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VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

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Be a Learner



Be Safe



Be Respectful



Term 3 Week 10

Prep/1	Hailee
1/2	Antonio
2/3	Joseph
3/4	Benji
4/5	Elliana
6	Olivia
Choir	Samuel
P'ground	Rachel
Principal's	Chloe
Science	Jacob /Samuel

Term 4 Week 1

Prep/1	Zenayah
1/2	Jacob
2/3	Alyssa
3	Isabella
4/5	Travis
5/6	Zygmin
Choir	Sophia
P. E.	Eloise
P'ground	Tabius
Principal's	Alex
Science	Ella /Josh
LOTE	Abbey

WELCOME

We would like to welcome everyone back to school for Term 4. This week we have had 6 new students enrol and we wish them, and their families, a very warm welcome to Veresdale. As advised prior to the holidays, this has meant a minor reshuffle of some classes and students. These students have settled well into their new classes.

We welcome Mrs Johnson back from maternity leave. Mrs Johnson will teach the Prep/1 class for the remainder of the year.

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent/Teacher Meetings will be held before and after school during weeks 3 and 4 of this Term. Timetables will be posted outside each classroom and we ask that parents fill in their name in a suitable timeslot. If none of the available times suit, please speak to your child's teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time.

QUOCKA READING PROGRAMME

Beginning next Thursday 18th October, we will have representatives from the Quota Club and Qld Police visiting our school to read with the Prep/1 class. Each child in the class will receive a book and another copy of the same book will be donated to our Library.

YEAR 1 SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons for Year 1 students will commence next Friday at the Beaudesert Public Pool. Lessons will run from 2.00pm to 3.00pm on Fridays for the next 8 weeks. The school will cover the costs involved with these lessons. Parents will need to collect their child from school at 1.30pm sharp and transport them to the pool. Students will have already been given the opportunity to change into their swimmers. After school, parents are asked to collect their other children from school before going to the pool to collect their Year 1 student. The Year 1 students will not be ready to leave the pool before 3.15pm at the earliest. Permission forms were sent home on Tuesday. Please complete the relevant sections and return the form to your child's teacher no later than Monday 15th October.

LOWER SCHOOL THEATRE EXCURSION

Students in the P/1, 1/2, 2/3 and Year 3 classes will be attending a theatre performance of "The Gruffalo" on Tuesday 30th October at the Ipswich Civic Centre. Students in the Year 3 class, who attended the performance of "The 78th Storey Tree House" earlier in the year, will not be attending "The Gruffalo" as they have already attended a theatre production excursion. Forms are included with this newsletter. Please complete the medical form and relevant sections of the permission form. Completed forms and payment need to be received by the school by Wednesday 17th October.

PREP ORIENTATION DAYS

Prep students, who will be attending Veresdale Scrub SS next year, are invited to attend any or all of our four Prep Orientation Days. Dates are displayed in the Dates to Remember section. These sessions all run from 9.00 am to 11.00 am.

It is a requirement by Education Queensland that non-enrolled students must be accompanied by a parent. If you would like your child to attend the sessions and are unable to be here yourself, please organise with another parent to be the carer for your child on that day. A signed note advising of this must be provided to the office. Parents are welcome to assist in the classroom during these sessions. If you do not wish to remain in the class, you are welcome to simply sit and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee.

CURRICULUM ARTICLES

Prep/1 – In Prep/1 we have commenced our letter writing unit. We have investigated the structure of letters and have written a letter to Miss McGrath. We

are eagerly looking forward to her reply and hearing how her holiday is going! In Maths, we have been solving simple addition and subtraction problems using a range of strategies, including partitioning and rearranging parts.

Year 1/2 – We are excited about the new Term. We are studying new topics and students are showing great enthusiasm for their class work. In English, we are looking at picture books, and will be writing a new event for a story. In Maths, we are currently looking at how best to remember our number facts. In Science we are studying life cycles of plants and animals. We are so excited to see our sunflower growing very quickly. We observed it grow 1.5cm on Tuesday and 2cm on Wednesday! We are also caring for and observing silkworms. They are growing rapidly and have tripled in size since Monday! Soon we will start our Digital Technology and Media units. They are going to be lots of fun!

Year 2/3 – Last Term has arrived. It will be a term with assessments to be completed and report cards sent home. We welcomed a new student, Alyssa, to our class. Four year 3 students have joined Miss McBeth's class. Trey has joined us for this Term. In Literacy, we are looking at poetry and combining it with Digital Technology. Our focus in Maths is on multiplication and division. We are using many strategies to understand these concepts. In Science, we are looking at solids and liquids.

Year 3 – Welcome back to Term 4. We are now only a straight Year 3 class and are settling down and getting back into our routines. In Maths, we are investigating money and working on giving change. During Science, we have been exploring liquids and solids and will be investigating melting.

Year 4/5 – This week, we welcomed two new students to our class, Aiesha (Yr5) and Stephanie (Yr4). We have commenced new units in Writing, Science, Health and HASS. It is important for students to be at school on time and to restrict days off. There is a timetable outside our class door should you wish to have an appointment for a Parent/Teacher interview. Remember, fresh fruit or veg for brain food at 10am, hats and water bottles are needed each day.

Year 5/6 – In English, we are investigating language features and text structures. Students are also gaining an understanding of the fundamental differences between informative text and narrative text styles. During Maths, students are focusing on fractions, decimals and percentages.

STUDENT FREE DAY

Monday, 22nd October is a pupil free day. Although staff will be present on this day, students are not required to attend school.

DREAM GUARDS AMBASSADOR

One of our students, Samuel who is a Dream Guards Ambassador, has organised an anti-bullying walk in Beaudesert this Sunday from 12 noon. The walk will start at St. Mary's school and proceed to Jubilee Park. The P&C will be holding a fundraising sausage sizzle at the park. If you are able to help out with the stall please contact Chantelle Appleton. Sammy would like all interested people to join him on the walk. You will also have an opportunity to sign a petition to introduce anti-bullying education in schools.

VISIT FROM THE MAYOR

Today, Scenic Rim Mayor, Cr Greg Christensen, attended our morning parade to support Sammy in his endeavours regarding anti-bullying. Sammy invited the Mayor to attend the anti-bullying walk on Sunday.

2019 ENROLMENTS

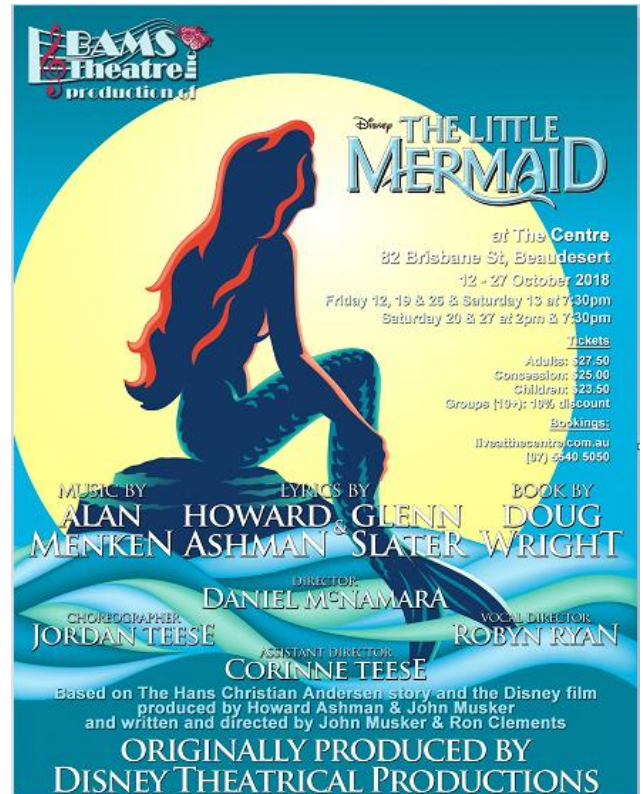
All families are asked to complete and return the form included in this newsletter advising us if your children will be returning to Veresdale Scrub State School in 2019. Please return these forms as soon as possible so we can commence organising possible class configurations for next year. Please note that it is not necessary for parents of current Year 6 students to return the form. Thank you to those parents who have already returned their form.

LOST EARRING

An earring was found near the Year 5/6 classroom earlier this week. If you have lost an earring, please contact the office.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct 19th – Year 1 Swimming lesson
Oct 17th – Payment/Forms due for "The Gruffalo"
Oct. 22nd – Pupil Free Day
Oct 26th – Year 1 Swimming lesson
Oct 30th – "The Gruffalo" theatre production
Nov. 5th, 13th, 21st, 29th– Prep Orientation Days



Past student, Brooklyn-Jade Senhenn will be playing in the ensemble for this production.

SCHOOL WATCH

Your eyes and ears are our security.

LOOK, LISTEN, REPORT Phone 13 17 88

2019 ENROLMENTS

My child/ren _____

will be returning to Veresdale Scrub State School in 2019.

will not be returning to Veresdale Scrub State School in 2019.

Family Name: _____