



VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

“Caring and Challenging for the Future”

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Principal – Mrs Viviene Simpson

29th January 2016

Newsletter 1

Be a Learner



Be Safe



Be Respectful



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 1

Prep	Elise
1/2	Xoe
2/3	Caleb
4/5	Bella
5/6	Hayley
Principal's	Dakota

WELCOME

On behalf of all staff members of Veresdale Scrub State School I would like to welcome everyone back to our school for the 2016 school year. A special welcome goes out to all of the new families that we have joining us this year. We hope that you will have an enjoyable year and become involved in some of the many activities that will be held across the year. All parents are invited to attend the P&C meetings and provide input across a range of topics prior to final decisions being made. We would also like to welcome Ms Susie Neill to our school. Ms Neill is our new Physical Education teacher. Lessons will be held on Thursdays. Please ensure that your children wear their 'house' colours on this day.

SCHOOL PARKING

Please remember to only park in the designated areas. Parking is not permitted in the turn-around area or the bus zone. Please also be aware that as school has resumed, the 40km per hour speed zone is in effect from 7.00am -9.00am and 2.00pm – 4.00pm. During 2015, spot checks were carried out by the police and we envisage that this will continue this year. The safety of all students and their families is paramount and we ask that all families abide by road rules to ensure the safety of everyone involved.

SCHOOL AUDIT

In March, we will be involved in a whole school audit. Several Education Department employees will be visiting our school and discussing the positive aspects of learning and provide suggestions where improvements can be made.

SCHOOL STUDENT DRESS CODE

Towards the end of 2015, after several meetings and consultation opportunities for parents, a new Student Dress Code was adopted by the P&C. Please ensure that you become familiar with this Code as there have been several changes which are supported by

Education Queensland policies. Consistent non-compliance can result in detentions for students. A copy of the Dress Code is attached for your information.

CLASS SIZES

Classes in 2016 are approaching maximum numbers. We are currently, 5 students below student numbers for attaining of a 6th classroom teacher. As classes are quite full with students, all teachers are trying hard to accommodate requests made by parents. Please be aware that not all requests can be actioned immediately and some may not be possible at all. Final student numbers will be submitted to the Department next Friday. These numbers will be used to ascertain whether a sixth teacher will be provided or not. Please be aware that in the event that we do receive permission for a sixth teacher, students will be moved within classes accordingly.

Current class sizes are:

Prep / Yr 1	22	Mrs Conway
Yr 1 / Yr 2	23	Ms Quast
Yr 2 / Yr 3	24	Miss McGrath
Yr 4 / Yr 5	26	Mrs Ducie / Mrs Simpson
Yr 5 / Yr 6	26	Mrs Porter

As our school was deemed close to the required number necessary for 6 teachers we have been allocated a 6th teacher until Day 8 (February 5th). Mrs Annette Clark will be working across all classes for this period supporting class teachers, especially those involved in Early Start testing.

EARLY START TESTING

Students from Prep to Year 2 will be undertaking Early Start testing over the next several weeks. This testing occurs at the commencement of the year and again at the completion of the school year. Results from testing indicate the growth the student has made within that timeframe. Education Queensland collects the data from the school's OneSchool program. This data is then collated and viewed by Regional staff.

CURRICULUM REVIEW

Throughout the holiday period, staff have been working hard to reorganise the school's mathematics

program. All staff have identified their major content focus for the year and are currently reviewing assessment pieces to be implemented. We are still operating within the guidelines of the Australian Curriculum with all content descriptors being implemented and Achievements Standards being covered. Due to the major focus now being placed on number activities, some content areas will have a greater focus than others. We are also in the process of revising the English Curriculum.

Due to the refocus of the curriculum and implementation, it would be greatly appreciated if any parents who were available could offer some volunteer time within classrooms. Classroom helpers are required for reading groups also.

Students from Year 3 – 6 will now undertake lessons in Civics and Citizenship as part of the Australian Curriculum Implementation phase.

STUDENT LEADERS SPEECHES

In Year 5 and 6 students are learning all about the processes of a democracy and the qualities of leaders in their Civics and Citizenship Unit. The Year 6 students are already in the process of nominating for different leadership roles with campaigning commencing next week. All parents/caregivers are invited to attend the Year 6 speeches which will be held after parade on Friday 12th February. Following speeches, students from Years 4-6 will participate in the voting process to elect our School Leaders and other designated positions.

P&C - Notice of AGM

Monday 8th February, 6.30pm in the Library. All committee positions are declared vacant. Children are welcome but not supervised. For further information regarding positions, please speak to Mel Cash, Sandy Millar or Lisa Plotzki.

Immediately following the AGM will be the first meeting of the year. Please come along and support the P&C. This forum enables parents to have input into decisions made regarding students such as excursions and camps, and fundraising and its expenditure.

Thank you,
P&C Executives



**WARRIORS
RUGBY UNION**

**SIGN ON 2016
Under 6 to Seniors**

**Thursday February 4th and 25th February
5.30pm- 7.30pm**

Get in the game
\$150 Gov
Rebate
(conditions apply)

*Friendly, family club
Only 10 minutes from Jimboomba*

**New Players— please bring a copy
of birth certificate
Govt. Discount Vouchers accepted**

EVERDELL PARK, GLENEAGLE
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**FREE TENNIS DAY AND
SIGN ON**

**SATURDAY 30TH
JANUARY, 2016**

9AM – 12NOON

Join us for a day of Free Tennis and loads more!!
Don't stay in front of the TV watching the tennis! Get out there and
join in the fun! For more information contact Paul at Pro
Performance Tennis on 0402 942 703 or email
admin@properformancetennis.com.au



- HIT THE TARGET!
- JUMPING CASTLE!
- LUCKY DOOR PRIZES!
- FREE COACHING!
- FACE PAINTING AND MUCH MORE!
- JOIN US FOR A GREAT DAY ON THE COURTS!

BEAUDESERT & DISTRICTS TENNIS ASSOCIATION
Bromelton Street,
Beaudesert
**Open Day & Sign On
9am – 12noon**



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SIGN ON FOR 2016

New and Old Players welcome to attend the Beauy Rangers sign on Days for the 2016 season....

Sign on will be held at Beauy Rangers Clubhouse at Selwyn Park

29th January 2016 4.30pm to 6pm

30th January 2016 8am to midday

6th February 2016 8am to midday

Must be born 2009 or later

Bring original or certified copy of Birth Certificate - Players required to attend for ID photo



Parenting Course

Carinity Communities - Illoura is running a parenting program for parents with children 0-18 years starting on 18th February to 31st March, 2016

CORE SUBJECTS

- Lessons from Childhood
- Promoting Social Competence in Children
- Managing Difficult Behaviours

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- Parental Self-Esteem
- Boosting Self-Esteem in Children
- Communication
- Child Development
- Dealing with Change
- Emotional Well-Being



WHEN: Information and Registration
11th February, 2016
10 am to 12 noon

WHERE: Carinity Communities - Illoura
31 Duckett St, Beaudesert

COST: \$25.00 per person
(for the whole course)

To book or for more information phone June on
(07) 5541 1955

**LIMITED NUMBERS
REGISTER QUICKLY**