



GEEBUNG STATE SCHOOL

Newsletter

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From the Principal



Welcome to Term 3. I hope you had a chance to have a break for a few days at least?

Welcome to our new families who have started with us this Term or late last term. I am sure you will enjoy the Geebung experience. Welcome to Miss Cassie Dixon who is joining us for the remainder of the year as the Year 7 teacher. Also welcome to Michelle Johnson our new BSM. I am sure both ladies will be given the usual friendly welcome here at Geebung.

I am not a user of social media like many people these days however some good things do land in our in boxes from social media. The following story has some merit in it in an attempt to keep our children safe.

In America a stranger approached an 8 year old boy and asked him to come with him. The stranger told him that something had happened and his Mum had sent him to pick him up. The boy asked the stranger for the PASSWORD! and used the man's confusion to run away.

He and his mum agreed a password in case she ever had to send someone to pick him up. Maybe this saved the boy's life.

So SIMPLE - So EASY!

Please agree a PASSWORD with your children! Maybe it will make the world a little bit safer!

You may like to try this in your family to minimise the risk of Stranger Danger

Have you seen the work that has happened on the school fence line in Ellison Street. Are you a gardener? Would you like to see certain plants put into the school? Would you like a vegetable garden like a community garden established? The area looks much better and we would now like to get a group of people together to meet on Friday morning at

9:00am on the 19th of July to have a look and think about what gardening options we could use to "Green Geebung" and make the school more attractive and educational. Come and join us. All ideas welcome!

Manners Matter is something I have learnt over my life. On assembly this week I talked to the children about how we communicate with each other and in particular the people who can help, like the office ladies. Be aware that this will be a very high priority in our school this term and then into the future. I am sure all parents will support the school in pushing for improved manners.

Is your child enrolled for Prep in 2014? If so you can be part of the Pre-Prep program we are offering this term. The sessions will be undertaken on Thursday 9:00—11:00am on a fortnightly basis. Our aim is for you to come to school for a couple of hours per fortnight and work with your children to broaden their skill base so they are more able and better prepared for 2014. Again if you would like to be involved please enrol at Geebung SS and get a head start for your child!

Great Teachers = Great Results

Great teachers = Great results is the Queensland Government's five-year, \$537 million action plan to make our state's education system even better. It will:

- support teachers with mentoring, training and resources
- reward outstanding teachers with career opportunities and scholarships
- strengthen state school discipline
- allow schools to have more say in how they are run because each school community knows what's best for Queensland kids.

The plan will lift standards of teaching and give schools more flexibility to get on with the job with a range of research-based initiatives to help your child get a great education, no matter where you live.

There will be new ways of measuring and rewarding high performances among our teachers, as well as strengthened discipline and streamlined processes for suspensions and exclusions.

Find out more about the plan: www.qld.gov.au/greatteachers.

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From the Deputy Principal

Well the Geebung State School community spirit was on show yesterday! It was wonderful to see all our Year 4 – 7 students trying their hardest at the Athletics Carnival. I'd like to thank the parents who came and supported the event and also helped in a range of ways.

At the beginning of this term it's timely that we revisit our school community moral purpose:

Each and every member of our school community believes that each and every student can and will achieve.

What a positive affirmation this is as we all strive to achieve at Geebung State School. Each of us has a role to play so we can see our students continue to improve and achieve great successes.

At Geebung State School we use Play is the Way (formerly the Game Factory) to help us explicitly teach students how to recognise and manage their own behaviours. The founder of Play is the Way is Dr Wilson

McCaskill. He has a book called "Children Aren't Made of China" and in this you will find practical tips to help parents and carers teach children about owning and managing their behaviours. I regularly refer to this book and find it a valuable tool in supporting the social and emotional development of students.

This term the Geebung State School community will have an opportunity to get together for a celebration. Details are still being finalised however we urge you to keep Thursday evening 29 August 5pm – 8pm available. The P&C and the school staff are planning a 50's and 60's Rock n Roll dance to help us celebrate Geebung State School's 60th anniversary. More details will follow so keep reading the newsletters!

Matthew Meharg
Deputy Principal

EVENTS

Date	Event
18 July	9-11 am Pre Prep Program
24 July	9am Assembly
26 July	Round 5 Interschool Sports
31 July	9am Assembly
7 August	9am Assembly
9 August	Round 6 Interschool Sports
14 August	Brisbane Exhibition Day
15 August	9 –11am Pre Prep Program
19-23 August	Year 7 Trip to Canberra
19-30 August	Ritsumeikan Study Tour
21 August	9am Assembly
26-30 August	Book Week
28 August	9am Assembly
29 August	Author's Visit (Gus Gordon) Father's Day Stall 9-11am Pre Prep Program 5-8pm Geebung Rock'n'Roll
2-20 September	Parent Teacher Interviews—Prep to Year 7



DATE CLAIMER

THURSDAY 29 AUGUST

Geebung State School is holding a Community Event to celebrate 60 years with a Rock and Roll Dance.

More details will be advised shortly.

Awards



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the students at Geebung State School who received a Certificate of Recognition in the last fortnight and were presented at Assembly. Congratulations to all the students for their great work.

ABSENTEE LINE

PH 3623 8760

If your child is away from school please call our Absentee Line

Sports

Our Seniors Athletics Carnival was held on Wednesday 17 July 2013. Participation and enthusiasm levels were exceptional. The behaviour was good. Thanks to all those that came and helped and supported our students. Luckily the weather held for us. Congratulations to Bribie for taking out the trophy. It was a tight competition and congratulations also go to Moreton and Stradbroke for their performances on the day.

Interschool sports Rounds 5 and 6 are to be held on the 26 July and 9 August 2013—weather permitting. Good luck to everyone involved.

Bramble Bay Cricket Nominations are coming up. Students to keep

their eye out for announcements.

Congratulations to Josiah H on his selection to the Bramble Bay Rugby Union team.

Robert Bernard started back last term and will be increasing his hours on class time over the upcoming months. Students can look forward to having him back at Geebung SS and will see him in their PE classes more regularly.

Kathryn Langley
HPE Co-ordinator



Chaplain's Corner

Hi & welcome back to Term 3, I trust you all had a great holiday!

Knitting Club:

On the 18th of July we will once again be holding the knitting club for students in years 4-7. We will be knitting squares to be joined as a blanket.

If you are able to knit or have a Mother, Aunt or family member who can knit we would love for you\ them to join us on a Thursday from 1-2pm. The more helpers we can get the more students are able to participate.

Positive Parenting for Healthy Living:

Do you have a child aged between 3-10 years? Would you like to learn more about encouraging your child's healthy living?

The University of Qld are running a 3-week Triple P seminar . To sign up visit their website. www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/life

Or contact Jessica Bartlett on 3103 3395 or email lifestyletriplep@uq.edu.au

Kerry
Chaplain

Music

Strings News

Just a reminder that the Bramble Bay Schools Festival of Music is on next week, with the final concert on Thursday night. For the students involved in the Strings Day I will see you all at 9am next Wednesday at Bald Hills State School. I'm very much looking forward to a whole day of music making with you and our special guest conductor Ms Loreta Fin!

Miss Moore

Hello Everyone and welcome back to Term 3! Over the recent holidays I was fortunate to attend the Maryborough Music Conference. This event was the largest it has ever been with over 700 music educators gathering at the Brolga Theatre where we were provided with amazing opportunities to learn, perform, to share and inspire! Teachers were able to share stories and experiences as well as make contacts for more sharing and support over the following two years until the next conference in 2015. We heard presentations from international music education clinicians such as Dr Tim Lautzenheiser and Dr Peter Boonshaft and also enjoyed performances and tips from Julian Bliss (world renowned Clarinetist who performed for the Queen at the tender age of 13) as well as Darren Percival who was the runner up in the first series of The Voice.

Dr Tim's presentations were incredibly inspiring and thought provoking. I would like to share some of his thoughts with you. When considering the benefits of music education please think of this:

The study of music gives learners access to increased levels of:

- **Creativity:** Creativity is the source of all possibilities. We are constantly challenged to explore this area of the mind. Music opens new horizons, and new possibilities through expanded thinking. The study of music supports wonderment, imagina-

tion, appreciation, and sensitivity. Music allows us to experience creativity as an inventive thinking style.

- **Communication:** Music is a language unto itself. Music can only be explained by music. If we do not expose our students to music, we are depriving them of an array of personal understandings that cannot be found in any other part of the school curriculum.

- **Critical Assessment:** Intelligence is the ability to process facts and respond according to the given situation. Emotional stability stems from the capacity to deal with life's many inconsistencies. To accomplish both, the individual must be able to access the cognitive (factual) and affective (emotional) sides of the mind. Music is one of the few academic disciplines that develops this ability and reinforces learning patterns to allow for greater critical assessment.

- **Commitment:** Success is not measured by what we start, but rather by what we complete. In music students are required to perform the entire composition from beginning to end; to complete the given task. The important qualities of tenacity and persistence establish habits for positive, productive living applicable in every situation.

"As teachers, we pledge our efforts to prepare our students for what lies ahead in their personal and professional journey. In the process of preparing for a concert, sight-reading new literature, teaching a musical concept, or listening to a quality performance, we are helping our students establish thinking habits that are immediately transferable to other academic areas, and we are teaching the life-skills that will support their healthy and prosperous future."

I look forward to a productive and inspired Term 3!

Yours in Music,
Ms V.

Library Resource Centre News

BOOK WEEK: Read Across the Universe, 26-30 August.

During Term 3 the school will be celebrating **Book Week**. It is a time when we promote the reading and writing of Australian authors and illustrators, as well as an appreciation of the short listed books for Book Week. The classes will focus on selected books and create various responses for a school display. During Book Week there will be a **Dress Up Parade** on Wednesday 28 August and an author visit on Thursday 29 August. We are fortunate to have Gus Gordon as our guest author/illustrator. He has written and illustrated one of the Book Week books. Other activities will include colouring in competitions and our school Readers' Cup challenge. It is a great week of celebration for our school community.

BOOK CLUB

The July issue of the Book Club has been distributed to the classes this week. Would families wishing to order please send order forms and money to the office by Wednesday 24 July 2013.

Julie Silva.

Teacher Librarian

Tuckshop News

Welcome back for another Term. Thank you to all the ladies who helped in the canteen for Sports Day. The tuckshop raised approximately \$280 for the day.

New volunteers are always needed please call in and put your name down.

Pick me up Friday—come and get coffee and cake \$5.00.

Thank you to all the families who still donate goods or write 'please keep change' on their child's bag. We still need tinned tomato and pasta spirals.

Please make it clear on orders for tuckshop on Interschool sports days Friday by writing 'SPORTS' on them. This way the order for little lunch and Big Lunch will be made before your child goes on the bus.

Leanne & Helen PH 3265 5959

Uniform Shop

UNIFORM SHOP

The shop hours for Term 2 are Wednesday 8.15am to 9.00am and Friday 8.15am to 9.15am.

\$1 sale on tracksuit tops, skirts, shorts and pants.

All old style (tracksuit fleece) jackets size 16+ now only \$10 and jumpers and tracksuits tops/jumpers now \$8.

Geebung State School polar fleece 1/4 jumpers are in stock at \$28.

Bucket hats are currently out of stock. Hopefully the new stock will arrive shortly.

Donations of clothing or clothing to be sold for commission can be left at the shop, tuck-shop or office.

All donations/commission sales are greatly appreciated. Please ensure you mark the items as donation or for sale for commission and include your contact details.

LOST PROPERTY

Items are available for viewing/collection on Friday's at the bottom of the stairs to the art room.

Items found with names are returned to students via the office.

Fleur Stanford

Uniform Shop Convenor

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Wednesday 8:15—9:00am and

Friday: 8:15am—9:15am

Pre Prep Program

This semester we are offering a FREE Pre Prep Program for students enrolled in Prep at Geebung State School next year. Parents/Carers and their children are invited to join us for play every second Thursday, from 9-11am in the Prep 1 classroom. Parents are encouraged to attend, participate and ask questions to help prepare their child/ren for Prep next year. A parent/carer MUST accompany any children attending.

Dates for Term 3:

- Thursday 18 July 2013, 9-11am
- Thursday 1 August, 9-11am
- Thursday, 29 August 2013, 9-11AM
- Thursday 12 September, 9-11am

Please contact Mrs Brennan in the Office on 3623 8777 if you are interested in joining our Pre Prep program.

Kirsty Drake



Community Notices



Come and Join In The Fun!!!!

Where: Geebung School Oval
When: Thursday 1st August
Time: 3:20 – 4:20pm
Length of program: 8 weeks
Cost: \$60

Come and see The Big Time! Simply register and pay online before Sunday 28th July, to receive 4 FREE TICKETS (2 adults & 2 children) for a selected match to see the mighty Brisbane Lions in action at The Gabba.

For more information visit aflauskick.com.au
or call 3865 8700

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Available at the office or by using the following weblink— <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2277g08>.



Reminder **2014 Enrolment Applications** **for** **WAVELL STATE HIGH SCHOOL** **are now due.**

This includes students who are eligible to receive automatic entry.

For further details or to arrange a school tour contact our Enrolment Officer: Ms Lock on 3350 0328



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SATURDAY AFTERNOON JUNIOR TENNIS FIXTURES SEASON 2, 2013

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Venue: The venue depends on level of play:

Beginner to Intermediate Players
University of Queensland Tennis Centre 2:00pm – 5:00pm

Intermediate to Advanced Players
Queensland Tennis Centre, Tennyson 2:30pm – 5:30pm

Other venues may also be used if required.

Cost \$175.00

(This fee includes the registration fee to Tennis Queensland and a GBJT polo shirt in Season 2. There are no other weekly costs.)

The Enrolment Form is available on the GBJT website or can be filled out at the grading day. Enrolments close on the 21st July.

GRADING DAY FOR NEW PLAYERS

Sunday 21st July, 2013,
3:00 – 5:00 pm.

Queensland Tennis Centre, 190 King Arthur Terrace, Tennyson

Contact Details: Mrs Peta Davis 3374 0516
email: admin@gbjt.org.au

Brighton Roosters Softball Club



SOFTBALL / T-BALL DEMONSTRATIONS

12th July 2013 (2.45 - 4pm)	Nashville State School Oval
19th July 2013 (2.45 - 4pm)	Brighton State School Oval
26th July 2013 (3.00 - 4.15pm)	Bracken Ridge High School Oval

We are holding some FREE demo days for any interested students to learn more about playing softball and t-ball

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We also have LADIES and MEN's Teams of all skills for interested parents.

Register online at:

<http://www.brightonsoftball.com.au/13/school-demo-registration/>

Our official sign on is August 7th, 5.00pm to 8.00pm at the Brighton Roosters Football Club.
Fees and Uniform costs advised at sign on



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