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Tuesday's News

Important Dates for Term 1

9th April
10th April
11th April
12th April

Last day of Term 1 & Cross Country
Good Friday
Easter Saturday
Easter Sunday

Dear Parents/Carers

Included with today's newsletter is a media release statement that needs to be returned for all students. This is required if your child's name, picture, work or voice is to be used outside the school in any shape or form. Please let me stress that at all times we are aware of the need to present images and names in a sensitive matter and we will take the utmost care when publishing. Also included is parent contact and personal information sheet for each family/child. Please ensure all details are updated and/or checked carefully. Both forms need to be returned to school as a matter of importance so our records are up-to-date and correct.

It was a tremendous effort for Alton Downs District to be involved in the inaugural EQ rugby league shield over the weekend. Ridgelands provided 7 students to the team with all of them representing the school well. The team was unlucky not to get a win in their pool games but made amends in the medal final by beating Calliope 14-8. Participation pennants were presented to each child involved, at parade on

Monday. Thankyou to all the parents who came and supported the team over the weekend and special thanks to Dale Thompson for his assistance as team manager on Saturday.

The end of term is approaching quickly with a few events scheduled to take place. The fun run will be held on the 9th April to help raise funds for the school. Also students in grades 4 and 6 will be completing their QCAT's for Maths, English and Science over the next three weeks. Finally the winter sports muster will be held on the 8th April at Bouldercombe State School to organise teams for winter sports.

Yesterday we had our first visit from Constable Katie the schools adopt a cop. Katie spoke to the classes about her role as a police officer as well as showing the younger classes the police car and the siren. We look forward to seeing more of her in her role especially at special events.

Until next week
Brad Carlson

Tuckshop

Thanks to Rebekah Barlow, Christine Barlow and Kerrie Malcolm for doing tuckshop yesterday.

Workers for Monday 30th March — Sharee Weier and Helen Tomkins

IF YOU CAN NOT COME FOR SOME REASON PLEASE SWAP WITH SOMEONE FURTHER DOWN THE LIST.

Newsletter 5/6/7

Next week we will be doing a double session of art, could we remind all the students to bring their paint shirts or old work shirts.

On Thursday the student council will be holding a Lasagne Day please support the student council.

We are also doing a "me profile" that will be due next Tuesday and a "found story" that will be due on the last day of school for this term.

Yesterday all the students practices the fun run course, ready for the 9th of April. Sponsor forms and letters out later this week

Reminder

Practise your spelling words

By Kiah barney and Joel Estreich

REMINDER

Please check your child/ren personal details on the forms sent home today for: address changes, new telephone contacts (including mobile phones), doctor's information, allergies, etc.

Any changes please make alterations on the form. We would like all forms to be sent back even if all information is correct.

Please send back the media release form as well.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

This Thursday March 26th the Student Council will be holding a Lasagne Day. Please make sure if your order form is not already handed into the office it is by Wednesday March 25th, so we can do the ordering.

PHILLIPS STREET HEALTH CENTRE

HEARING HEALTH SERVICE

Hearing Programme offers hearing screens for children from four years of age.

Clinic times are from 1:30pm –4:00pm every Tuesday afternoon.

Appointments are essential

Please phone 49266999 for an appointment time or for further information.

Year 3/4 News

This week in class we are learning about bees and ladybugs. We will study the life cycle of a ladybug and see how this differs from other life cycles we have learnt about.

Please remember, **Tuesday** is library day. Please remember library books and bags on this day. Children are unable to borrow without a library bag. There are currently some outstanding overdue library books. Please check and return to school.

Congratulations to the many students who received home reading and homework awards last week. – Kaitlyn Frankish, Ellie Frankish, Keallan Thompson, Hayden Lovell, Pagen Simpson and Travis Turner.

Year 4 have completed a second maths investigation about time. They have been working consistently on reading and writing the time and making up their own cards for a card game about time.

Year 3 are working on a maths investigation about the different ways of recording numbers – using blocks, numerals and words. They have also been making their own card game about number to share with the class.

Please continue the excellent homework effort this week. Year 4 Maths homework for this week will be Jigsaw Maths pages 16, 17 and 29. Year 3 Maths homework is Jigsaw Maths pages, 13 and 36. Spelling words are to be written as normal, but students are to write one sentence each night using a word from their spelling list. Spelling Matters books, Unit 8 are also to be completed this week.

Thank you to Julie Lovell for her assistance with publishing activities last week.

Kind Regards,

Susan Balmain





Chaplains Report 19th March 2009

Ross Mayer

Allenstown—Crescent Lagoon—Ridgeland's--Primary Schools

Praise Point : Once again it's been a pleasure to hear such positive comments from a parent and a teacher on the positive changes they have seen in students that have been working with their schools chaplain . Humbly I thank them, and praise God for His guidance, and thank those who continue to Pray for us –Chaplains.

This month has been full on as well; assisting students with behaviour problems ,friendship issues, struggling with home life issues, parents who are just looking for away around it, or what to do next and assisting teachers with frustrations in combating students / parents expectations and disrespect, from both, just to name a few.

It is also good to constantly remind ourselves of all the good Parents and good Students who are prepared to face the day to day challengers and grow through their experiences.

Extra's : I've been involved with P&C meetings across all schools and a working bee at Ridgeland's . I approached the tuckshop lady at Crescent Lagoon about catering for our election day stall in support of chaplaincy and that's in full swing. I attended a Power Kids meeting at Gracemere and chaplain meetings at coffee club and a breakfast with Tim Mander. It was enjoyable and interesting to hear of what SU is doing and our vision for the future and also asking for our input into some of the major decisions for the better of chaplaincy.

I thank Deputy Principal Jeff Daniels and Principal Ms Trudy Graham for their support for my attending to a family crisis in Brisbane in early March.

Prayer Point: Safety and protection for teachers and chaplains as we undertake our roles and responsibilities.

Conclusion: Again I thank my three school Principals and Deputy Principals for the ability to work side by side and for the privilege of time in dealing with the complex issues that have to be addressed, and at the same time managing a full work load. Also I thank all the Parents and staff for their love and support shown me as part of the working team across all three schools.

Sincerely

Ross Mayer

Chaplain

Friday Afternoon Sport—27th March

Softball

Senior -	Alton Downs	v	Mt Morgan	@	Western St 1
Junior-	Alton Downs	v	St Joseph's PA	@	SJPA
T-Ball-	Bye				

Cricket

Senior -	Alton Downs	v	St Joseph's PA	@	Kettle Pk 5
Junior -	Alton Downs	v	St Joseph's PA	@	Kettle Pk 2
Minor -	Alton Downs	v	Crescent Lagoon	@	Port Curtis Rd



MEETINGS



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P & C NEWS

PLEASE NOTE THE MEETING'S TIME CHANGE

*P & C Meeting Thursday 23rd April 2009 in Staff
Room at 7:30pm*

Notices



PLAY GROUP Every Wednesday



Held in the undercover area at Ridgelandss
School

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

**Any queries please contact Michelle Rose
Ph 49345635**

WIN A \$2000 BREVILLE TUCKSHOP PACKAGE

Our School would like to participate in
this promotion. To participate we need
students, parents, grandparents and our
school community members to collect to-
kens from 'The Morning Bulletin' from
March 2nd to July 24th. The tokens will
appear every Monday, Wednesday, Thurs-
day and Friday, with bonus tokens during
the school holidays.

Please start collecting.

KNITTING SQUARES FOR FIRE VICTIMS

Woollen blankets are needed for the Vic-
torian Fire victims (winter comes early
down south).

If you would like to help, please send
knitted squares to the school and they
will be sent away to be turned into rugs.

More information can be found on the
'Better Homes and Gardens' website.

INSTRUCTIONS

SQUARES FOR WRAPS are to measure: 10
inches x 10 inches (25cm x 25cm)

KNITTED SQUARES: To knit a 10" x 10"
square use 8 (4mm) needles, 8 ply yarn, cast
on 50-55 stitches and knit each row plain
(i.e. garter stitch).

NOTE: test your tension to measure 10
inches.

DO NOT KNIT one row plain, one row purl
(i.e. stocking stitch) as your square will curl
up.

NO KNOTS Start each ball of yarn at the be-
ginning or a row and sew in ends. Do not cut
ends off short as your square will unravel.
When starting or finishing a square, sew in
all ends.