



# VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

“Caring and Challenging for the Future”

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Principal – Mrs Vivienne Simpson

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Newsletter 3

## Be a Learner



## Be Safe



## Be Respectful



### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 4	Tully Alex Anabel Harrison Ruby Blake
Music	Jarrad
P.E.	Katia
Choir	Jack
P'ground	Garry
Principal's	Dale /Hayley
Science	April
LOTE	

Week 5	Ellie Jack Audrey Shae Huntah
Music	Oliver /Faith
Choir	Grace
P.E.	Tilly
P'ground	Brooke
Principal	Arabella
Science	Katie
LOTE	Lucy

### RULE OF THE WEEK

Week 7	Ask permission to leave the grounds.
Week 8	Keep hands and feet to yourself.

### “I WANT 2 BE” DAY

Last Friday the Student Council held a Free Dress Day for “I Want 2 Be Day” to support kids with cancer. The students enjoyed coming to school dressed as what that would like to be when they grow up. Over \$100 was raised – what a great effort!



### STUDENT LEADERS PRESENTATION

The Badge Presentation Ceremony for our school leaders will be held on Friday 13th March 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.

## NEWSLETTERS

It has been decided that all future newsletters/parent communications will be emailed to parents/carers. This will hopefully alleviate the problem of some newsletters not making it from school to home. If you do not have an email address, we will still be able to supply you with a paper copy. The newsletters are also available from the school website. If you do not receive your first newsletter by email on the 20<sup>th</sup> March, please advise us as soon as possible after this date. Please fill in the attached slip notifying us of the email address you would like your email sent to. Please be aware that you should not reply to these emails. If you have a concern with something in the newsletter you will need to contact the school or appropriate person to discuss it.

## ADOPT – A -COP

Our Adopt-A-Cop, Snr Constable Kevin Woodberry, will be visiting us on parade on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March at this stage. The main focus of his visit will be bullying and road safety.

## CROSS COUNTRY

Our cross country will be held on the last day of term following parade. Parents are welcome to attend and cheer on their children and friends. Training with the students began this week. The Cross Country will be incorporated with a Fun Run fundraiser for the P&C. More information and forms will be sent home next week.

## ROUGH PLAY

There have been a number of students this week who have involved themselves in rough play within the playground. If a student intentionally acts in this manner, consequences will be enforced. The health, safety and well-being of students are paramount and behaviour of this type will not be tolerated.

## SPORTSMANSHIP

Sportsmanship is a quality that we try very hard to instil within all children while attending Veresdale Scrub State School. There have been some cases of students belittling others if they do not win or get their own way with something. Please speak to your children and support the school in endeavouring to provide all students with fair and equitable opportunities to carry out duties, areas of interest and expertise, attempting new things and a high sense of acceptance no matter what your capabilities are.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

A reminder that school photos will be taken on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, from 9.00 am sharp. Please make sure your children are at school on time dressed in their black/teal school uniform.

## SAFETY AROUND THE SCHOOL

Thank you to all of the parents who have tried to make the collection of students after school a safe experience for all individuals. Please remember to drive slowly past the school, park in appropriate areas and collect your children from the gate. If every parent / carer observes these simple conditions we should have a much safer environment for all children. Could you please check the names on any school hats you may have at home also?



## WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

World's Greatest Shave is the Leukaemia Foundation's biggest fundraiser. Money raised helps to reduce the impact of leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma – through research, and free emotional and practical support (like transport to and from treatment, and accommodation for regional Australians who need to move to the city close to hospital).

On parade on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March, two of our students, Macallister and Sebastian and their dad, Dan will be fulfilling their pledge to this cause. A local hairdresser will come along to parade to 'shave' the boys. Macallister and Sebastian will be having their heads shaved and Dan will be having his beard shaved. This will be a Free Dress Day for the whole school with a gold coin donation going towards this worthy cause. Students are also invited to bring along \$2 or more if they wish to have their hair coloured with either chalk or spray. Permission forms will be sent home regarding this and students will not be allowed to have their hair coloured if they have not brought back a permission note.

## VERESDALE'S VEGIE PATCH

Stacy Archer has kindly offered to rejuvenate our vegie garden. This week we have planted tomatoes, snow peas, celery, capsicum, lettuce, eggplant and radish in our vegie patch. A big thank you goes to Narelle, Morgan and Nicky for helping Stacy out. The students are studying Living Things in science and this is a great hands on learning experience for them. A roster has been drawn up for each class to water, weed and de-bug the garden. If any parents are interested in helping the children, please see Stacy.

### SPORTING EVENTS

Last week students from our school attended sports trials for Rugby League and AFL.  
Rugby League – Jack, Huntah, Alistair and Charlie McDonald  
AFL – Charlie and Alistair  
Both Huntah (R.L.) and Alistair (AFL) were successful in being selected to go on to be in the Pacific Rim Trials. Congratulations boys !!!.

### PARENT HELPERS

Parents are invited to come along to school and help out in the classrooms with reading groups, changing home readers and various other tasks. If you are interested in helping out please see your child's teacher to see what help they require and work out a time that is suitable.  
Please be aware that if you do come to the school to help out in any way at all, you must sign in at the office before beginning any tasks.

### CAMP - YEARS 4-6

We are in the process of organising school camp for this year. Students from year 4 – 6 will be invited to attend. Attendance is not guaranteed for any student i.e. if a student displays consistently inappropriate behaviours that may be deemed as unsafe and of too high a risk to attend camp, then alternate considerations will be made. We are unsure yet as to whether we will require parent helpers, however, it is envisaged that we will require at least one male parent to attend. Further information will be provided once details are confirmed.

### EMERGENCY CONTACT FORMS

Emergency contact detail forms were sent home with the last newsletter. Please check all details and make any necessary changes in red. All forms must be signed at the bottom as proof of sighting and returned to school as soon as possible.

### PIANO LESSONS

Piano lessons are available before school and into the first session on a Tuesday morning, with Mrs Coral Antcliff. We are extremely fortunate to have the opportunity for students to learn the piano at a very reasonable cost.

If you would like your child/ren to participate in piano lessons, please ring Coral on 55 412 148.



### HATS

Hats are being misplaced or picked up by the wrong person on a daily basis. We ask parents to support us by making sure that all hats are **clearly named**, and by reinforcing with their children that they must put their hat into their bag and zip it up after play times. Some children are putting their hat in the port rack or on top of their bag where they are easily moved around. Could you please check the names on any school hats you have at home also?

### DATES OF INTEREST

March	13	School Leaders Presentation 2.30pm
	19	School photos 9.00 am
	27	Worlds Greatest Shave
Apr.	23	School Anzac Service 10.45am

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### SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS BY EMAIL

Please use the following email address to email newsletters and other parent correspondence to me.

I do not have an email address and will still require a paper copy of the communications.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please return as soon as possible)