Pre Athletics Events
21st July, 2016

Principal’s Note
Welcome to my Principal’s Note for Week 2.

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of Week 2. The days and weeks seem to be disappearing at a very fast rate.

The past week has been another jam-packed period of teaching and learning. Students and staff have once again, made the most of the learning opportunities at our great school. I am very proud of the working relationships that have been developed and are always on display between students, staff, parents and the community of Surat. It is truly an awesome school and community to be working and learning in.

School Opinion Survey
School Opinion Survey information was sent via an attachment to last week’s newsletter. Your feedback is very important to the ongoing management of the school. Online surveys opened for completion on Monday 11 July and close on Friday 29 July.

2017 Saturday Sport
The following will provide a background to the current situation with the Saturday School Netball and Rugby League Competitions.

At the Maranoa Alliance of State School (MASS) Principals Meeting held 06 February 2015, the following conjoint agreement was tabled:

All principals are supportive of providing a range of quality sporting opportunities for students through the delivery of the following model: From 01 January 2016, Roma & District Schools will deliver an increased number of sports aligned with the Australian Curriculum, maximizing opportunities for students to participate in a broader range of sporting opportunities. Roma and District State Schools will collaborate with MRC & community groups to transition Saturday Rugby League and Netball into a non-school managed model. This will allow community based sporting organisations to specialize in the delivery of quality Rugby League and Netball competitions to all age groups in line with the prospective charters of a newly formed Roma and District Junior Rugby League and Junior Netball Associations and other sporting associations.

The following reflects that MASS Principals:

- Highly value and respect the traditions of Saturday School Sport in the Roma District.
- Recognise the longevity of the practice and honour those educators and community members, past & present, who have contributed to ensure that students have had access to participation within Rugby League & Netball.
- Identify that past practices of teachers managing Saturday School Sport can no longer be sustained due to industrial and union mandates.
- Fully support school sport and are committed to ensuring that every student is provided access to a quality sporting program including a wider range of sport than what is currently on offer.
- Ensure that school sport is aligned with the Australian Curriculum.
- Ensure that teachers’ rights and wellbeing are respected and Industrial Relations reflected.
- Fully support and are prepared to work in consultation & collaboration with community groups to develop future models of Saturday Sport delivery (Rugby League & Netball) in preparation for the 2017 season.

Netball
The great news is that at this stage, Schools have collaborated with Maranoa Netball Association and have established a plan for a Saturday Junior Netball Program to commence in 2017. Maranoa Netball Association are committed to ensuring that all junior netball players are provided with the opportunity to participate in a quality netball and development program. The only condition is that a strong and committed sub-committee needs to be formed to ensure the 2017 Junior Netball Program is run effectively. Positions to be filled to ensure the Junior Netball Program will commence in 2017 are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Fixtures Convenor, Canteen Coordinator, Coach and Umpire Coordinator. It is also expected that a representative from Wallumbilla, Surat, Mitchell, Roma and Injune will be part of the sub-committee.

At this stage, the program will differ in the way players will participate. For example, teams or clubs will not need to be formed and nominated, players will register under Maranoa Netball Association and teams will be formed to participate in the program in a central location which will be Roma, and in time, be making full use of the proposed new Netball Complex at Bassett Park. The program will be open to any player within Roma and District and may extend to players outside of our district who don’t have access to regular Netball programs e.g., Wandoan, Taroom, Miles, Teela, Glenmorgan etc.

On Saturday 3rd September, a meeting will be held at the White Bull Tavern from 12:30pm to form a Sub-Committee to operate under Maranoa Netball Association. If you are interested in being involved with Junior Netball or would simply like more information, please attend this meeting or make contact with the Principal or the Maranoa Netball Executive.

Rugby League
Negotiations around how Saturday Junior Rugby League will be run from the beginning of 2017 are currently underway. State schools are currently working with key people within their respective communities to ensure all children will have the opportunity to play rugby league in 2017 and beyond. At this stage, Mitchell Magpies as a club and St John’s as a school will be part of the 2017 competition. Wallumbilla, Surat and Yuleba will be forming a combined Junior Rugby League Club with the possibility of Injune joining as well. Roma State College have indicated that a club will be formed to participate in the 2017 competition.

All interested parents are encouraged to contact the Principal to find out how they can be involved to support.

There will be Saturday Rugby League and Netball for our kids.

P & C
The first P & C Meeting for Term 3 will be held on Tuesday 26 July from 3:15pm. Your attendance and participation is very important to our school and students. See you there!

Thanks
Thank you to everyone for another awesome week at Surat State School.

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

Enjoy the weekend!

Mr Justin Washington
Principal
P&C News

Athletic Day

The P&C will be holding a sausage sizzle lunch on Friday at Athletics Day. There will only be a sausage sizzle, water & poppers available, so please remember to bring your own morning tea and snacks. Lunch will be from 11am-12pm.

Next Meeting

Our next general meeting will be held on Tuesday 26th July at 3.15pm in the High School Building. All welcome.

P&C Committee

FOOTBALL - 23rd July 2016

Under 8 - Junior Campus 9:45am Surat vs MITW
Under 10 - Middle Campus 9:45am BYE
Under 12 - Middle Campus 10:30am Surat/RSCB vs STJW - Eastern Field

Playgroup

Monday 9am -11am
0-5 Years
Bring morning tea, hat, sunscreen
Gold coin donation - All Welcome!

Tuckshop Roster

July
28th Julie Schutt / Deanna Freeman

August
3rd Chrissy C / Tanya T / Helen P
10th Ali P / Erica / Donna C
17th Karla Harth / Bre Ziesemer
24th Michelle Newman / Robin Sims
31st Julie Schutt / Deanna Freeman

September
7th Suzie Barber / Penny Peterson
14th Chrissy C / Tanya T / Helen P

Important Dates

JULY
22nd ATHLETICS DAY
25th Positive Parenting Program - 9am
26th P & C Meeting - 3:15pm

AUGUST
15th Positive Parenting Program - 9am
29th Positive Parenting Program - 9am

Facebook

Don’t forget to stay tuned to our school’s Facebook page.

School Attendance Award

Prep

Storm Boy by Year 5/6

Students have begun reading and analysing the novel Storm Boy by Colin Thiele. This week students are watching the film to identify how the producer adapted parts from the novel. Students have identified the message within the novel which establishes the importance of protecting the environment and animals. The novel enables students to develop an extensive knowledge of expanding vocabulary, language features and figurative language. Students have found examples of this such as; “little bundles of dark down as soft as dusk” – simile, “thrown up by the wind and the wild waves” – personification, “a long skimming splash, shook his wings” – alliteration. Students have developed character profiles for Storm Boy, Hide-Away Tom and Fingerbone Bill. This encourages students to gain a deeper understanding about each character’s personal traits.

Miss Muller
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**200m (10yrs+)**

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