



# VERESDALE SCRUB STATE SCHOOL

“Caring and Challenging for the Future”

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Newsletter 3



## Term 2 Week 1

Prep	Hunter H
1/2	Owen A, Alena S
3/4	Evie A
5/6	Evangelina N
P.E.	Lucy A
Playground	Miah-Rose J

## Term 2 Week 2

Prep	Bocephus W
1/2	Aurora W, Hudson B
3/4	Anzhelika K
5/6	Kade E
P.E.	Harry D
Playground	Lillian E
Principal	Lucy A

## Term 2 Week 3

Prep	Aviheia K
1/2	Alina H
3/4	Zhanneta K
5/6	Jaxson A, Miah-Rose J
P.E.	Presten B
P'Ground	Willow T
Principal's	Curtis R

## P&C NEWS



As well as the stall, there will be a Mother's Day raffle. Tickets are \$1 each and are available via messenger. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May after Parade.

Next P&C Meeting will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 3.15pm.



We would like to wish all our mums and grandmothers a very **Happy Mother's Day** on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May. We hope you have an enjoyable day with your families.

**INTEGRATED LEARNING TOPIC FOR TERM 2 is  
"FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD"**

**ART** – Students from prep to year 6 unleashed their creativity in an engaging screen-printing art lesson. They learnt how to transfer their imaginative designs onto paper, discovering the artistry behind layering colours and patterns, to create stunning visual artworks.



**RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS** - This Term, Ms Ritchie has commenced teaching Respectful Relationships with each class. This is done in conjunction with the classroom teacher. Our first topic is: Personal and Social Awareness. For Prep, this is looking at the emotions that we experience in different situations. Grade 1 and 2 are looking at emotional responses to safe and unsafe situations. Grade 3 and 4 are studying how stereotypes influence choice and behaviours. Grade 5 and 6 are looking at influences on our personal identity including people, popular culture and the media.

**Prep** – In Prep this term, we have started our procedural writing unit. The students have been so engaged and excited by our Food, Glorious Food unit as we are exploring recipes. So far, we have made apple donuts, fairy bread and fruit kebabs. Come and have a look at the notice board outside our classroom to see all of the wonderful photos of the preps cooking. Through exploring recipes, we are learning what procedural texts look like, their structure, how images have meaning and how to write simple instructions. We have been linking our English unit to our Health unit and discussing healthy foods. Students have been trying a variety of fruits and vegetables and talking about eating 5 serves of veggies and 2 serves of fruit a day. In Maths, we have been exploring sorting and patterning. Students have been sorting objects based

on common characteristics and looking at simple patterns.



**Year 1/2** – Welcome back to another busy term! We welcome Murphy and his family to our class. In the Year 1/2 classroom, we are joining in with the school wide theme of 'Food, Glorious Food!'

**English:** Procedures. We will learn to write instructions, in particular for recipes, which align with our Food Theme. Last week we made jam sandwiches, this week was fruit kebabs. Yum!

**Maths:** Time – hour, half hour, quarter hour, calendars, time duration, Skip Counting.

**Science:** Changes in our environment - weather, day/night, seasons.

**History:** How families and daily life have changed over time.

**Health:** Healthy bodies – taking care of ourselves with healthy food and hygiene.

**Year 3/4** – This term, our class will go on a culinary journey utilising the FEAST program from Oz Harvest. We will explore food waste, healthy nutrition and the creation of procedures and recipes. Students will use their scientific knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to explore and classify different materials. We have commemorated special occasions like ANZAC Day and our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and have learnt about the significance of these and other important celebrations. In Mathematics, students investigated place value and fractions and will be studying time, patterns, skip counting and addition, subtraction and multiplication

strategies. We are looking forward to an exciting and delicious term.

**Year 5/6 - Literacy-** This term, we are focusing on procedural texts. We are participating in learning experiences from the Oz Harvest program deepening our knowledge and understanding of food wastage and sustainability. Every Friday we will be participating in a cooking lesson.

The senior students are also working towards a BBQ where they will be making and serving a food of their choice to their peers. This runs alongside our whole class rewards system that we currently have in place in our classroom.

**Maths-** We are currently covering a range of topics including: Number and Algebra with a primary focus on fractions, decimals and percentages.

Measurement and Geometry- With a primary focus on 24-hour time and timetables, mapping, ordered pairs and transformation.

Statistics and probability- with a focus on outcomes and frequency.

Science- we will be investigating states of matter, liquids, solids and gases and the transition between the different states.

We look forward to a successful term ahead.



**School Photos**



**Thursday 9th May, 9am sharp**

Students/ families will receive a link AFTER their school photos are taken. You will be able to go onto the website and purchase your student photos once we receive the link from Image Photography.

### **125<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April, our school celebrated its 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It was a beautiful day with lots of conversation amongst past and present staff, students and families. The time capsule was dug up by Brian Nutley and Errol Teese and opened by Ms. Ritchie. Another time capsule will be buried and is due to be opened in 2049. The Centenary cake was cut by Mr Arthur Freeman - Veresdale's oldest living past pupil. Classrooms were opened for inspection and an amazing display of old documents, photos and books was available for those who wished to peruse them. The gate prizes were won by Mrs Laurelle Richter and Zed Crawford. None of this would have been possible

without the hard work of the Centenary committee members (Leigh, Brian, Nancy, Errol, Courtney, Sharon and Ang) and the amazing P&C team. Thank you all for your hard work. There are still some souvenir items for sale. Order form attached to this email.

### **KINGFISHER CUP NETBALL**

Training for Kingfisher Cup is being held as per the timetable attached. Times may change if Carly has to work or has other commitments arise, however, she will do her very best to notify everyone as early as possible. If you have any queries, please contact Carly on 0491 041 207 for further information.



### **SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

This Term, we have our athletics carnival. It is held over two days – the 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June.

The 5<sup>th</sup> June is for students 9 years and over who will compete in long jump, high jump, shot put, discus, 200 metres and 800 metres. A Meal Deal fundraiser for the Year 6 students will be held on this day. (Form attached to this email) Younger students will have normal classes on this day, however, teachers may take them out to watch during the events.

The 12<sup>th</sup> June will be our whole school athletics day where students will compete in age sprints, ball games and relays. The P&C will run a meal deal on this day. The tuckshop will be open on both days but running a limited menu. The Meal Deal form is attached to this email.

### **ANZAC DAY**

Our school recently acknowledged ANZAC Day with a service held at school and a representation at the Beaudesert town service. A big thank you to Mrs Morgan for making wreaths for these two events. The Year 6 students ran the school service in a very professional manner and the rest of the



students displayed excellent behaviour. Representatives from the Beaudesert RSL together with Councillor Kerri Cryer attended our service.



Fifteen students were able to attend the town service in Beaudesert on ANZAC Day. The school captains laid a wreath on behalf of the school. Thank you to the parents who were able to bring their children along to the service and to Mrs Jenkins for attending as supervising teacher.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Mondays – even weeks – Music Lessons – all classes + choir (lunchtime)  
 Mondays – Instrumental Music  
 Tuesday – Gifted & Talented groups  
 Wednesday – PE days – all classes  
 Wednesday – Art lessons – all classes



May 9<sup>th</sup> – School Photos  
 May 8,9,10 – Mother’s Day Stall  
 May 14<sup>th</sup> – P&C Meeting  
 June 5<sup>th</sup> – Senior Sports Day  
 June 12<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Sports Day  
 June 18<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Spaghetti Fundraiser  
 June 20<sup>th</sup> – P&C Colour Run Fundraiser – Yr6 Glittery hair fundraiser – gold coin donation  
 July 9<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Bake Sale  
 August 28,29,30 – Father’s Day Stall  
 Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> – Father’s Day Raffle drawn (signed football)  
 Oct 30 to Nov 1 – Year 4 – 6 Camp  
 Dec 6<sup>th</sup> – Graduation Dinner – Year 6  
 Dec 9<sup>th</sup> – Awards Night

### YEAR 4 – 6 CAMP

This year’s camp for the Year 4 – 6 students will be held at Camp Goodenough from October 30 to November 1. Cost per student will be \$250.00 which will be due by October 16<sup>th</sup>. Part payments can be made in advance. Invoices and full information will be emailed shortly.

### Keep your family fire safe

Around 1000 families experience an accidental house fire each year. It’s important to plan to survive a house fire by practising an escape plan with your family and ensuring you have interconnected smoke alarms. To learn more, visit <https://qld.gov.au/HomeFireSafety> May is Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month. Our school joins with all Queenslanders in saying ‘No’ to domestic and family violence. Not all DFV involves physical abuse. Coercive control is a pattern of abusive,



threatening behaviour aimed at controlling another person. For help and resources visit the [Domestic and family violence website](#).



### BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club will only be held on Monday mornings when Chappy Don is in attendance.

## HELPLINES

Family Connect and Intensive  
Family Support – 13 32 64

Lifeline - 13 11 14

Kids Helpline – 1800 551 800

School Guidance Officer – Mrs  
Courtney Ryder. If you would like  
your child to visit with Mrs Ryder,  
please contact the office. She will  
be at Veresdale Scrub school on  
Fridays of odd weeks of each  
term.

School Chaplain – Don Morgan is  
available on Mondays between  
8.30am and 3.00pm.

Are you a parent?



To Better Understand  
Child Development & Design Better  
Interventions

Researchers at UQ are seeking  
Australian parents  
of 3 - 12-year-old children  
to participate in a survey about  
parent and child self-regulation.

If you are interested, please visit:  
<https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/srs/> OR Scan me:



The Parenting and Family Support Centre



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## Take Action

Does your child feel overly fearful, anxious, or worried in certain situations?

Many children can feel anxious, fearful, or worried in certain situations. In most situations this is a normal emotion when faced with something threatening. Everyone can feel anxious from time to time. However, some children experience anxiety more intensely or more often than others and it stops them from having fun, going to school, or getting the most out of their life.

Take Action is an evidence-based program for 7- to 12-year-olds experiencing anxiety. Each child session takes approximately 1 hour, and the program runs over 10-12 weeks (either in-person or online). The program also includes six x 1-hour sessions for parents/carers to provide additional education and support on managing children's anxiety.

All children receive a comprehensive assessment before and after the program, and all child and parent/carer workbooks and materials to practice Take Action skills at home are provided. The project has full ethics approval from the Griffith University Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC: 2023/381).

To find out more information and register to complete an initial assessment over the phone, please email us at [cadrp@griffith.edu.au](mailto:cadrp@griffith.edu.au).



ACC Name: P&C Veresdale Scrub  
BSB NO: 064-400  
ACC NO: 00900348  
REF: Student Name & Meal Deal

Winter Warmer  
**YR 6 FUNDRAISER**  
SPAGHETTI MEAL DEAL \$7.00

TUES 18TH JUNE @ FIRST BREAK  
Mince spaghetti with 2 x piece of garlic bread  
1 x choc chip cookie & 1 x popper

Student Name:

Class:

ALL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY FRIDAY 14TH JUNE - LATE ORDERS NOT ACCEPTED

Forms for  
this will be  
sent home  
soon.