Week 03 Activities
Athletics Carnival
Principal’s Note
Hello and welcome to my Principal’s Note for Week 3.
It was another busy week at Surat State School, with students engaged in classroom experiences, athletics, and a tertiary camp for some Secondary students. As usual, the entire school community has been active in making the most of every opportunity to make a difference in the lives of all students. Well done team, for your ongoing hard work and commitment to our school and students!

Athletics Carnival
It was great to see students participating and competing during the athletics carnival on Monday. Well done to Crothers House for winning the carnival!
Thanks, Mr Macbeth, for organising and making the day a success. Teachers, Staff and Parents, well done and thanks for your support and help throughout the day.
Good luck to all students who will attend the Roma & District Athletics Trial on Monday 10 August.

Reminder
Parents, please be aware that students should not arrive at school before 8:30am unless prior arrangements have been made or specific activities are on. I have noticed a number of students are arriving early. Supervision does not commence until 8:30am.

Late Arrivals
Students arriving late to school (after 8:50am) need to be signed in at the Office by a parent. School begins at 8:50am. Please ensure students arrive to school on time.

Effective Discipline
Discipline means to teach. Effective discipline helps children learn how to get on with others so they can become socially integrated, personally fulfilled members of our community. Discipline involves teaching children sound reasons for acceptable behaviour so they learn to respect another’s rights, while maintaining their self-respect, self-worth and happiness. Discipline therefore is not about punishment. It comes through love, attention, reward and encouragement. Effective discipline helps a child learn self-control, how to deal with BIG feelings, to express emotions appropriately and to learn to take responsibility for emotions.
Many parents recognise that strategies used when we were young are no longer appropriate. We need to learn different skills which reflect the needs of our children and the society they are growing into. Research has provided us with a greater understanding of effective parenting practices, and legislation now supports families finding non-punitive ways of guiding a child’s behaviour.
The effectiveness of discipline comes through a child experiencing copious quantities of love. Children need to know they are an absolutely necessary part of their family, no matter what. From this basis parents can guide their child through setting limits and carry out consequences, while ensuring their child’s sense of self is intact.

Staffing
Next week, Mrs Amalie Price (our former Admin Officer) will be joining us to complete a teaching practicum with the Year 1 Class.
Also, due to my appointment as Manager of the Queensland 12 Years Boys Rugby League Invitational Team, Miss Rhiannon Downie will be the Acting Principal for two weeks commencing Monday 3 August.
See you in a couple of weeks.
Have a great weekend!

Remember, “The Surat State School way is to commit to our learning, strive for excellence and succeed in all we do.”

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

PLAYGROUP

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SEP News

In the Special Education Program (SEP) students have been working very hard and diligently on their Maths, English and Social Skills. We have been incorporating a variety of resources and technologies to ensure that each student can access and study the Australian Curriculum e.g. adjusted hands-on resources, iPads, computers and visuals. In SEP we have been working together with classroom teachers to assist and provide support for students who may need that extra assistance. We strive to provide innovative support systems to help our students master the multi-dimensional abilities required of them to live, learn and participate in the 21st century.

Interesting read from SEP – Inclusive Education

Today I’d thought I would write about inclusive education. In 2002 Education Queensland described inclusive education as “Education for All: A process of responding to the uniqueness of individuals, increasing Presence, Access, Participation, and Achievement in a learning society”. This definition captured important elements of inclusive education but left out the most vital feature….. that the learning “society” or environment in which this process takes place is the general education system, i.e. regular schools and classrooms.

Inclusion is about ALL of us. It includes the following features:

- Inclusion is about living full lives – about learning to live together
- Inclusion treasures diversity and builds community
- Inclusion is about our ‘ability’ – our gifts and how to share them
- Inclusion is NOT just a ‘disability’ issue.

Regular students and students with disability experience inclusive education when:

- They are seen as people first, rather than just as a disability label
- Their capacity to develop and learn is recognised
- Their education occurs in regular settings and with access to the general curriculum
- They are encouraged to lead typical lives
- They are part of regular educational services alongside their peers
- It is recognised that they make a positive and valuable contribution to their schools
- Extra supports and assistance are provided, when necessary, so that they can participate fully in regular educational services.

Inclusion is the way to go as it provides the academic and social outcomes to assist your child in becoming modelled 21st century citizens who live fulfilling lives.

Academic

Academic outcomes from hundreds of individual studies consistently reveal that children educated inclusively made greater academic progress than those who were segregated. Segregated environments still achieved progress but not to the same degree. Additionally, the degree of integration was a significant predictor of progress. The greater the proportion of time a student was included, the greater their performance. This occurred even in the children with the most severe impairments.

Social Impact

Studies have shown that skills in social behaviour are directly related to the degree of integration. Children at segregated schools have fewer friends and tend to see them only when at school. This is not surprising as students at segregated schools travel in from a much larger area than students attending local mainstream school. Those at segregated schools also reported feeling lonelier. Children in general education classrooms have a wider friendship network, composed mainly of non-disabled peers. In mainstream settings social interaction is more often initiated by the child without disability and the extent and pattern of social interactions can be facilitated by adult intervention.

Inclusion

1. It’s the right thing to do (a moral issue)
2. It’s good for the school and essential for society
3. It has long term outcomes: living together starts with learning together
4. It’s good for the child with a disability
5. It’s good for other children and for teachers
6. It doesn’t cost any more overall
7. It’s a worldwide trend
8. It’s policy
9. It’s the law

Yours in Special Education
Mr. Steven Blomdale
Important Dates

AUGUST

10th  R & D Athletics Carnival
11th  ICAS Maths Test
12th  Variety Bash Visit
18th  P & C Meeting - 3:15pm
31-4th Sept  Literacy/Numeracy Week

SEPTEMBER

4-10th  Secondary Sydney/Canberra Camp
17th  End of Term

Tuckshop Roster - Term 3

AUGUST

5th  Karita Ferrier & Shelley Stevenson
12th  NO TUCKSHOP
19th  Kathy Murray & Mel Sutton
26th  Robyn Sims & Michelle Newman

SEPTEMBER

2nd  Julie Schutt & Chris Packer
9th  Chrissy Chandler/Tanya Thompson/Helen Price
16th  Karla Harth & Bre Ziesemer

Tuckshop Price List

Wednesday First Break ONLY

Sausage Roll  $2.50
Tomato Sauce Sachets  $0.25

Pizza
Ham & Pineapple  $2.00
Hot Dog
(Served with Tomato Sauce)  $3.50

Chicken Burger  $4.30
(Lettuce, mayo, cheese, beetroot)

Salad Roll or Sandwich  $3.30
(Ham/Chicken, tomato, lettuce, carrot, beetroot)

Toasted Sandwich  $3.30
(Ham/Chicken, cheese, tomato)

MULTIGRAIN BREAD AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

CHICKEN AND HAM AVAILABLE

SALAD AVAILABLE: LETTUCE, CHEESE, TOMATO, CARROT & BEETROOT

Muffins  $2.00

Frozen Strawberry Yoghurt Cups  $2.00

Juice Poppers
- Apple  $1.50
- Apple & Blackcurrant  $1.50
- Orange  $1.50

Milk 250ml Poppers
- Chocolate  $1.50
- Strawberry  $1.50

Facebook
Don’t forget to stay tuned to our school’s Facebook page.
P&C News

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

The P&C is catering for the Qld Variety Bash when it comes to town on Wednesday 12th August. There will be approximately 380 people involved. In the coming weeks, we will be seeking help from all of our school families to make this fundraising event successful. Help will be required in the way of home baking, preparation/donation of sandwiches, assistance in the setting up and packing up, and serving on the day. If every family is able to help in any way, it will make the whole project easier and will be very much appreciated by all. The Variety Club is making a substantial donation to the P&C which in turn benefits our school and all the students. Thanks in advance for your help.

PS. There will be no tuckshop on this day!

P&C Committee

Student Council - Blue Dress Day

In support for the ‘Run For Jake’ initiative with the aim to raise money for the Mater Foundation, there will be a free dress day on Friday 7th August, 2015. Wear blue and bring a gold coin donation. Bring an additional gold coin for a sausage sizzle on the day. Please show your support for this wonderful cause.

Student Council

1 Kilometre Club - Starting Monday morning
3rd August at 2nd break

Vivo points will be rewarded for being committed and for being safe by wearing a hat. We hope to see you all there.

Mr Macbeth

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Lady of the Flies

William Golding's

Lord of the Flies
Adapted for stage by
Nigel Williams

Warning: Contains violent and ritualistic themes. Years 15 or older.
Dear Parents,

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn
Variety Bash is coming your way!!

The XXXX Gold Variety Bash will be heading through your town soon, so be sure to come and say hello!

WED 12TH AUGUST

Raising money for sick, disadvantaged and special needs kids

CALL 07 3907 9300 FOR MORE INFO OR VISIT WWW.VARIETY.ORG.AU/QLDBASH

Variety Bash...ya gotta do it!
RUN FOR JAKE
COMMUNITY RAFFLE

$2 PER TICKET

Support our Bridge to Brisbane team who are running to celebrate the life of Jake Broadhead. All funds raised go to the Mater Foundation.

Prizes

1. $200 cash prize donated by Margaret and Mark Johnson
2. $200 cash prize donated by The Freeman family
3. $150 basic service voucher for Bayly's Motors Surat
4. $100 Surat Butchery voucher donated by the Surat Gym
5. $100 Inky and Moss gift voucher
6. $50 Timber Crate voucher
7. $50 New Royal Hotel meal voucher
8. $50 voucher for The Pantry
9. Dinner for 2 meal voucher for the Surat Bowls Club
10. Vintage wall clock donated by the Surat Post Office
11. $30 Surat Butchery voucher
12. Gift pack by the Surat Pharmacy

Thank you to our local sponsors:
The Pantry • Surat Bowls Club • The Surat Gym • Inky and Moss
Roma • The Surat Butchery • Freeman Family • The Surat Post Office • The Timber Crate •
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Drawn August 25

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