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Be a Learner



Be Safe



Be Respectful



Term 3 Week 5

Prep/1	Semen
1/2	Eloise
2/3	Ella
3/4	Xoe
4/5	Joshua
6	Bella
Choir	Zietta
P.E.	Rhyse
Playground	Courtney
Principal's	Joshua
Science	Isabella
LOTE	

Term 3 Week 6

Prep/1	Coopah
1/2	Elyssa
2/3	Eli
3/4	Alex
4/5	Maddison
6	Kasey
Choir	Jessie
Playground	Kiahna
Principal's	Courtney
Science	Ruby
LOTE	Rosie

BOOK WEEK

This week we celebrated Book Week with the theme “Find your Treasure”. Throughout the week, students in all classes completed activities related to this theme. As part of this, students completed a colouring activity. A winner from each year level was chosen and the winning students were presented with a book on parade today. As a culminating activity, students were invited to come to school dressed as a pirate.

- Prep – Matilda
- Year 1 – Mahalia
- Year 2 – Zietta
- Year 3 – Indie
- Year 4 – Annabel
- Year 5 – Anabel
- Year 6 – Bella and Kasey





CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Tahlia who competed at a Personal Best Pole Vault competition for under 14 year olds. The event took place at Griffith University on the Gold Coast last Saturday. Tahlia jumped 1.6 metres which gave her a qualifying PB. Well done Tahlia!



CURRICULUM ARTICLES

Prep/1 – This week, we have been investigating halves and dividing objects into equal groups. During HASS, we have been looking at maps and labelling them. In Science, we have been investigating different weather types and how the weather affects both humans and animals.

Year 1/2 – Our class is very excited to see our bean plants have started to grow. In Science, we are testing soil types. During English, we have been reading fiction and non-fiction texts about animals. In Maths, we are exploring 2D and 3D shapes

Year 2/3 – In Science, we have continued to focus our attention on experiments. The students enjoy seeing variations in temperatures. Next week, we will be commencing the assessment task. In Maths we are exploring money. For Literacy, each child will be presenting their retell of 'The Lorax'. This morning's parade featured many students dressed as pirates to celebrate Book Week.

Year 3/4 – In English, we have been reading traditional stories and discussing their structure. We have also been reading "The Lorax" and sharing our favourite

stories in preparation for Book Week. During Maths, we have been working hard on fractions. The Year 3 students have commenced planning advertisements for their Media assessment.

Year 4/5 – Year 4 students are currently working their way through a reading comprehension assessment. Year 5 have completed the first of many Mathematics assessments. All 4/5 students are settled and doing their best to stay on task and follow class and school rules. We are commencing our stitching/sewing item for entry into the Beaudesert Show's education section. Please look for them if you attend this year's show. Please remind your children to read each night, log their reading in their journals and practise their spelling. It really does show in their ongoing performance and results in class. It has been a lovely return to work after my long Service Leave in America.

Year 6 – In English, students are still busily completing their assessment tasks. They are learning to keep track of how they are going through self-evaluation. During Maths, we are learning about integers and moving toward understanding and problem solving with the cartesian plane. In Science, students are learning how indigenous communities prepare for natural disasters. Next week, we will commence our writing entries for the Beaudesert Show.

RESTA REPTILE PROGRAM

On Monday, the whole school took part in the RESTA Reptile Program. It was very interesting and the students particularly enjoyed being up close and personal with the reptiles.

BEACH & WATER SAFETY PRESENTATION

On Thursday 6th September at 11.30, the whole school will be involved in a Beach and Water Safety presentation. There is no cost involved with this incursion.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL

Representatives from the Beaudesert State High School visited the Year 6 students on Wednesday to discuss the transition to high school. The students were given enrolment packs which will need to be returned to the High School by the 21st September.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY

Thank you to all of the parents who completed the School Opinion Survey. If you have not yet done so, please log on and complete the survey this afternoon. This is your last opportunity.

BEAUDESERT SHOW

Ag-Ed Excursion – Friday 7th September

On Friday 7th September, the whole school will be involved in an excursion to the Ag Ed section of the Beaudesert Show. A permission slip and invoice will be sent home on Monday. The permission form will need to be signed and returned, with payment of \$4 per child, by next Friday 31st August.

All attending students should meet at the Beaudesert Showgrounds (Gate 3) at 9.15 am and be collected from the main entrance at 2.30 pm. Students may bring their own lunch or purchase it from the show, however, please note that they must bring an appropriate amount of money. Students must wear their school uniform and hat and bring along a water bottle. At the end of the day, students will be allowed to purchase show bags. If you send any money along, please put it into a named zip lock bag with a notation of what the money is to be used for.

E.g. John Citizen \$15.00 enclosed

\$10.00 for lunch

\$5.00 for show bag

These bags will then need to be handed to the group leader.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Once again this year, we would like to involve the students in packing shoeboxes filled with gifts for children in need around the world. Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is a project of Samaritan's Purse. All you need to do is send along to school some gift items which can be included in the boxes. A list of items, both suitable and not suitable, is included at the end of the newsletter. Alternatively, you may like to donate \$10 towards the essential costs involved with transporting each box. Other things we will require are clean, empty shoeboxes and wrapping paper. All items will need to be brought to school by the end of this Term (21st September). Boxes will then be packed at the beginning of Term 4. We thank you in advance for your support in encouraging students to be thinking of those who are less fortunate than themselves.

If you would like further information on this initiative, please visit operationchristmaschild.org.au

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 30th/31st – Father's Day Stall
Sept. 6th – Beach and Water Presentation
Sept. 7th – Beaudesert Show Ag Ed Excursion
Sept. 11 & 12 – Regional Athletics
Sept. 20th – Rewards Day & Target Day
Sept. 21st – Last day of Term 3
Oct. 8th – First day of Term 4
Oct. 22nd – Pupil Free Day – no school for students

SCHOOL WATCH

Your eyes and ears are our security.

LOOK, LISTEN, REPORT Phone 13 17 88

GIFT SUGGESTIONS:

- ✓ **SOMETHING TO WEAR:** t-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING TO LOVE:** teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING SPECIAL:** carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits, wind-up torch, a personal note, a photo of yourself, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL:** exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH:** tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, o-yo, slinky, finger puppets, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE:** soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, etc.

DO NOT INCLUDE:

- ✗ **ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT:** (these can spoil boxes) including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, crayons and plasticine/play dough
- ✗ **FOOD OR LOLLIES OF ANY KIND:** (due to customs regulations) including medicines and vitamins
- ✗ **USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS:** (due to customs regulations) including worn clothing and old toys
- ✗ **BREAKABLE ITEMS:** including glass, porcelain and mirrors
- ✗ **ITEMS THAT CAN SCARE OR HARM A CHILD:** including halloween, war or pirate-related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones
- ✗ **GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS:** including play money, playing cards and dominoes
- ✗ **RELIGIOUS LITERATURE:** including tracts and Bibles (every child is given an Operation Christmas Child evangelistic book at an outreach event)



These items are prohibited to protect children or to comply with overseas government and customs restraints.