Weekly Awards

Beach to Bush
Principal’s Note
Welcome to my Principal’s Note for Week 7.
The past week was another busy period for all school community members. Thank you to the team for continuing to turn up each day with a strong commitment to ensuring every student, every day in every classroom is succeeding.

Attendance
The 2016 School Attendance Target is 95%, for Week 6 our school’s attendance rate was 92.7%.
Week 6 Attendance Data: Prep – 65%, Yr 1/2 – 95.56%, Yr 3/4L – 100%, Yr 3/4D – 93.85%, Yr 5/6 – 96.36%, Yr 7-10 – 98%.
Attendance Trophy for Week 6 – Well Done Yr 3/4L!
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. Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year.

School Review
On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, our school engaged in a School Review. During the review process, two reviewers conducted interviews with a range of staff, students, parents and community members to determine which areas required improvement. A report and summary of the findings will be provided in the near future and will be placed on the school website.

I am very proud to say that we are certainly on the right track and only minimal fine tuning of a small number of areas needs some attention in the future. The recommendations and affirmations will provide direction in the development of our next Four Year Plan which will be created before the end of 2016.

Gala Day
All students from Year 3 to 6 are invited to attend a Netball and Cricket Gala Day at Wandoan State School on Tuesday 13 September. The purpose of this day is to promote physical activity with a focus on participation and having fun while playing sport.

Our students will have the opportunity to enjoy a fun day of developing skills, engaging with students from outside of our school and playing sport.

We have arranged a bus to transport all students and staff to and from Wandoan for the day. A small fee of $10 per student is required to assist with transport costs.

Please return the Expression of Interest slip which was sent home earlier this term or contact the School Office so we can book a suitable bus. Thanks to those of whom have already returned the slip.

NAPLAN
Earlier this term, 2016 Student NAPLAN Reports were sent home for all students who participated in the 2016 test. It is great to see that our school’s NAPLAN achievement is continuing to trend in a positive direction. We are beginning to see more consistent percentages of students at or above the National Minimum Standard. Below is a snapshot of the school’s achievement percentages and also a comparison to the Nation and Queensland State Schools over previous years. Well done to all students, staff and parents for the ongoing work and support around education.

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
**Tuckshop Roster**

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**Facebook**

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

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**Playgroup**

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

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**The Great Book swap**

Leading up to Literacy and Numeracy Week, we are asking students to give any books they would like to donate or swap. Students may bring in books during week 7 before school (from 8:30am) to Year 5/6 classroom.

The Great Book Swap will begin in week 8 for Literacy and Numeracy Week. Students are able to come in and choose a book for a gold coin donation from the Year 5/6 classroom. Proceeds go towards The Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

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**Student of the Week - Week 6**

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<td>For participating in every learning experience with enthusiasm and commitment!</td>
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| Year 1/2 | Nate Freeman | For being 100% committed to assessment and class work.  
|         | Jackson Nolan | For using incredible descriptions within your retell- fantastic work! |
| Year 3/4D | Jorja Murray | For always being respectful to younger students.  
| Year 3/4L | Jack Watson | For working diligently in Geography.  
| Year 5/6 | Jacob Coveney | For working extremely well to complete his English assessment and utilising information in the assessment effectively.  
| Secondary | Abbey Coveney | For demonstrating perseverance towards complex mathematics problems. |

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**Surprise! Father’s Day Gift!**

Year 5/6 are going to be making a food based gift Thursday 1st September for sale at first break. Please bring $4 if you wish to buy this gift. Please see teachers for more information regarding what the gift is. All proceeds will go toward Kitchen Garden.

Miss Muller

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**Citizenship Shield Points**

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**Literacy & Numeracy Week/ Book Week**

**Book Parade**

“Australia”

We invite you to transform into your favourite book character with an ‘Australian’ theme for Book Week Parade, to be held in Literacy & Numeracy Week.

Date: Friday 2nd September 2015  
Time: 9am  
School Auditorium  
Don’t forget to bring your favourite book along with you!  
All welcome!

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**Expression of Interest**

All interested persons are invited to attend a special meeting which will be held at Surat State School on 30 August 2016 at 5.00pm. The purpose of this meeting is to consider the requirements of setting up a combined Wallumbilla/Surat/Yuleba Junior Rugby League Club. It is planned to also elect office bearers and to establish a committee to oversee the establishment of this club during Term 4, in readiness for the 2017 Roma and District Junior Rugby League competition. This is a wonderful opportunity to be involved for community people interested in promoting football for our youth in our local area. More information is available by contacting Principals of Surat, Yuleba or Wallumbilla State Schools.
P&C News

Cake Stall - Saturday 27th August - Riverside Markets - 7am
Donations of cakes, slices, biscuits or you may have home-grown produce - eggs, lemons, oranges, mandarins or jams, chutneys - any items would be very much appreciated! These can be brought along on the morning or left at the school office before 3pm this Friday 26th August. Please note that the market starting time has changed back to a 7am start. Thank you in advance for your support. The Student Council are also running a stall at the markets, so please come along to support the students!

Prawn Night
Our major fundraiser for next year will be a Prawn Night to be held on Saturday 18th February 2017. We are currently forming an organising committee for this event. At this stage we still require more volunteers for the organising of this event to progress. If you would like to be part of this committee or would like to contribute in some way, please contact Bre via email kentbrez@gmail.com. Thank you for your interest and help in advance.

Next Meeting
Our next general meeting will be held next Tuesday 30th August at 3.15pm in the High School Building. All welcome.

P&C Committee

Important Dates

AUGUST
29th  Positive Parenting Program - 9am
       Year 7/8 Vaccinations
29th-2nd  National Literacy & Numeracy Week

SEPTEMBER
1st  Arts Council - 2pm
2nd  Book Week Parade - 9am
16th  End of Term 3

OCTOBER
3rd  PUBLIC HOLIDAY
4th  School Resumes
18th-24th  Book Fair

NOVEMBER
23rd  Celebration Night

********DATE CLAIMER******

SATURDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2017

P&C Major Fundraiser

PRAWN NIGHT
with cold meats & salads

BAR
LIVE BAND
AUCTION

More information to follow

COMMIT  EXCEL  SUCCEED
26th August, 2016

**NBN IN SURAT!**

nbn is encouraging local residents and businesses to come along and try out the Sky Muster™ powered free Wi-Fi and see for themselves the speeds they will be able to access on the nbn™.

**What is the nbn™ network?**
The nbn™ network is Australia’s new landline phone and internet network. It’s designed to provide you with access to all the benefits of fast and reliable internet services, wherever you live.

**Who is nbn co?**
nbn co limited (nbn) is a government business entity, the team behind the nbn™ network rollout. We are responsible for providing wholesale services to landline phone companies and internet service providers who offer nbn plans for homes and businesses. As a wholesaler, nbn does not sell directly to the public.

**What is Road Muster?**
The impressive looking, high-tech vehicle pictured above, dubbed Road Muster, will be rolling into town carrying a portable satellite antenna that will allow locals to get hands-on with services over the nbn™ network via a Wi-Fi hotspot powered by the Sky Muster™ service.

The converted four-wheel drive Ford Ranger features a carbon-fibre satellite dish capable of finding and transmitting broadband from a Sky Muster™ signal anywhere in Australia.

It is equipped with two large touch-screen television/computers, carries its own power source and is designed to reach the most remote parts of the country in the most rugged terrain.

**Where can I visit Road Muster?**
You can visit the Road Muster satellite vehicle at the following:

- **Date:** September 1, 2016
- **Time:** 2pm-3:30pm
- **Where:** Surat State School, Cordelia Street
RIVERSIDE MARKETS
Riverside Parklands, Marcus St
SURAT
7am to 12 noon

Saturday ~ 27th August
Home cooking (Surat SS P&C) • Handmade Jewellery & crafts
Free Health checks & info with Surat Hospital
Pottery • Tilleys & Rawleighs • Forever Living • Quilting
Books • Birds • Bling on Wheels • Second hand goods
Lions Club of Surat • Pro-ma range of products
Surat SS Student Council • Surat Pottery group • Surat QAS

BBQ Breakfast cooked by
Surat Family Daycare Parent Committee
Tea & Coffee • Cold drinks • Wendy’s Pies

MEAT TRAY RAFFLES
with sincere thanks to SURAT BUTCHERY for their support

For bookings contact 0439 718 340

by the community, for the community

Spirit of the River Festival Inc., PO Box 30, SURAT Q 4417
suratmarkets@gmail.com | www.spiritoftheriver.webs.com
JERSEY DAY is a simple concept designed to raise awareness of The Organ and Tissue Authority and the DONATE LIFE network.

On September 2 we are asking schools and workplaces across Australia to allow students and employees to wear their favourite sporting jersey to school or work to show their support for the DONATE LIFE network and begin the conversation with their friends and families about Organ Donation.

JERSEY DAY has been inspired by the story of NATHAN GREMDO who was tragically lost in an accident in May 2015. Nathan's family chose to give the gift of life to others to honour the legacy of Nathan's generous personality.

This campaign is all about raising awareness. Simply wear your favourite sporting jersey to school or work on Friday September 2 2016 and show your support for this cause.

DISCOVER
the facts about organ and tissue donation

DECIDE
about becoming a donor and register online

DISCUSS
your decision with the people close to you

Please visit www.donatelifegov.au for more information about how you can help to save a life.