**Week 2 Activities**

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**Weekly Awards**

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**ANZAC Day**

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**PROUDLY SERVING SURAT COMMUNITY**

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Principal's Note
Hello and welcome to my Principal's Note for Week 2.
The past week was filled with various learning experiences throughout the entire school. It is always impressive to observe students actively engaging with their peers, support staff and teachers to make the most of every minute available for improving skills and enhancing knowledge. Well done students!

NAPLAN
On Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 May, students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will take part in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy, or NAPLAN, as it is commonly known.

Skills that will be tested include: reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy.

These tests are done here at school and are considered just another part of the curriculum.

It is important for you and your child to know that NAPLAN is not a pass/fail test. It simply looks at what level students are achieving in literacy and numeracy against National Standards and compared with student peers throughout Australia.

NAPLAN cannot be studied for and students are not expected to do so. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that it is just a routine part of their school program, and to urge them to do the best they can on the day.

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are expected to participate in NAPLAN testing.

Later in the year we will send you an individual student NAPLAN report that you can use to view and monitor how your child is progressing.

More information is available on the NAP website (http://www.nap.edu.au/).

If you have any concerns, please contact the school.

Parent / Teacher Meetings
Parents, please be aware that teachers and the principal require notice regarding meetings. A teachers' time in the mornings before school is very important to their preparation for the day to ensure that student learning is thoroughly planned for. Please make use of the communication devices outlined at the start of the year for each class teacher or make contact via the office. Avoid putting teachers on the spot during drop-off and pick-up times.

School Sport
This weekend is our first home game for School Netball and Rugby League. I trust that it will be a great occasion and that all students will participate and enjoy their games to the best of their abilities.

As you would be aware, Saturday netball and rugby league are school sport events and the expectations around student, parent and spectator behaviour is no different to any other school activity. The school has an obligation to ensure students are supervised effectively and participate to the best of their abilities during training sessions and game days. Attached is the School Sport Code of Conduct for your information.

It is great to have parents and teachers involved in coaching our teams each week to ensure they have the skills to promote ongoing personal development in their game. Thank you and keep up the great work!

Remember, at Surat P-10 State School “we always do our best and treat others with respect”.

Mr Justin Washington
Principal

Playgroup
Wednesday 9am -11am
0-5 Years
Bring morning tea or order tuckshop (orders in by 9am), hat, sunscreen
Gold coin donation
All Welcome!

P&C News
Football/Netball Home Game
Our home games are being held this Saturday, 2nd May. All are welcome to come along to support our students. Football games will be held at the Rec Oval, starting at 9.00am and Netball games will be held at the School, starting at 8.30am. A canteen will be operating at both venues and our thanks go to Helen Price for co-ordinating these.

Thank You
A big thank you to everyone who supported our very successful Easter Raffle this year. And to Kylie Washington who co-ordinated this fundraiser - many thanks!

Next General Meeting
Our next general meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19th May at 3.15pm in the High School Building. The agenda for this meeting includes seeking approval from our members to adopt the new P&C Model Constitution. Please note that the minutes from the previous meeting will not be read at the meeting, except for business arising. If you don’t already receive the minutes via email, and wish to, or would prefer a hardcopy please do not hesitate to contact us.

P&C Committee
ANZAC DAY
On Saturday, 25th April, we met to commemorate Anzac Day. It was a very solemn ceremony filled with reflection and gratitude. Surat State School students did an exceptional job at showing their responsibility and respect during the parade and service. Thank you to those who came on Saturday. It was an excellent turn-out.

Miss Muller & Year 3/4

ANNUAL FLU SEASON VACCINES
The Surat Hospital is running the regular flu clinic. Please phone 4626 5166 to make an appointment if you are eligible for the annual flu vaccine.

Eligible groups for funded influenza vaccination:
• All adults aged 65 years and over
• Pregnant women during any trimester
• Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 15 years and over
• Anyone over 6 months of age with medical conditions predisposing them to severe influenza

Current available dates:
• Monday 4th May
• Wednesday 6th May
• Friday 15th May
• Monday 18th May
• Wednesday 20th May
If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact Karla Harth at the Surat Hospital.

Important Dates

MAY
1st BOOK CLUB DUE
2nd Netball/Football Home Game
7th Cross Country
8th ROMA SHOW HOLIDAY
12th-14th NAPLAN

JUNE
8th QUEENS B’DAY HOLIDAY
23rd NAIDOC Celebration Day
26th LAST DAY OF TERM 2

Expectations of Parents and Spectators
Parents Code of Conduct
• Cooperate with the school to achieve the best outcomes for your child
• Support team and event officials in maintaining a safe and respectful learning environment for all students
• Maintain positive relationships with team officials regarding your child’s learning, wellbeing and behaviour
• Encourage participation by your children.
• Provide a model of good sportsmanship for your child to copy.
• Be courteous and constructive in your communication with players, team officials, game officials and sport administrators.
• Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty.
• Make any new parents feel welcome on all occasions.
• Do not interfere with the conduct of any events.
• Support School Sport Australia’s policy of a smoke and alcohol free environment.
• Behave in a manner that respects the rights of others regardless of mediums of communication used e.g. digital mediums such as twitter, facebook, email and texts

Spectators’ Code of Conduct
• Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour at QSS events.
• Remember children play for enjoyment, please don’t let your behaviour detract from their enjoyment.
• Let game officials conduct events without interference.
• Support skilled performances and team play with generous applause.
• Demonstrate respect for opposing players and their supporters.
• Support our policy of a smoke and alcohol free environment

Consequences for breaches of this code by parents / spectators
Team managers and event organisers may deal immediately with any breaches of this code by warning offenders about their conduct, asking offenders to leave venues, and calling police to intervene where necessary. SWSSB is responsible for imposing any longer term consequences such as written warnings, or barring attendance at future events for a period or indefinitely.

Parents and spectators may be notified orally or in writing of a temporary ban from attending SWSS fixtures until formal processes are conducted by SWSSB to determine complaints under this Code. Parents and spectators will be afforded natural justice in respect of breaches of this code.

Parents and spectators should note that it is an offence to insult (meaning “to treat insolently or with contemptuous rudeness, to abuse”) an officer of a state educational institution in the presence or hearing of students – s.333(2)(b) Wilful Disturbance, of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (EGPA). Breaches of this section of the EGPA may result in a complaint being made to police.
Student of the Week - Week 1

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<th>Lah-ni Denton - For a fantastic effort to use your THRASS chart in your writing. Keep listening for those sounds! Great job!</th>
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<td>Year 1:</td>
<td>Jackson Nolan - For remembering to raise your hand when asking or answering questions</td>
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<td>Year 2:</td>
<td>Ruby Ferrier – For using the Jump Strategy effectively in Maths.</td>
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<td>George Broadhead - For always including others.</td>
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<td>Year 3/4:</td>
<td>Lily Ferrier - For being prompt when asked to listen and showing commitment to her work by being the first person ready with correct equipment each lesson.</td>
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<td>Year 5/6:</td>
<td>Matthew Bradford - For showing great commitment to all class tasks and making a big effort to keep work neat</td>
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<td>Secondary:</td>
<td>Zach Tattam - For representing the school with pride</td>
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Principal’s Award

Bayley Allwood - Following the school's four expectations!

Head Lice

Head lice have been detected in the school. **It is extremely important for you to check your child’s head for head lice TODAY.**

If you do find head lice, commence treatment immediately and be sure to complete the process of treatment. This will help prevent head lice from spreading.

Remember to keep checking your family member’s heads **every 2 days until there are no head lice found for 10 consecutive days.**

Because head lice need close head-to-head contact to spread from one person to another, to reduce the spread of head lice, teachers will discourage students from activities which may involve head to head contact.

To reduce your child’s risk of getting head lice, make sure that long hair is tied up and discourage children from sharing their brushes and combs and having head to head contact with others.

Remember - Anyone can get head lice – they have no preferences for cleanliness, hair colour, hair type, ethnicity or age.

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The Surat RSL Sub-Branch wishes to extend their sincere thanks to the students & teachers of Surat State School for the wonderfully creative and moving artworks that were produced for our Anzac Day dinner display.

The time and care taken to create these moving pieces added to the spirit of this significant Anniversary - you should all be very proud of what you have achieved.

These works are now on show at the Surat Library - please come in and have a look at this amazing display.
Mother’s Day Stall

Mother’s Day is just around the corner and there will be a Mother’s day gift stall at school next week. Students can bring some money to buy a special gift for their mum.

All funds raised will go towards the Mater Foundation and our Community Bridge to Brisbane team “Run for Jake.”

- When: Thursday the 7th of May
- Where: The Auditorium
- Times: 8:30am-8:45am and 11am-11:30am (3rd break)

If you wish to donate any items to the stall please bring them to the front office by Wednesday May 6th.

Thank you 😊

Surat Family Worship Service

- When: 3rd May from 6pm-7pm
- What: Worship, message and supper
- Where: “The Hub” Burrowes Street

All welcome!

For more information please contact Lauren or Emma on 46266521

“God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us”
Romans 5:8

2015 Volunteers’ Week Movie Night

Wednesday, 13 May 2015

Showing ‘The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel’ at Cinema Roma

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE

PLEASE MEET AT THE BELOW LOCATIONS BY 5.30PM:
- Mitchell, Injune, Surat & Yuleba depart from Council Offices &
- Wallumbilla depart from Calico Cottage.

Arrive at Cinema Roma by 6.30pm.

RSVP to your Local Development Officer by 7 May 2015

Evening includes movie entry and complimentary supper and drinks on arrival.

For more information contact your Local Development Officer on 1300 007 662 or visit www.maranoa.qld.gov.au
Run for Jake

Join our Bridge to Brisbane team to raise money for the Mater Foundation and to celebrate the life of our friend Jake Broadhead!

Mater
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How can you support us?

1. Register to walk, jog or run 5km in the Bridge to Brisbane on August 30th 2015
2. Donate to the Mater Foundation via our website

www.b2b2015.everydayhero.com/au/run-for-jake

For more information go to our website or contact Lauren Kealey at Surat State School on 4626 4333 or lkeal4@eq.edu.au