



VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

“Caring and Challenging for the Future”

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Newsletter 2

Be a Learner



Be Safe



Be Respectful



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 2

Prep	Joseph
1/2	Violet
2/3	Jessie
4/5	Arabella
5/6	Mia
PE	Sophie
Music	Eloise, Ruby, Arabella
Playground	Coopah
Principal's	Jasper
LOTE	Brooklyn-Jade

Week 3

Prep	Mahalia
1/2	Dylan
2/3	Shylo
3/4	Joshua
4/5	Monique
5/6	Nancy
PE	Lily-Rose
Choir	Daisy
Playground	Elise
Principal's	Daisy
LOTE	William t/Riley

Rule of the Week:

Week 4: Be organised – Always have pencils and books ready.

Week 5: Emergency Procedure - Lockdown

WELCOME

We would like to welcome the following new staff to our school:

Mrs Mia Hubert will be teaching the Year 4/5 class and Mrs Laurelle Richter will be teaching the Year 3/4 class. Mrs Nikki Kennedy will be teaching the Year 1/2 class on Mondays. On Tuesdays, Mrs Kennedy will be teaching Science to the Prep and Yr 1/2 classes as well as giving support to students in other classes.

We hope they all enjoy their time with us at Veresdale.

STUDENT SPEECHES

Students from Year 6 who have nominated for leadership positions will be presenting their speeches on Monday morning at 9.00 am in the Hall. Students from other classes will be attending to listen to the speeches. Voting will be conducted after finalisation of speeches. Students in Years 4 to 6 are eligible to vote. Once positions have been finalised badges will be ordered. A presentation afternoon will be organised and advertised once we receive the badges.

P&C - Notice of AGM

Monday 13th February, 6.45pm in the Library.
All committee positions are declared vacant.
Children are welcome but not supervised.
For further information regarding positions, please speak to Rachel Nicholson or Crystal Hollis.
Immediately following the AGM will be the first general meeting of the year. Please come along and support the P&C. This forum enables parents to have input into decisions made regarding excursions, camps, fundraising and purchasing of resources.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our Parent Information sessions on Wednesday afternoon. We hope that your questions or concerns regarding the day to day running of the classroom have been addressed. A note regarding the session for the Year 3/4 class will be sent home next week.

VOLUNTEERS

Parent volunteers are welcome in classrooms to assist with reading and small group work. If you would be interested in assisting in a classroom, please see the relevant class teacher to organise a time. Please remember that if you attend the school to assist in any way you must sign in at the office on arrival and out on departure.

ABSENCES

Parents are reminded that the school has a dedicated email address for student absences. Absences may be notified in advance, or on the day, prior to 9.15 am.
absentees@verescruss.eq.edu.au
Parents may still phone in their absences if they prefer.

SPORTS TRIALS

Today, Harrison and Riley attended Rugby League Trials at Jimboomba. These trials will give them the opportunity to be chosen for 'possibles' and 'probables' teams.

CURRICULUM NEWS

Prep- The Prep class have settled in beautifully. I am so proud of each and every one of them!

We have started looking at emotions within texts and how our own emotions relate to the characters within a book. In Maths, we are looking at counting to ten and beyond and recognising the numerals. Some children are starting to write numeral names. We have started our sight-words and are recognising letters and sounds through the use of Jolly Phonics. In Art, we have started self-portraits and will begin to look at our family in History.

Year 1/2 – In English, we have been exploring the features of picture books and looking at how pictures help us understand what is happening. In Maths, we have been learning about skip counting and place value.

Year 2/3 – The Year 2/3 class are settling in very well considering all the changes to classes. In English, we have been enjoying the hilarious book "The Twits". We are learning all about narrative structure and preparing to write our own story. In Maths, we are exploring numbers to 1000 and beyond.

Year 3/4- The Year 3/4 class have been looking at narratives in English. Together we wrote a story setting out orientation, complication and resolution. In Maths, we have been exploring place value, odd and even numbers and ascending and descending order. In History, we have been investigating early explorers. We have also held discussions on celebrations and commemorations.

Year 4/5- We have been working in groups for reading rotations and have started to investigate narratives. In Maths, we have been investigating factors and multiples within the Year 5 cohort. The Year 4 students have been defining odd and even numbers.

Year 5/6 – In English, the students have been working on analysing and comparing short story narratives. They have been creating plot graphs and learning about the different components that make up a narrative.

Our music lessons will now be held on a fortnightly basis with each class getting a one hour lesson which will enable more productive lessons especially when instruments are involved.