Celebration Night
Principal’s Note
Hello and welcome to my Principal’s Note for Week 8.
This week has been a great week of celebration for our whole school community. On Wednesday evening we were all treated to the special skills and talents from within our school. What a wonderful showcase from our awesome students with their class performances.

Attendance
The 2016 School Attendance Target is 95%, for Week 7 our school’s attendance rate was 93.6%. Week 7 Attendance Data: Prep – 85%, Yr 1/2 – 94.44%, Yr 3/4 – 91.67%, Yr 5/6 – 96.36%, Yr 7-10 – 88%.
Highest attendance for Week 7: Year 5/6! 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.

Celebration Night
As you know, our school’s Celebration Night is a night where we celebrate and reward student achievement and success. Well done to all students for your hard work, commitment to school and always doing your best.
Below is the list of awards and recipients from Wednesday evening:
Bill Dehnert Award – Emma Packer
Encouragement Award Year 7 – Emma Packer
Encouragement Award Year 8 – Noah Walsh
Year 7 Class Academic Award – Abbey Coveney
Year 8 Class Academic Award – Matt Sutton
Year 9 Class Academic Award – Tom Watson
Alfred Dean Memorial Award – Emma Packer
RSL Len Waud & Bill Eames Bursary – Jarod Mundy
Gordon Neill Award Mathematics – Emma Packer & Jarod Mundy
Ethel & Pauline Neill Award English – Abbey Coveney & Tom Watson
Science Award – Abbey Coveney & Tom Watson
Telgazlie Schwennesen Family Award Humanities & Social Sciences – Emma Packer & Tom Watson
Crane Family Award The Arts – Abbey Coveney
H.P.E. Award – Abbey Coveney & Tom Watson
Industrial Technology and Design Award – Matt Sutton
Kitchen Garden Award – Thomas Schutt
Dux of the School – Jarod Mundy
Encouragement Award Prep – Gemma Dean
Encouragement Award Year 1 – Chloe Cameron
Encouragement Award Year 2 – Zara Zeisemer
Encouragement Award Year 3 – Nakisha Brown
Encouragement Award Year 4 – Bella Harth
Encouragement Award Year 5 – Iva Price
Encouragement Award Year 6 – Ellie Watson
Class Academic Award Year 1 – Ella McLean
Class Academic Award Year 2 – Sam Schwennesen
Class Academic Award Year 3 – Will Chandler
Class Academic Award Year 4 - Emily Coveney
Class Academic Award Year 5 – Harry Packer
Class Academic Award Year 6 – Thomas Schutt
School Vision Award Prep – Ivy Nolan
School Vision Award Year 1/2 – Nate Freeman
School Vision Award Year 3/4 – Hannah Packer
School Vision Award Year 5/6 – Jacob Coveney
Graham Raff Award – Dakota Podham
Jake Broadhead Memorial Medal – Emily Coveney
Instrumental Music Award – Thomas Schutt
The Arts Award – Tori Price
R.S.L. Excellence Award – Will Chandler
CJ Butler Memorial Award – Nikita Proud
Debbie and Wayne Wehl Sportsperson Encouragement Award – Jacob Coveney
QGAP Primary Citizenship Award – Luke Thompson
The Mary Dangerfield Memorial Award – Thomas Schutt
SW Sports Representation – Thomas Schutt
Technology Award – Lucy Schwennesen
Attendance Award – Luke Thompson
Principal Awards – Evie Chandler, Pip Proud, Ava Washington, Tyler Elliot, George Broadhead, Alex Freeman

Parent Teacher Interviews
All parents are encouraged to make an interview time with class teachers over the final two weeks of school to discuss development, achievement and progress made by their children. Bookings can be made directly with teachers.

Report Cards
Report cards for Semester 2 will be issued and sent home with students on Thursday 8 December.

P & C Meeting
Our next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 29 November at 3:15. Your attendance and participation is most welcome. See you there!

Thanks
Thank you to all, for another fabulous week at our great school!

Remember, “The Surat State School way is to commit to our learning, strive for excellence and succeed in all that we do.”
Mr Justin Washington
Principal
**Tuckshop Roster**

**NOVEMBER**

30th Michelle Newman/Robin Sims

**DECEMBER**

7th NO TUCKSHOP

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**Swimming Carnival News**

Swimming carnival had it all, thanks so much for everyone who came along and participated in their events and spectators who the students. This was our last major carnival for the year and I am looking forward to what 2017 brings in the sporting arena. The results are as follows:

- Overall - Crothers
- Junior Boys - Alec Ziesemer
- Junior Girls - Lacey Harth
- Senior Boys - Matt Sutton
- Senior Girls - Abbey Coveney and Emma Packer

Age Champions

- 7yrs Girls - Zara Ziesemer
- 7yrs Boys - Darcy Harth
- 8yrs Girls - Jorja Murray
- 8yrs Boys - Jackson Nolan
- 9yrs Girls - Jadee Denton & Hannah Packer
- 9yrs Boys - George Broadhead
- 10yrs Girls - Lacey Harth
- 10yrs Boys - Alec Ziesemer
- 11yrs Boys - Harry Packer
- 12yrs Girls - Emma Packer
- 12yrs Boys - Luke Thompson
- 13yrs Girls - Abbey Coveney
- 13yrs Boys - Matt Sutton
- 14yrs Boys - Riley Dehnert

Sportmanship (all 3 major carnivals)

William Chandler

Thanks once again to everyone who made our Swimming Carnival a great success. Well done and I’ll see you in 2017.

Mr Robinson

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**P & C News**

**Thank you - Home Timber & Hardware Roma!**

The Roma Home Timber & Hardware store recently donated an esky to the Surat State School P&C. The P&C have been in need of an esky for use at fundraising events for quite sometime. We are very grateful to Home Timber & Hardware for their very generous donation. It is very much appreciated. Thank you for supporting our students and our school.

P&C Committee

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**High School News**

As we are fast approaching the end of the year, the High School students are busy completing their final assessment pieces. In Humanities we are looking at ways to improve the liveability of Surat and the interconnections between people and places involved in the manufacturing of a product from a Multinational Corporation. In English we are turning a poem into a multimodal presentation and identifying the audience and purpose of an Editorial Cartoon. We look forward to a productive end to Term 4. Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Nolan

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**Important Dates**

**NOVEMBER**

28th Prep Information Session 9am-10:30am

29th P & C Meeting @ 3:15pm

**DECEMBER**

1st-2nd Prep-Year 2 Camp

8th Reports Sent Home

9th END OF TERM

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**Barefoot Bowls**

Every Thursday Night
Surat Bowls Club
Names in by 6.30pm
Play 7pm
All Welcome

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**Carols by Candlelight**

**Sunday 4 December 2016**
6pm Sausage Sizzle
7pm Carols
Surat State School Multi Purpose Shed

**Gold Coin Donation**
Gnome Candle Provided

*Local Music and Christmas Items by
Surat State School Students!*

Proudly sponsored by the Surat Church Groups and Surat Butchery

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**Surat Community Christmas Carnival**

Supported by the Surat Local Ambulance Christmas Carnival Committee

**Saturday 3rd December**
Surat Recreation Grounds from 6pm

*I’ll see you there!*

- Live Entertainment by Amanda Faulkner
- Ham wheels + Bar & BBQ
- Ice cream van + Fresh donuts
- Hot chips + Cold drinks
- Lucky envelopes
- FREE jumping castle
- Merry-go-round and train rides

*This event has been supported by the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services Community Engagement Support Package. Maranoa Regional Council received funding from the Queensland Government to promote social events and attract specific information to maintain within the Maranoa region.*

Fremt info: Jar Hancock on 1300 007 667

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**Toowoomba Base’s 10th Birthday Party**

*You’re Invited*

**Saturday 10 December, 10am – 2pm**

**Riverside Markets**

**Saturday 26th November**
7am to 12 noon
Riverside Parklands, Marcus St, SURAT

**STALL HOLDERS WANTED**

POWERED SITES NOW AVAILABLE

- ARTS & CRAFTS
- HANDMADE JEWELLERY
- PLANTS & JARS & PRESERVES
- 2ND HAND GOODS
- KNICK KNACKS & OTHER GIFTS
- HOME COOKING
- BBQ BREAKFAST
- TEA & COFFEE
- COLD DRINKS

**WIN $150 MARKET MONEY**

To be spent on the day*

A: Tickets are sold at the door up to the market & on the day at a cost of $1 per ticket
B: The winner will be drawn at random at the end of the day, 12 noon, on the 26th November
C: The winner will be present at the events closing ceremony*

(see website for full details)

2ND CHANCE DRAW

2 x $30 Meat Trays from Surat Butchery

The winner does not need to be present at the draw to claim the prize

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**FOR BOOKINGS & INFO**

**Contact 0439 718 340**

By the Community, for the Community

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*COMMIT EXCEL SUCCEED*
22 November 2016

Dear Parents/Caregivers, players and community members

It is with great pleasure to announce that Maranoa Netball Association will take over the running of the Roma and District Schoolgirl Netball Competition from 2017. Maranoa Netball Association was established in 2011 with the aim of giving rural children the opportunity to represent their region at local and state carnivals. Since its inception in 2011, Maranoa Netball has had notable success on and off the court and are looking forward to running a local junior competition in 2017.

Maranoa Netball Association has worked with various school representatives and community members and decided for the success of junior netball in 2017 a junior subcommittee would be formed. This committee will work alongside the Representative Committee for 2017. The MNA Junior Subcommittee will be responsible for organising and communicating the information regarding the junior competition for 2017. The junior committee members for 2017 are as follows:

- Peter MacBeth – President – Surat State School Teacher
- Kate Gordon – Vice President – Injune State School Parent
- Sue Anderson – Secretary – Injune State School Principal
- Anna Lucas – Secretary/Uniform Coordinator – St John’s School Parent
- Natalie Packer – Treasurer – St John’s School Parent
- Pauline Bain – Fixtures Coordinator
- Wendy Steinohrt – Coaches Coordinator – previous Roma State College Parent, with assistance from Nicole Box and Kirsten York
- Melissa Graham - Media and Sponsorship Coordinator – Wallumbilla State School
- Kerry Emery – Canteen Convenor – Wallumbilla State School

Obviously with the change from school sport to club sport there will be some changes that you should be aware of for 2017. So what can you expect in 2017?

- Age groups – under 6, 8, 10 and 13 with the option for under 15 depending on numbers, if the under 15 competition does not go ahead, these players will be welcome to play on a Thursday night in the ladies’ competition.
- Players - All players will nominate their interest to play. They will be split into equal teams according to their preferred playing position and playing ability. This will hopefully ensure a strong competition, with evenly matched teams.
- Please note that the subcommittee will do their best to ensure as many players form outlying areas are placed in the same team for travel purposes.
- Approximate Cost - $100 per player, this will include all court hire fees, administration costs, equipment costs and a playing shirt.
- Uniforms – all players will be given a playing shirt; each team will have a different shirt so that they are easily identifiable. Players will be able to wear any bottoms they feel comfortable to play in.
- Location – All games will be played in Roma at the PCYC Recreation Centre, except for Under 6’s who will play at the Roma State College Middle Campus.
- Length of season – it is envisaged that the season will go for 15 rounds, with the first round of fixtures being held on the first Saturday after the Easter break.
• Time frames – All games will be played on a Saturday morning, commencing at 8.30 am and finishing by no later than 3.00 pm.
• Training – Due to teams having players from all over the region in them, training will occur either before or after their game on a Saturday morning.
• Important Dates:
  • First sign on Day – 25 February 2017
  • Second sign on day – 4 March 2017
  • Grading days – 11 March, 18 March, 25 March 2017
  • First fixture game – 22 April 2017 (first Saturday after Easter break)

In order for us to have a head start on the competition next year, we ask that you complete the expression of interest to play netball in 2017, that is attached to this letter. This will give us an indication of the amount of coaches and managers we will require.

As you are aware these competitions do not run without umpires, coaches and managers. If you are interested in umpiring, coaching or managing a team can you please complete the form below and return to it to the MNA juniors email address listed below.

If you would like to keep up-to-date with what is happening with the Juniors please email mnajuniors@outlook.com and ask to be placed on the email list, and like Maranoa Netball Association on Facebook.

If you have any questions regarding the competition for 2017 or would like more information, please email mnajuniors@outlook.com. We look forward to working with you all to keep netball strong in the community in 2017.

Yours sincerely

Kayleen Hall       Peter MacBeth

MNA President     MNA Juniors President
**MNA Juniors**

**2017 Season Players Expression of Interest**

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**MNA Juniors**

**2017 Season Volunteers Expression of Interest**

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