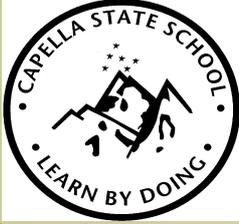


Capella State School

NEWSLETTER

TUESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2016



CALENDAR

Tuesday 16th Feb	P&C Meeting 7pm staff room
Friday 19th Feb	Peak Downs Boys and Girls Soccer Trials

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Peak Downs Netball Trials

Congratulations to the following girls who competed at the recent Peak Downs netball trials in Middlemount:

Cheyenne Dillon
Phoebe O'Dell
Kyran Anderson
Maccalyn Langtry
Lacey Coffison
Chloe Davey



You are commended for the courage and determination you displayed while representing Capella State School on the day. Well done!

Ms Tavita.

Gemma Tavita

Capella State School

Teacher

Student Council Leaders

Semester 1 2016

Sjaan
Aimee
Sarah
Lok
Tyson
Campbell



On parade this week we were lucky enough to have Councillor Gai Sypher present our School and House Captains with their Leadership Certificates and our Student Council Representatives with their badges. She also spoke to us about the role of being a leader.

Congratulations to all of our School Captains and Student Council Representatives.

From the Principals Desk.....

Learning Focus

Every few weeks I will provide some goals around learning behaviours to our students, as a challenge for them to improve in areas that have high impact on their learning. As you will see on our RA RA board at the front of the school we are reminding students that good learners make mistakes and learn from their mistakes. They do this from the encouragement classroom staff, peers and parents give them as well as effective feedback. Effective feedback gives specific information about what the error was and the precise element that needs to change to be successful. 'Have another go' or 'try harder' doesn't give our students any guidance on what they did wrong or what to change. Help your learners by giving them good feedback and for older students challenge them to investigate what error they made and support them with cues rather than the answer.

We have also added some sight words to our RA RA board to broaden the environment where students might read these essential words. Run a family quiz as you walk passed in the afternoon.

Parent Teacher Information Afternoons

Last week all families received a letter outlining the date for the Parent Teacher Meetings on today TUESDAY February 16. All year levels are offering a number of sessions to allow you to attend all relevant sessions for your family. Teachers will be updating you on routines and learning expectations of your student's in 2016. We are keen for parents to be involved in children's schooling so bring along your questions and offers to help in class. Remember if you are currently or intend being a class volunteer we need you to sign in and out of class each time you are officially helping in class. This officially recognises you as being part of the class team on site as a volunteer. Being a classroom helper is a valued and respected role and as with all staff we are bound by a Code of Conduct to maintain confidentiality around information gained from working with others students.

Bomb Threats

As you may be aware, there have been a number of threatening phone calls received by schools in Queensland and in other states. Police have made public statements that they believe these calls are hoaxes. The safety and wellbeing of students and staff is paramount so if we receive a threatening call we have an emergency response plan that we will enact. In the event of a possible evacuation please monitor the school's Facebook for updates.

Safe Play

One of the behaviours that I have noticed since arriving at Capella State School is how physical the students are with each other when they play. Most of the time this is in fun however when games start to go wrong when rules are ignored or talk is not friendly contact with others can lead to injury. A clear message that all students have been given is keep your hands and feet to yourself. If this is not followed consequences will follow and students may find some games or play spaces are no longer available to them.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our School Captains and Student Council representatives who were acknowledged on parade this week. During 2016 these students will be given opportunity where ever possible to have input into how our lunchtimes and school activities operate. Our Student Council Representatives from year 3 are Sarah Flohr & Tyson Greenslade, from year 4 Sjaan Auld & Campbell Smallacombe and from year 5 Aimee Siller & Lok Conway.

This week we also welcome our Chaplain, Averal Woodham who will be here at Capella State School every Thursday and Friday. Mrs Woodham will initially spend time in the school getting to know parents and students. As a parent please feel free to access her on these days for any concerns regarding your family and student/s.

Have a safe fortnight

Amanda Mobbs

Acting Principal



Tuckshop

Please call Lorraine on 0407 529 630 if you can help in the Tuckshop on any Friday this term.

Food Allergy Alert

Just a reminder that we have children in the school that have serious food allergies. These include a nut allergy and a tomato allergy. Even though we are not a completely nut or tomato free school, it is asked that you be mindful when packing your child's lunch to not include these products if possible.

Students of the Week

Prep – Thomas : Thomas has been working his best within class and has done a fantastic job at counting to 20.

P/1 – Hunter: For getting along with others by helping all members of his reading group understand what they are learning.

1/2–Lachlan: For working hard at being organised and ready to learn and then trying your best. Great job Lachlan!

Dallas: You have been a fantastic role model for your peers this week. Great job, keep it up!

Gotcha Awards

Macarthur: Jake Willadsen

Gregory: Alira-Jayde Titmus

Leichardt: Kai Nugent

Yr. 3 – Tamzin: Demonstrated a fantastic understanding of modal verbs and adjectives during persuasive writing this week. Keep up the great work.

Yr. 4–Jet: being organised and ready to begin lessons. You have also been focused and willing to participate in all classroom activities. Well Done Jet!

Yr. 5–Lachlan: consistently displaying focus across all learning areas this week.

Yr. 6–Audrey: showing persistence and dedication in her class work.

PE Sportsmanship award – Jack Symonds—displaying incredible enthusiasm during PE and is always keen to demonstrate his sporting skills. Well Done Jack!

Prep – Layne: Layne successfully sorted objects and identified her sorting rule to explain how she had sorted them.

P/1 – Logan: By making a consistent effort with his work and showing bravery by adapting to school life.

1/2 – Natalie: Natalie you have shown great persistence in your work this week by completing your work on time

2 – Callum: for getting along with your peers everyday and displaying team work skills in maths.

Yr. 3 – Holly: Holly it was lovely to see you take so much pride in your work during art this week, creating a beautiful artwork with use of shape and texture.

Yr. 4 – Lucy: Lucy, your organisation and dedication to your school work is inspiring. You're always willing to assist members of our school community both in and out of the classroom. Great work Lucy!

Yr. 5 – Harley: Working hard on completing set task in every lesson and entering the classroom with a big smile every morning.

Yr. 6 – Chloe: Chloe always has a smile, speaks kindly to others and is eager to help those in need.

PE Sportsmanship award – Phoebe O'Dell— Phoebe displayed courage, confidence and determination at the Peak Downs netball trials. She also consistently demonstrates these admirable qualities in PE lessons. Well Done Phoebe !

Please remind your children that they need to dismount their bikes to cross the road. It has been reported that some children are riding across the road on their bikes and not looking properly for vehicles. Drivers try to be aware but students are responsible for doing the right thing.

Master Teacher— Wendy Dowling

• **Upcoming Parent Information Sessions**

Monday	2:00pm	Phonics —What is Jolly Phonics?	45 minutes
Monday 29/02/16	2:00pm 7:00pm	Fix-up Strategies — Learn how to teach your child strategies to help them read and understand the text that they are reading.	45 minutes

Central Highlands Triathlon Club Presents:

CAPELLA TRIATHLON

DUATHLON & 5K RUN

Sunday 13 March 2016



Thank you to our sponsors and supporters:

Rio Tinto, Kestrel – Dashers Swim School - Central Highlands Regional Council – Capella Newsagency – Capella Hotel – Capella Mine Fix

Capella Aquatic Centre

Registration Opens: 6:15am Adults Race: 7:00am Children Race: 9:00am

Adults (17+) \$40

(TQ members \$35) - payment by Cash Only

Adult/Open Events

Enticer Tri: Swim 300m / Ride 10km / Run 2.5km

Sprint Tri: Swim 750m / Ride 20km / Run 5km

Sprint Duathlon: Run 3km / Ride 20km / Run 5km

Run Race: 5km

Children (Under 17) \$15

(TQ members \$10) - payment by Cash Only

Children Only Events

Ages 7 - 9: Swim 100m / Ride 3km / Run 800m

Ages 10 - 12: Swim 200m / Ride 6 km / Run 1.6 km

Ages 13 - 16: Swim 300m / Ride 10km / Run 2.5km



Instrumental Music

Instrumental Music has begun for the year with some very excited students picking up their instruments for the first time. If you have not already organised your child's equipment/instrument, please do so immediately as they will fall behind the other students without it. If you have misplaced your equipment list please email me or ask the school office for a new one.

You should have received a student resource scheme form and loan agreement form (if using a school instrument) by now. Please ensure these are returned to the school office with payment asap, as your child can not take their instrument home until this process has been completed. Any students who have not returned forms and payment to the school office by February 29, will be withdrawn from the program.

As I service six schools in the district, if you have any questions could you please email me at lhild7@eq.edu.au and I will endeavour to get back to you within 24-48 hours.

It's shaping up to be a very busy year for Instrumental music with events such as Fanfare (June 6), CH Festival of Bands (28-30 July) and the CH Eisteddfod (TBA) just to name a few.

Instrumental Music - Recruiting

There are currently positions available for students in the school's Instrumental Music Program. The Instrumental Music Program is a special program offered by Education Queensland for students to learn a musical instrument and participate in an ensemble. The program caters for students in years 4-6 and offers tuition in woodwind, brass and percussion instruments.

The overall aim of the program is the growth of individuals through musical experiences. Therefore we provide a music study program, which offers students the opportunity to develop their musical abilities to the highest level they can achieve while learning:

- To enjoy working with children of other ages and gender.
- To experience the thrill of playing well with others and for others.
- To develop a desire to listen to good music.
- To develop concentration.
- To develop self-discipline.
- To develop responsibility as a member of an ensemble.
- To develop a means of expressing themselves creatively through music.

Individual growth through music will be gained by learning to:

- Play an instrument in class.
- Listen to the playing of others.
- Develop a musical ear.
- Develop rhythmic and melodic feeling.
- Play individually at school, home and in the community.
- Find happiness and satisfaction through music activities.

If your child is interested in auditioning for the program please contact the school office for an enrolment form.

Leanne Hilder
IM Teacher

Chaplaincy at Capella State School 2016

Hi Everyone,

My name is Averal Woodham and I have recently become the Chappy at Capella State School. I am also the Chappy at Anakie State School (Tues/Wed) and have been having an awesome time in my role as Chaplain there since Sept 2013.

Emerald is my home town and my family and extended family have been residents here for quite some time. My work background is in Health, Education and the Community Services sectors.

So what do I do as a Chappy – I listen to stories, good ones, sad ones and all sorts in between, scar stories are just the best, so make sure you tell me yours. I also run activities that the school community would like to have implemented within the school community. I help out in classrooms as required and love to see and help the children and staff with all aspects of the school day.

In the mornings you will find me in the under covered area, with some activities for the students. I also plan to have some activities for the students at some lunch times. So if you're in and around the school at those times make sure you come and say Hi, so I can get to know your great school community. Hopefully it won't take me too long to remember everyone's name!

I'm looking forward to an awesome time at Capella State School.

Have a great week

Chappy

Averal Woodham

So what is Chaplaincy?

Chaplaincy Services provide spiritual, ethical, and personal support to school communities. SU Qld Chaplains provide positive adult role models for students. Chaplains are present in schools at the invitation of the Principal, in consultation with the local community, and with the support of the P&C Association.

What does a School Chaplain do?

A School Chaplain is a safe person for young people to connect with at school and provides a listening ear, caring presence, and a message of hope. Chaplains run positive, fun activities for students and assist in fostering supportive, caring school communities.

Working with other members of the school's support team, the Chaplain cares for students struggling with issues such as difficult relationships with other children or family members, poor self-esteem, family breakdown, and depression.

The partnership between the school and the Chaplaincy Service, is supported by local churches, businesses and community organizations, provides a network of local support and assistance. These positive relationships help young people to face difficult issues, and provide hope, connection, meaning, and purpose.

The Chaplaincy Service is available to everyone in the school community regardless of their religious beliefs.

Will my child be involved?

Involvement with the Chaplain is entirely voluntary and students choose whether or not they want to be a part of the activities that are offered. Parents will be consulted if their child wishes to be involved in ongoing one-to-one meetings with the Chaplain or in any program or group involving spiritual or ethical content. Parents have the right to refuse permission for their child to be involved in any Chaplaincy activity or event.

How can I contact the Chaplain?

I'm at the school on Thursdays and Fridays from 8am and you are able to contact me via the school office on 07 49887111.

You're most welcome to drop in and have a chat anytime on those days.