



# VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

“Caring and Challenging for the Future”

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## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 3	Dylan Brydie Mia Cassie Hayden
Music	Summah /Regan /Caitlin
Choir	Tiana
P.E.	Liam
P'ground	Jayden
Principal's	Ella
Science	Ellie /Liam

Week 4	Summah Hugh Tahlia Brooklyn Lucy
Music	Ellie /Isabella /Matti
Choir	Hayley
P.E.	Abigail
P'ground	Tilly-Rose
Principal's	AJ
Science	Oliver /Tiana
LOTE	Sharni

## BOOK FAIR

Our Book Fair for this year will begin next Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 3 pm in the Hall. Each class will be given the opportunity to attend the Book Fair for students to compile their own “Wish List”. Students will also be given a raffle ticket to go into a draw to win a prize – 1 prize per classroom.

Parents and students will be able to visit the Fair after school on the 26<sup>th</sup> May and before and after school on the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> May. All proceeds will be used to purchase resources for the Library. Brochures have been attached to this newsletter.

## FIRE ANT TALK

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, during the morning session, we will have visitors coming to the school to talk about fire ants with students and staff.



## RULE OF THE WEEK

Week 6- Always follow sport safety rules.  
Week 7- Exit a room in an orderly manner.

### **STAFF - TERM 3**

Class teachers for semester two have now been finalised. Mrs Porter has requested an extension of leave until 2016. Ms. McGrath will remain on class until the end of the year.

### **PLAYGROUND GAMES**

We wish to remind parents that games which involve contact can only be played at second break if a designated teacher has been assigned to the activity. Staff on general playground duty are not able to stay in one place to supervise such games. At first and second breaks students are able to play handball, cricket, soccer, adventure playground, sand pit and use the multi-purpose court. Other activities such as catching and throwing ball games and skipping/hula hoops are encouraged. I have sought clarification from Regional Office and have been advised that it is standard practice that contact sports are not played during break times.

At all times – even under supervision – students have certain groups that they are able to play in. These are Prep to Year 3 children and Year 4 to Year 6 children. This is for the safety of everyone involved.

### **TOYS AT SCHOOL**

Please do not allow your children to bring any toys, including hand balls, to school. Toys get lost or broken, which causes problems in the playground, and children are tempted to play with their toys in class.

This includes sports equipment as there is enough play equipment at school for all the children to share. Toys brought along for “Show and Tell” in the younger grades will be kept in the classroom in a safe place until the end of the day.



### **STUDENTS ARRIVING EARLY**

A large number of parents are dropping children off at school well before 8.30 am. As per our school handbook, expected arrival time is between 8.40 and 8.50 am. Please be aware there is no direct supervision of students before school. When unforeseen circumstances occur regarding arrival and departure times, prior arrangements must be made with the Principal.

### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Congratulations to Huntah who came 6<sup>th</sup> in his age group at the Pacific Rim Cross Country last Friday. Huntah will now compete at the Regionals on June 9<sup>th</sup> at Runaway Bay. Good luck Huntah.

### **DOMINO SWAP**

A number of students have expressed a desire to hold a Domino Swap Day in order to complete their set of Woolworths Dominos. If you wish your child to be involved please ensure they have a list of the dominos they are bringing to school and the dominos they still require. Swap day will be at lunchtime next Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May in the Library.

### **WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY**

Today was Walk Safely to School Day. All primary school children, along with their parents and carers, are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school.

Some of the objectives of this day are:

- To promote the health benefits of walking and creating regular walking habits.
- To help children develop vital road crossing skills and ensure children up to the age of 10 hold an adult's hand when crossing roads.
- To help children develop the vital road crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.

All children have been given a sticker to wear today. If you would like to read more about this please go to [walk.com.au](http://walk.com.au)

### **VOLUNTEER WEEK/P&C DAY**

Last week was Volunteer Week and next Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May is P&C Day. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who give generously of their time to support our school community. This includes those who help with tuckshop, reading, P&C events, the P&C Committee, changing home readers and many other areas. Your generous gift of time is greatly appreciated by all staff and students.

## CONCRETING

The concreting around the play shed and frog pond areas has been completed and we will soon have new turf laid on the dirt patches there, as well as in the multi-purpose court.

## PAVERS – FOR TENDER

The pavers that have been removed from the frog pond and play shed areas are available for tender. A reserve price has been placed on the pavers. All tenders need to be in a sealed envelope and placed in the designated box in the office. Pavers are in 'as is' condition and will need to be removed from the school before the June/July holidays. Final date for tenders to be accepted will be 5<sup>th</sup> June. The pavers are 200mm x 100mm and there are approximately 56m<sup>2</sup>.

## HEAD LICE

Thank you to parents for being vigilant in checking for signs of head lice. Reports of lice have lessened considerably. To assist in maintaining this, please continue to check hair regularly. It is suggested that all students with long hair wear it tied up to decrease the opportunity of reinfection.

## NAIDOC WEEK

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June we will be holding activities for NAIDOC week. During the middle session students will be put into small groups with a staff member and will work through several rotations such as painting and games. Further information will be sent home as soon as possible.

During the last session we will be showcasing the dances taught this term. Family and friends are invited to attend.

## P&C NEWS

Please find attached to this newsletter, the May P&C newsletter and commitment form for their upcoming Chocolate Drive. This form will need to be returned by 5<sup>th</sup> June.

## PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is still being held on Tuesday from 9.00 am to 11.00 am at the Hall. A teacher aide is employed to assist with group activities, however, parents/carers remain responsible for caring for the children and supporting them throughout these activities. This falls in line with the guidelines of the Playgroup Association Qld. Please contact the school for further information or if you are interested in attending.

## THANK YOU

We wish to thank the Holmes family for their donation of soccer balls. These will be a great addition to our sports equipment.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Copies of the whole school, Instrumental and Choir photos are available in the office for viewing. The Choir and Instrumental photos are \$16.00 and the whole school photo is \$20.00. Please order and pay at the office.

Final date for accepting orders at school is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June. After this you will need to contact Image Photography to order further photos – (5541 1690).

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**BRAND NEW TICKET OFFER!**

**4 PARK PASS** 4 parks unlimited entry until 30 June 2015. **ONLINE OFFER ONLY! \$55**

**SINGLE DAY ENTRY - OVER 50% OFF!**

	Adult	Pensioner	Child
<b>4 PARK PASS</b> (Valid Dates)	\$25	\$15	\$15
<b>WILDWORLD</b>	\$39	\$32	\$32
<b>SEA WORLD</b>	\$39	\$32	\$32

**DISCOUNTED DINNER & SHOW TICKETS**

<b>UTBAC</b> (Sunday to Friday)	\$80	\$70	\$55
<b>UTBAC</b> (Saturday)	\$90	\$80	\$65

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**TEMPORARY ROAD  
CLOSURE EXTENSION  
VERESDALE SCRUB ROAD, VERESDALE**

Flood immunity improvement works, together with road pavement works are continuing on Veresdale Scrub Road, Veresdale.

Due to delays resulting from extraordinary rain events and site conditions, the current road closure between Malabar Road and Sirato Court will be extended to Friday 26 June 2015.

Works involving pavement installation on site will continue post road closure, with minor traffic delays to be expected.

Residents and motorists are requested to observe traffic advisory signage and directions from site personnel.

Any enquiries regarding the work should be directed to Council on 5540 5111, quoting Veresdale Scrub Road Temporary Road Closure.

Craig Barke  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

May 26 – 29	Scholastic Book Fair
May 29	P&C Day Domino Swap day
June 4	HAIRSPRAY Musical 11am
June 5	Last day for paver tenders Chocolate Drive orders due Last day for photo orders at school
June 17	Fire Ant talk
June 19	ZONTA colouring competition entries collected
June 25	NAIDOC celebrations & Dance display
July 13	P&C Meeting 3.30pm
July 21	Author Visit
August 10	HighSchool Instrumental Performance
November 25 – 27	Camp Warrawee – Yrs 4-6

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**

Invoices for instrument loan hire and music levy have been sent home this week. If you have not yet returned your child's loan agreement, please do so as soon as possible. If you are unsure please contact the office.

**CAMP FUNDRAISING**

At our recent sausage sizzle we raised \$220.00 towards camp costs. Thank you to the parents who came along to help out on the day. We will be asking for parent help for future sausage sizzles as dates are confirmed.

We are also working towards a raffle with multiple prizes. Tickets will be sold at future sausage sizzles. Please watch out for more information soon.

**PROPOSED SCHOOL BUS SERVICE**

A form is attached regarding an extension to an existing bus run to cater for families in the Mundoolun, Cedar Grove, Woodhill and Veresdale areas. Please fill in the form and return it to school as soon as possible.