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# VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

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Newsletter 5

## Be a Learner



## Be Safe



## Be Respectful



### Term 1 Week 8

Prep	
1/2	Joseph
2/3	Benji
3/4/5	Jessie
5/6	Rosie
Choir	Hailee
P.E.	Kasey
Playground	Izac
Principal's	Shylo
Science	Elyssa
LOTE	Samuel

### Term 1 Week 9

Prep	Tyler
1/2	Trey
2/3	Tahlia
3/4/5	Kai
5/6	Arabella
Choir	Isabella
P.E.	Harley
Playground	Tilly-Rose
Principal's	Brooke
Science	Mackenzie

### DREAM GUARDS

Yesterday we had a presentation from Donna and Michael from Dream Guards. Thank you to the parents who were able to attend. The children were encouraged to build resilience and be an 'Upstander' not a 'Bystander'. They found the magic tricks, used to share the message, riveting and really enjoyed the use of music to help get the messages across. The key points are included below. To tie this in with Harmony Day, all students were invited to wear orange clothing.



### TARGET DAY

Target Day will be held on Thursday 29th March. All students will be tested on spelling and number to measure growth in these areas.

### REWARDS DAY



Rewards Day will be held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March – the last day of Term.

Students on Gold level will have a Disco and pizza.

Silver level will have karaoke.

Bronze level will be playing board games.

### NRL GALA DAY

The following students attended the NRL Gala Day last Friday and had a fantastic time - Tahlia, Bella, Rosie, Georgia, Anabel, Lauren, Joshua, Connor and Charlie. Thank you to:

- parents for transporting and supervising the children on the day.
- NRL Qld for organising the day
- the Brisbane Broncos for their support and donations
- Jimboomba Thunder for allowing the use of their grounds and supplying jerseys for our students

We look forward to participating in Kingfisher Cup later in the year.

### SUNSCREEN

Parents who supply their own sunscreen are requested not to send aerosol can brands. All sunscreen is kept in the classroom and must be applied before leaving the room. REMINDER - Aerosol cans of any kind are prohibited at school.

### EASTER BONNET PARADE

During parade next Thursday, all students will be involved in the Easter Bonnet Parade. Thank you to Woolies for the Easter headbands which they donated to the school for the students to use. The P&C raffle will be drawn during parade also. Please make sure you have returned your tickets for this.

The Student Council will be organising an Easter Treasure Hunt. This will be held during last session on Thursday.

### DAY OF EXCELLENCE - LITERACY

On Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> March, the following students attended a Day of Excellence at various schools in the district – Kiahna, Tilly, Lily-Rose, Mahalia, Casey, Indie, Ellie, Violet, Jack, Elise, Maddysen, Brooke, Elliana, Eli, Sammy, Mia, Monique, Courtney and Arabella. The focus of the day was on literacy and creative and critical thinking. Thank you to parents for transporting your children to these schools. Thank you to Woodhill, Jimboomba and Gleneagle Primary Schools, and Beaudesert High School, for hosting this event. All students had a very enjoyable day. Below are some of their comments.

Violet Year 2 – *I enjoyed getting awards from doing the activities. The best thing was reading “The Twits” and making a beard. There were some really funny stories read to us.*

Ellie Year 3 – *I had the best time. First we had a story read to us. Then we read a story called “How bears got stumpy tails”. We went out to the Olympics.*



Arabella, Courtney, Samuel, Mia and Monique enjoyed their day at Beaudesert High School.

Their opinion of the day is that it was fun and challenged their brains. *“We all loved the food. We read grade nine and eleven comprehension sheets. It was a pleasure to go to Beaudesert High and see how they learn.”*

### YEAR 6 CAMP

A letter updating Camp details is attached to this newsletter. Next week you will receive a pack containing all of the relevant paperwork. This will need to be returned in week 1 of Term 2.

### ICAS COMPETITIONS

The orders for these competitions were sent in last Friday and you should soon receive an invoice.

## **CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING**

Cross Country will take place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March from 9.30am. The program for the day will be posted on Facebook. Copies will also be available in the office if required.

## **CURRICULUM ARTICLES**

PREP/1 – The Prep/1 class have been very busy over the last few weeks. In English, we have been completing our assessment, looking at why we have stories, re-telling and linking the text to our personal experience. For Maths, we have revised measurement focussing on capacity to complete our assessment. We have also started skip counting. We also revised the letters we have learnt so far through Jolly phonics and started creating words using these sounds. We continue to learn our sight-words. In reading groups, the year 1 students have been focussing on a particular reading strategy. We are looking forward to doing some fun Easter activities next week.

YEAR 1/2 – In English, we are writing stories with a problem. Many students have been inspired by the bullying program and are using these ideas in their stories. During Art, we are working on reflection paintings (pictures). They are of a scene reflected in a lake. In Maths, we are completing assessments on telling the time and reading the calendar.

Rhyse and Zietta really enjoyed creating their 'reflection' pictures.



YEAR 2/3 – It's nearly the end of Term. So much to do! We have completed our Science and Health assessments. Most of the class are on their way to finishing their narratives. A big thank you to Nicky Devine for helping the children with their Visual Arts assessment which involves making 'fossils' with clay. The whole class thoroughly enjoyed the Dream Guards presentation. We all hope that valuable lessons have been learned. We wish everyone a Happy Easter and a safe holiday.

YEAR 3/4/5 – WOW What a week! English assessment, Harmony Day activities, Dream Guards performance

and all the usual 'happenings' in our room, has made our week very busy. We've made a beautiful 'Everybody Belongs' banner to hang in our room. Next week, we have Cross Country on Wednesday and Easter parade on Thursday along with Target and Rewards Day activities. If you have any decorations to help us decorate our Easter Bonnets, could your children please bring them in on Monday.

YEAR 5/6 -.In English, the students began analysing and comparing different texts to demonstrate their technical understanding. During Maths, the students have been investigating schedules and timetables to help solve real life situations. In science, students are learning about reversible and irreversible change. We are learning to write an argument during HASS lessons. In particular, we are exploring the use of historical information to support our opinions.

## **PLAYGROUP**

Each year, National Playgroup Week is celebrated to raise awareness about playgroups. Playgroups play an important role in providing parent and carer support and in promoting the value of play for young children. It is also an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful work undertaken all over Australia by dedicated parent and carer volunteers to keep playgroups running. No child is too young for Playgroup. All children from 0-5 years of age, including babies, love new experiences and benefit from developing sensory, social and communication skills through activities at playgroup. Playgroup activities may include:

- music and singing
- imaginative play
- outdoor and free play
- art and craft
- outings

Playgroup is held in the Hall at Veresdale Scrub State School on Tuesday mornings from 9.00 am to 11.00 am. The school funds a Teacher Aide to support the Playgroup through facilitating an organised program each week. For any further information please contact the school office on 5543 1227.



The Picture Products Fundraiser has been extended to next Term. Dates will be advised following the holidays.

### **HEAD LICE**

There have been some cases of head lice reported recently. All parents are reminded to regularly check their children's hair for signs of eggs or lice. If any signs are found, please do not send your child to school until the hair has been treated. For further advice regarding the treatment of head lice, please ask at the office for an information booklet.

### **SHAVE FOR A CURE**

Last Friday, Sammy, Connor and Daisy participated in Shave for a Cure for the leukaemia foundation. Other students from school paid a gold coin donation to have their hair coloured.



### **KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUTS**

The Krispy Kreme orders will arrive at school on Monday for collection in the afternoon. There are a couple of spare boxes if anyone would still like a box of 1 dozen glazed doughnuts for \$19. It will be the first to order from Mrs Seymour or Mrs Holmes.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- 26<sup>th</sup> March – Krispy Kreme Doughnuts being delivered
- 28<sup>th</sup> March – Cross Country (whole school)
- 29<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Bonnet Parade
  - Target Day
  - Rewards Day
- 29<sup>th</sup> March – Last day of Term 1
- 30<sup>th</sup> March – Good Friday

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Please be aware that Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> is a Pupil Free Day due to the Commonwealth Games. Term 2 begins on Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you to everyone for supporting the Coles Sports for Schools program. We have passed our target of 10 000 vouchers and still have 2 weeks to go. Great job, everyone!

**This weekend is double points!**

### **SCHOOL WATCH**

Your eyes and ears are our security.  
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