Weekly Awards

Arts Council

THRASS Training

Health Cultural Sports Afternoon
Principal’s Note

Greetings!

The past week has been very busy and productive. It is very obvious that our school is the “place to be”! The student engagement and level of participation in all school activities is awesome and it is great to see so many parents and teachers going above and beyond to provide meaningful experiences for all students. Well done Team, for your amazing effort and commitment to our students!

Attendance

The 2016 School Attendance Target is 95%, currently our school’s attendance rate is 94.9%. As you can see, the school’s overall attendance rate is on track, but we will need to stay committed to remain on track.

Year to Date Attendance Data: Prep – 92%, Yr 1/2 – 94.95%, Yr 3/4L – 92.52%, Yr 3/4D – 96.4%, Yr 5/6 – 96%, Yr 7/8 – 98.29%, Yr 9/10 – 97.33%.

It is great to see a number of classes exceeding our school’s attendance target. Regular attendance leads to enhanced achievement and learning progress. Let’s ensure all students attend school to reap the rewards of consistent participation and engagement.

Remember, every day counts!

THRASS Parent Information Session

Thank you to the small number of parents for their interest and support in the THRASS Parent Information Session which was provided to support parents with understanding how THRASS is taught to students.

Clean Up Australia Day

Our school will be involved in Community Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday 6 March and you are invited to participate along with your child.

Religious Instruction

We are providing Religious Instruction (RI) for students in Years 1-6 each Thursday. Our school offers the Connect Program delivered by Mrs Lenore Gray on behalf of the local church groups. Students that do not participate in RI are provided with other instruction by their teacher.

The information on your child’s enrolment form is used to place them in either RI or in other instruction, unless you have provided additional written advice to the school.

If we do not already have clear advice from you about your child’s participation in RI please provide this to the school in writing. Appropriate forms are available from the School’s Office.

Thanks

Staff, students and parents, thanks for another tremendous week!

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

Enjoy the weekend!

Mr Justin Washington
Principal

Position Vacant

Expressions of Interest are required for a temporary appointment as School Cleaner from Monday 11 April – 29 April. 3 hours per day.

Please forward your written Expression of Interest and contact details for 2 referees to The Principal at Surat State School before Thursday 17 March.

Please note that you must be eligible for a Working With Children Suitability Card (Blue Card).

Please contact The Principal on 46264333 for further information.

RREAP Funding

The Rural and Remote Education Access Program (RREAP) helps schools and school communities improve the educational outcomes and opportunities of students who are disadvantaged because of their geographical isolation so that students’ learning outcomes match those of other students. RREAP funds are available to assist Queensland state schools and school communities to support and enrich a curriculum that is appropriate for the educational needs of geographically isolated primary and secondary school students. Community-based organisations within the Maranoa Regional Council, working in partnership with RREAP schools to provide extra-curricular programs to school students, are eligible to apply for RREAP funding. Please contact your local school for information about funding & application guidelines.

Playgroup

Our school is hosting a community playgroup on Wednesdays from 9.00-11.00. Playgroup is open to children from 0-5 years of age. At playgroup, parents and caregivers spend relaxed time with their children making friends and support networks. Meanwhile, children develop physically, socially, emotionally and intellectually, as they discover new experiences, gain self-confidence and make new friends too.

For more information, please contact Mrs Sally Broadhead via the School’s Office.

Week 7 School Expectation:

Be Safe - Wear a hat
**Important Dates**

**MARCH**

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**Tuckshop Roster - Term 1**

March

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**Student of the Week - Week 6**

**Prep**

- Ivy Nolan – For displaying enthusiasm and commitment towards all tasks!
- Thomas Sims - For showing respect to your peers and using your manners!

**Year 1/2**

- Lah- ni Denton – For always following teacher instructions and working hard to complete work.
- Tori Price – For showing diligence towards her school work.
- Zara Ziesemer – For being enthusiastic towards her learning.
- Bayley Allwood – For trying his best to complete work and having a positive attitude in class.
- Darcy Harth - For always showing the 4 expectations.

**Year 3/4D**

- Kyran Brown - For always trying hard.

**Year 3/4L**

- Jack Watson – For completing all homework and handing it in on time.
- Nakisha Brown - For completing all homework, setting it out neatly and handing it in on time.

**Year 5/6**

- Jacob Coveney - For always showing commitment towards completing his work.

**Secondary**

- Paul Walsh – For persistence in his learning.
- Tom Watson - For demonstrating initiative in Kitchen Garden.

**Principal Award**

- Mavrick Brown – For always trying his best and being committed!

**Year 3/4D News**

On Monday, 3/4D celebrated the fact that it was the 29th February. We discussed that this date only happens in a leap year which is once every four years. The students worked out how old and which year they would be in the next leap year.

3/4D also wrote about what changes they would see in themselves in four years’ time. Their suggestions included becoming a professional DJ, a daredevil and being at university. Obviously some of our students are going to accelerate their lives!

Every one of our students in 3/4 D are so hardworking that I am sure their dreams will come true!

*Miss Davidson*

**Citizenship Shield Points**

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**Staff Profile:**

Name: Peter Macbeth
Position: High School Maths, ITD, Technologies
Favourite Food: Wombok Salad
Favourite Sport: Tennis
Favourite Subject: Robotics
Hobby: Playing Guitar and Tennis
Words of wisdom: “Gratitude and attitude are not challenges; they’re choices.”

**Thursday Nights**

Green Fees - $7 Sausage Sizzle - $2
Names in by 6:30pm to 46265169
Play 7pm
Everyone welcome
P&C Notice
Battery Muster - Last call for any old/used batteries. These can be dropped off at school or we can collect from you. We need these asap. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

Easter Raffle - Raffle tickets have been sent home to families. Any donations of Easter goodies would be very much appreciated. These can be left at the school office. Thank you in advance for your support.

AGM Notice - Our next meeting will be our Annual General Meeting which is to be held on Tuesday, 22 March at 3.15pm in the High School Building. All executive and officer positions will become vacant and are open for election at our AGM. These positions include; President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tuckshop Co-ordinator, Uniform Co-ordinator, Saturday Sports Representative, QCPCA Representative and Music Representative.

If you are interested in nominating for a position, a Quick Guide for P&C Executive Officers is available on the P&C’s Qld website (www.pandcsqld.com.au) and provides an overview of executive positions.

Memberships - All memberships will expire at our AGM. New Membership Application Forms for 2016, along with the code of conduct, are included in the newsletter. If you wish to become a member please complete these prior to the AGM. They may be left at the school office. Becoming a member of the P&C is a great way to show your support for our organisation and the work that it does to support the School and our Students.

P&C Committee
Contact - candjschutt@bigpond.com

SURAT PONY CLUB
The Surat Pony Club is having its Sign on Day and first Rally Day for the year. We invite anyone wishing to join to come along and participate.

Memberships will need to be filled in and Paid for on the day.

Membership Costs: $40.00 a Riding Member & $35.00 Non Riding.

Date: Sunday 20th March 2016
Where: Surat Show Grounds
Time: 8.30am

For further information please contact
President: Danni Bright-0428 585 829
Secretary: Ali Rollinson-0427 265 506
Treasurer: Stacey Murray-0413 729 629

P&C Easter Multi-Draw Raffle
The P&C are once again fundraising with the ever popular Easter Multi-Draw Raffle. Any donations of chocolates, Easter eggs or the like would be greatly appreciated. Donations need to be dropped into the school office no later than Wednesday 23rd March.

Attached to this week’s newsletter is a booklet of tickets. If you would like extra tickets they will be available from the school office.

This is quite a ‘hassle free’ way of raising funds for each of our students, so please join in the fun and show your support!

If you have any questions please contact the school office – 4626 4333

Please join us for an Easter Bonnet Parade!
Thursday March
23rd 2016
2:30pm at the Big Shed
Students are encouraged to bring along and parade their Easter Bonnets.
# Surat State School Uniform Orders

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PLEASE RETURN ORDER FORM IN A SEALED ENVELOPE WITH MONEY BY:

18th MARCH, 2016

*******PLEASE NOTE*******

- OLD STYLE SCHOOL POLO SHIRTS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR A DISCOUNTED PRICE OF $15.00.
- GIRLS YR 7-10 BLOUSES ARE AVAILABLE FROM HANNAS IN TOOWOOMBA. (ASK FOR SURATSTATESSCHOOL CHECKED BLOUSE) TO BE WORN WITH NAVY SKIRT/SKORTS.
- UNFORTUNATELY, SECONDARY BOYS SHIRTS ARE ONLY AVAILABLE IN PACKS OF 4, HOWEVER YOU MAY WANT TO SHARE A PACK IF SOMEONE ELSE REQUIRES THE SAME SIZE.

PLEASE CONTACT CHRISSY CHANDLER – 0428265251 - ac_chandler@hotmail.com
COMMIT  EXCEL  SUCCEED

4th March, 2016
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**Surat**

**Clean Up Day 2016**

The Surat Fishing & Restocking Club are hosting

**Clean up Australia Day In Surat on**

6 March, 7am

Surat Riverside Parklands, Marcus Street, Surat
Meet for a BBQ breakfast before commencing Clean Up Australia Day.

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**Cobb & Co Store Museum Exhibition**

‘The Wealth of Warroo: A History of Surat & Surrounds’

You’re invited to step back in time to view the new Cobb & Co Store Museum exhibition in Surat and celebrate the launch of the book -

‘The Wealth of Warroo: A History of Surat & Surrounds’

Available for purchase on the night.

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**Maranoa Regional Council**

Friday, 4 March
at 5.30pm
Cobb & Co Changing Station,
Burrowes Street,
Surat.
Complimentary nibbles and drinks will be provided.

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**Kirstin Albeck Memorial**

**9’s Day**

Raising money to support our community

Venue: Gallas Fox Park, Roma
Date: Saturday 5 March 2016
Time: TBA til late
Cost: Adults $5.00
Under 15 Gold Coin

In memory of Kirstin Albeck and her courageous battle with Ewing Sarcoma.

Join us for an action packed day of football, including an old boys rivalry match between Wallumbilla Herefords & Wattles Tigers.

There will be a jumping castle for the kids and music til late.

The canteen and bar will be operating throughout the day.

$3500 in prize money
1st Place $3000 and 2nd Place - $500

Raising money to help Owen ‘Bodie’ Lingard, a local football legend fighting his battle with Wegener’s Granulomatosis.
Roma - Strade Rosso
Ankle Biters Challenge

Good Friday 25th March 2016
10am-12pm Roma State College Middle Campus Oval

Run in heats, best overall times at the end of the day win a prize!
Come and try your best! Register on the day $5 per turn and enter as often as you like!
Prizes include:
$50 - 1st
$30 - 2nd
$20 - 3rd

Ages 5 & Under

Best Dressed Bike wins a prize!

Further details to be found by:

All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Maranoa Wildlife Carers and Education Centre, a not-for-profit volunteer organisation caring for sick, injured and orphaned native wildlife in the Maranoa Region.

Roma - Strade Rosso
Cycle Challenge

50km relay
(two teams of 2, 3 or 4)
25 March 2016 (Good Friday)

Enter a ‘work’ team! All wheels welcome!

For more information or an entry form, please contact the BOOBOOK office on 07 46223446, email maranoawildlifecsec@boobook.biz, or message us via Facebook www.facebook.com/MWCC/ or follow our journey on Instagram www.instagram.com/mwccc/

All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Maranoa Wildlife Carers and Education Centre, a not-for-profit volunteer organisation caring for sick, injured and orphaned native wildlife in the Maranoa Region.
CODE OF CONDUCT FOR P&C ASSOCIATION

This Code of Conduct clarifies the expected standards of all P&C Association members. It has been adopted to aid all members of our school community to work as a cohesive group in partnership with the school.

The Code is intended to promote and maintain the highest standard of ethical behaviour by P&C Association members. Members of a P&C Association should adhere to the Code of Conduct at all times. This Code applies to each member of a P&C Association.

P&C Association members are to:

• act in the best interest of the total school community at all times
• conduct and present themselves in a professional manner and act ethically and with integrity at all times
• act with courtesy and demonstrate respect for all persons, whether fellow P&C Association members, school staff, parents/carers, students, community members
• remain objective and avoid personal bias at all times
• represent all members of the school community
• engage the school and wider community in developing and effecting school priorities, policies and decisions in a manner that is consultative, respectful and fair
• declare any conflicts of interest and not misuse their office to advance individual views or for personal gain
• make fair, transparent and consistent decisions
• provide objective and independent advice
• listen and be tolerant of the views and opinions of others, even if those views and opinions differ from their own
• treat official information with care and use it only for the purpose for which it was collected or authorised
• respect confidentiality and information privacy (about the school, community members, staff or students) at all times and not disclose confidential information
• not use confidential or privileged information to further personal interests
• be responsive to the requirements of the school community
• seek to achieve excellence in educational outcomes for all students at the school
• listen and respond to issues and concerns regarding strategy and policy
• work within the boundaries of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, the Education (General Provisions) Regulation 2006 and the Department of Education and Training’s policies and procedures relevant to P&C Association operations.
Application for P&C Membership for 2016
Surat State School P&C Association

Please complete and return to the P&C Secretary

Name:
Address:
Home phone:
Mobile phone:
Email address:

I am:
● a parent of a student attending the school
● a staff member of the school
● an adult interested in the school’s welfare, and my date of birth is:__________.

I am:
● applying for new membership
● renewing my membership.

I apply for membership in the Surat State School Parents and Citizens’ Association and I undertake to:

a) promote the interests of and facilitate the development and further improvement of the School and the good order and management of the School; and

b) comply with the constitution of the P&C Association, including the P&C Association Code of Conduct as specified in Schedule 2 of the constitution, and any valid resolutions passed by the Association.

If a person has been convicted of an indictable offence, it is grounds for removal in accordance with the Education (General Provision) Act 2006.

Signature:........................................................................................................

Date: ..................................................................................................................

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