 to Year 6 must return this permission form. Prep students do not participate in Religious Instruction classes.

# Blue Jays Netball

## JIMBOOMBA



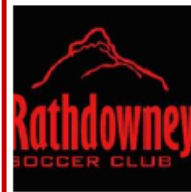
**Sign On 2016**

**20th February 9am - midday**

**@ South Street, Jimboomba  
Netball Courts.**

**~ any queries please call**

**Sarah 0431 006643**



# Join us for the new season.

ALL AGES FROM UNDER 7'S TO  
OPEN MEN AND WOMEN TEAMS.

Training starts mid-February  
—once a week at the Rathdowney Memorial Ground.

Junior Age groups: Straight after School

Seniors teams: from 5.30pm

*\$150 per player. This includes match fees, insurance and  
team uniforms*

For more information contact:

Ellen Masen: ellenmaree6@gmail.com

Hans Masen: (07) 55 441 195



**FREE  
PARENTING  
SEMINARS**

## Triple P Positive Parenting

Take the guesswork out of parenting!

Want to see more of the behaviour you like and less of the behaviour you don't like? Come along to a Triple P, Positive Parenting Program seminar. There are three seminars available for parents of children up to 12 years old. You are invited to attend the FREE parenting seminars at:

**Caddies Community Care  
19-33 South St  
Jimboomba**



### SEMINARS in 2016

**The Power of  
Positive Parenting**  
Monday, 29th  
February, 6.15pm  
to 8pm

**Raising Confident,  
Competent Children**

Monday, 7th  
March, 6.15pm to  
8pm

**Raising Resilient  
Children**

Monday, 14th  
March, 6.15pm to  
8pm

### Enquiries

**0400 783 824  
3226 8561**

Hosted by Jimboomba  
Toastmasters



To attend book your free place now at: [www.triplep-parenting.net](http://www.triplep-parenting.net)

## CENSUS VOLUNTEERS

The Australian Bureau of Statistics are seeking staff for CENSUS 2016

The ABS is seeking people to fill a variety of roles from Area Supervisors to Field officers for the Census.

The ABS is changing the way the Census is conducted, which includes increasing the use of technology. Not only can residents complete the Census online, but also Field Staff will use technology such as ABS employee web sites and mobile applications to record their work and online learning systems to complete some of their training.

Area Supervisors will recruit, train, lead and supervise a team of eight to twelve Census Field Officers. They will also perform routine clerical and operational tasks such as assisting Field Staff who are using technology to complete their work. Safe work practices are a core responsibility of this role.

More information is available online at [www.abs.gov.au/census](http://www.abs.gov.au/census)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**February 26** – 2pm Afternoon Tea for Year 6 students and their families and friends

2.30 pm Badge Presentation Ceremony in the Hall

**March 2/3/4** - Finance Audit

**21 – 23** - School Review

**24** – Cross Country

End of term 1

**April 11** – Term 2 begins

**21** – 2 pm Great Galaxies – Arts Council Performance



# EXCITING CROSS COUNTRY PROGRAM

## MARCH - JULY 2016

Queensland Running's 2016 Cross Country season commences on Saturday 5 March at Teralba Park, Mitchelton. The season runs from March through to the end of July and is of great assistance to all students in preparing for the school, district and regional cross country competitions.

Our competition includes distances ranging from 500/800metres (alternating each week), 1000, 1500, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000 and 8000 metres. The 3000 and 5000 metre distances are run together as are the 4000, 6000 and 8000 metre events. In these races, runners can complete the lesser or greater of the of distances, depending on their comfort zone.

The runs are conducted at various parks in and around Brisbane, including Chermside, Toowong, Pine Rivers, Sandgate and Yeronga, to name a few.

For those unable to run, but still wishing to participate, a 500 metre non-competitive walk is programmed each week. Take your pram or dog for a wander through one of these beautiful parks. It is a popular event for families and best of all, it is free!

We have very reasonable rates to run and they include as many events as you would like to run over the afternoon, 10 years and under run for \$3.00 for the afternoon, \$4.00 for 11 to 17 years and adults pay \$5.00. If you register for the season for the cost of \$12.00, your runs cost \$1 less each afternoon and you run your first day for free.

We also have family registrations or individual runners can pay up front for the season. It is a great family afternoon where mums and dads can run with their children.

If you have any enquiries, please check out our website: [www.queenslandrunning.com.au](http://www.queenslandrunning.com.au) or call 0418 113 377.

### FUN FOR ALL AGES AND FITNESS LEVELS

**Season Features:**

- Weekly Competition
- Distances to suit all ages and fitness levels
- Championship events & Relays
- Picturesque park venues
- Canteen
- Affordable fees and family registrations