



SCHOOL TALK

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL, FLAGSTONECREEKSTATESCHOOL

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P&C BBQ & Disco Thanks

Thank you to the families who attended *BBQ & Disco* evening at the school last Friday. It was a great family night and a wonderful celebration for Chaplaincy Week 2016. A special word of thanks to our Chaplain, Don Truss, for attending with his family, to everyone who helped with the BBQ and to our talented Disco DJ, Mark Vayro.

Lockyer Zone Cross Country This Friday

A separate letter has been sent home with children who wish to be involved in the Lockyer Zone Cross Country which will be held at Lake Apex, Gatton, this Friday, 13 May. Please contact the school if you need assistance with transport.

NAPLAN Testing This Week

Our Years 3 and 5 students will participate in the annual National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) to assess their skills and understanding in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

The tests will be conducted in all state and non-state schools across the country this week from tomorrow until Thursday, 10 - 12 May.

An individual NAPLAN report for each child will be sent home later this year. Results provide additional feedback for parents, carers and teachers on how students are progressing in key curriculum areas.

Please contact the school if you have any questions about your child participating in NAPLAN testing. Further information is available on the [ACARA website](http://www.nap.edu.au/). (<http://www.nap.edu.au/>)

Pre-Prep Group Tomorrow

We are running a **Pre-Prep Group** for children (and their parents) who will begin Prep at Flagstone Creek State School in 2017.

The group will meet tomorrow, Wednesday, 11 May.

Buy A Bale Fundraiser – 20 May

This year, the P&C has chosen to support drought stricken farmers through the *Buy A Bale* initiative. Students are invited to wear *free dress* and bring a *gold coin donation* on Friday, 20 May.

Pets and People Education Program

The Australian Veterinary Association will present their *FREE Pets and People Education Program* at our school this Thursday, 12 May at 1.45pm.

Presenter, Rhiannon Park, a Veterinary Nurse from Greencross Vets Eastwood House, will speak on *Caring for your pet's health and the role of a veterinarian* and Daryl Simpson, Senior Local Laws Compliance Officer, Lockyer Valley Regional Council, will speak on *Responsible Pet Ownership*.

Interested parents are welcome to join us.

School Bus Contact Details

If your child is not going to use the school bus any morning, please contact the school bus operators – preferably by text message - **0428 845 417** - **before 7.30am**.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Wednesday	11 May	NAPLAN Reading Test
Wednesday	11 May	Pre-Prep Group – 9.00am
Thursday	12 May	NAPLAN Numeracy Test
Thursday	12 May	AVA PetPEP Visit – 1.45pm
Friday	13 May	Zone Cross Country
Wednesday	18 May	P&C Meeting – 7.00pm
Friday	20 May	Buy A Bale Free Dress Day with Gold Coin Donation
Wednesday	25 May	Pre-Prep Group – 9.00am
Wednesday	8 June	Pre-Prep Group – 9.00am
Wednesday	15 June	P&C Meeting – 7.00pm
Friday	17 June	Tuckshop Day
Wednesday	22 June	Pre-Prep Group – 9.00am
Friday	24 June	<i>Ball Games Bonanza</i> at Tent Hill Lower SS
Friday	24 June	End of Term 2