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RIDGELANDS STATE SCHOOL

Newsletter Date:  
6th May 2008

Term 2 Week 4

## Tuesday's News

### Important Dates for Term 2

7th May	Ridgelands Sports Day—Field
8th May	Ridgelands Sports Day—Track
13th & 14th May	Year 3,5 & 7 Testing
21 May	CWA International Day
27th & 28th May	Interschool Sports at Bouldercombe

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Ridgelands Athletics 800m events will be held tomorrow 7<sup>th</sup> May commencing at 9.00am. Followed by Discus for the 10yrs,11yrs,12 and 13yrs and Shot Put for the 9yrs,10yrs,11yrs,12 and 13yrs. All other Field and Track Events will be held on Thursday 8th May commencing at 9.00am. All community members are welcome to attend. Lunch will be provided by the P&C. But we ask if you could bring a plate of food for Afternoon Tea.

Congratulations to our Friday Sports Teams some great results. Thank you to all parents for supporting our students.

Congratulations to the Duff family on finishing third in the Annual Country Tennis Championships held on the long weekend.

**Important Note: Opening of the 'Undercover Area', 'Infant playground and cover', Upper playground Area, Tuckshop and Staff Room refurbishments will be on the Saturday 24th**

**May beginning at 3.30pm. Moving onto the celebration of our new look gardens. Concluding the evening with dinner and a trivia night.**

Any families looking to enrol Prep students for 2009 please let the school know as we need to start working on numbers for next year.

Students in years 3, 5 and 7 will be sitting the Queensland 2008 Numeracy and Literacy tests next Tuesday and Wednesday at school. Students absent on either day will sit on Thursday.

The next P&C meeting will take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May.

Have a great week

Les Berryman

Acting Principal

### Tuckshop

Thanks to Sue Cooper and Christine Barlow for doing tuckshop today.

Workers for Monday 12th May 2008 — Margo Estreich and Sharyn McQuillan

**IF YOU CAN NOT COME FOR SOME REASON PLEASE SWAP WITH SOMEONE FURTHER DOWN THE LIST, OR IF THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE PLEASE RING JUDY ON 0447 125741**

## Year 4 & 5 Capers

Last week the students were busy completing their Mongolia posters for the 'International Country of Study School Childrens competition'. If students have not finished this poster they will be required to complete this poster in their own time.

The year 4-5 will be starting their major project this week. The students will be researching 'Exploration of Space'. The students have been given a list of background questions designed to help them investigate a 'Mission to Space'. They must complete all the background questions and then choose a suitable design and format for their presentation.

Homework has only been set for two nights as we have our school sports day this week.

### *Homework*

Please ensure all homework is brought to school everyday.

**Year 4**– Spelling Matters Unit 13 – all week to complete this unit

Jigsaw Maths – Tues pg 76 & 77, Wed pg 73

Reading has been provided this week with some comprehension questions, students may record this as their reading.

Tues – 'Draw a self-portrait', Wed –'Public Transport'

Learn the 5 times tables

**Year 5**– Spelling Matters Unit 13 – all week to complete this unit

Jigsaw Maths – Tues pg 72, Wed pg 73

Reading has been provided this week with some comprehension questions, students may record this as their reading.

Tues –'The life cycle of a silkworm', Wed –'Turtles & Tortoises'

Learn the 5 times tables

Kindest Regards

*Julie Paddison*

## Year 2/3 News

*Today, Yr 2 and 3 students have been given a separate not outlining homework requirements for this week. It would be appreciated if all students could have a homework folder to store their worksheets, homework book and home reader. Year 2 students also have a home reading diary to fill out each night.*

*Parent help is also requested in our classroom. If you are available on any of the following times, please let me know.*

*Tuesday:            12:00—1:00 Reading  
                          2:00—3:00 Science  
Wednesday:       12:00—1.00 Reading  
                          2:00— 3.00 Art/Craft  
Thursday:           12:30—1:30 Reading  
Friday:              12:30—1:30 Reading*

*All student will bring home their Mongolia poster today with an extra sheet outlining the requirements for this poster. When the poster is complete, please return it to school.*

*Susan Balmain*

### **Alton Downs District Athletics Carnival Raffle.**

Please find attached to last weeks newsletter ten raffle tickets which we would like each family to sell to raise money for the Alton Downs District Athletics Carnival.

First Prize—\$100 Voucher Stocklands

Second Prize—\$30 Voucher Bunnings

Please return to School Office before May 12th 2008. Thanks

## SCIENCE ON SATURDAY !

*Science on Saturday* is a fun, hands-on program for children aged 7 to 14. Each week there will be a new 1 ½ hour session of awesome science; come to one, or come to all six! Children who attend all six sessions get a cool magazine (*The Helix* or *Scientriffic*) to take home. Check out these fabulous topics:

**Apprentice Scientist (10/5/08):** Learn about the scientific method as you come up with hypotheses, and use constants and variables in experiments. Don't know what they are? Come along and find out!

**Healthy Humans (17/5/08):** What keeps humans healthy? How do our bodies work? Learn body facts, what's good and bad for you, and how your senses work.

**Water Wise (24/5/08):** Explore the water cycle and the properties of water, as you experiment with solutions, water quality and water treatment.

**Forensic Investigation (31/5/08):** Put your detective hat on as you enter the field of forensics to solve a crime. Examine evidence such as fingerprints, blood groups and handwriting to help find the culprit.

**Working with DNA (7/6/08):** Extract real DNA and learn some fascinating DNA facts as you discover how it's studied and why it's so important.

**Energy Expert (14/6/08):** What is energy? Investigate various types of energy and the different ways we can get energy for everyday living.

*\*\*this activity runs for 2 hours, so in this case the junior session is 9:30-11:30 and the senior session is 12:30-2:30\*\**

Cost: \$6 per child per session if paying in advance (\$9 if paying on the day)  
 Times: 10:00-11:30am for 7-10 year olds (*children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult*)  
 12:30-2:00pm for 11-14 year olds  
 Venue: Rockhampton State High School, Campbell Street.

Sessions are limited to 25 children so **bookings are essential!**

For more information and bookings: [www.csiro.au/SOS](http://www.csiro.au/SOS)

Or call **1300 302 649** during business hours and quote your location, your child's name and age, and which activities you would like to book.

### Message to Parent on Sports Day—Thursday 8th May

*The P & C will supply the sandwiches on Sports Day. We ask each family to please bring a plate with either cake, slice, biscuits or fruit for afternoon tea.*

*It would be greatly appreciated if parents could allocate some of their time to help make sandwiches in tuckshop for lunch.*

*Thanks*



## Winter Sport Friday 9th May

### Netball

Senior C	Alton Downs 1	v	Berserker	Ct 7	at 1:25pm
	Alton Downs 2	v	SJPA	Ct 6	at 2:00pm
Junior C	Alton Downs	v	Park Avenue	Ct 3	at 1:25pm

### Rugby League

12/13B	Alton Downs	v	Gracemere	Browne Park—1:45pm
11B	Alton Downs	v	St Peters/Paurls	RHS Top— 1:45pm
10B	Alton Downs	v	Waraburra	Browne Park –12:45pm

### Soccer

Junior	Alton Downs	v	
Girls	Alton Downs 1	v	
	Alton Downs 2	v	
Minor	Alton Downs 1	v	
	Alton Downs 2	v	
	Alton Downs 2	v	

## SPORTS REPORTS

### Netball

Last Friday Alton Downs Junior B netball team were defeated by Yeppoon State School 3-2. The player of the match was the whole team for putting a great effort. We all tired our best.

By Sarah

Last Friday Alton Downs Senior C Netball team defeated St Anthony's 7-4. The whole team played well, especially Hailey and Savanna for their defence, Melinda and Myself for the fantastic shooting. Thank-you Cassandra for Umpiring.

By Hannah

### Soccer

Last Friday Alton Downs Minor Soccer team won against Frenchville. The score was 2—0. The player of the match was David for scoring the two goals. Every one had a great game.

By Daniel Stanke

### Football

Last Friday Alton Downs Senior Rugby League team were defeated by Allies 16-8. The man of the match was Brad for his tackling and running.

By Daniel Bahnisch

Last Friday the Alton Downs Junior Football tea were defeated by Glenmore 12-10. there was no player of the match because we all played well.

By Callum Chisholm

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**MEETINGS**



**P & C NEWS**

**Next P & C Meeting 13th May in the Library 7:30pm.**

**Official Opening Day**

*Ridgelands School official opening of the Under Covered areas, Playgrounds and Staffroom /Tuckshop refurbishment, followed by the garden opening and presentation will be held on Saturday 24th May 2008. Come and enjoy a BBQ dinner, Trivia and Frog hop.*



**PLAY GROUP**

**Every Wednesday**

Held in the undercover area at Ridgelands School

**What to bring:** Plate for morning tea,  
glue and \$1 for supplies.



**Any queries please contact Michelle Rose**

**Ph 49345635**

**Notices**

**BATTERY COLLECTION**

Kitty Wren attended our School Parade to talk to the students about recycling batteries at school.

Battery World has commenced a competition for all schools collecting batteries. The School with the heaviest amount collected at the end of each term wins a cash prize of \$500.

Car batteries are to be taken straight to Battery World ( Musgrave Street). These will be too heavy to be collected at school. All small batteries will be collected at school and placed into a special battery bin where is located in the Library.



**World's Biggest Morning Tea.**

Instead of a Biggest Morning Tea to raise money for cancer research this year, we have decided to have a shared lunch. This will take place at 11.00 a.m. on Thursday, 22nd May. There will be a raffle.

Please come along and bring a plate to share.

Jenny Prince.