



SCHOOL TALK

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL, FLAGSTONE CREEK STATE SCHOOL

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Tuesday, 23 July, 2019

Swimming Begins This Thursday



Swimming lessons at the Toowoomba Grammar School Aquatic Centre begin **this Thursday, 25 July** and continue for five weeks.

The lessons will be with a coach in groups of no more than six students. While the Sporting Schools Grant will cover the majority of the cost, **families will need to pay \$6.50 per lesson, per child.** Payment is required after the five lessons have been completed or you can pay weekly if you prefer.

Children need to bring togs, towel and bathing cap.

If your child is not able to swim due to a medical condition or other reason, please write a short note to the teacher.

If you have not already done so, please complete and return the **Permission Form** below tomorrow.

Student Details for Checking

A copy of your family records held on the Education Queensland computer system, *OneSchool*, was attached to the Newsletter last week.

To ensure our records are up to date, please –

1. Check the information on the sheets carefully.
2. Change anything that is incorrect.
3. Add any new details in the spaces provided.
4. Sign at the bottom.
5. Return the sheets to the school tomorrow.

Options Afternoons

Thank you to all the volunteers who have offered to take groups for our Options Program. Sessions will run from 1.45pm to 3.00pm on Friday, 2, 9, 16 and 23 August. The students are being offered an amazing variety of afternoon activities and will benefit greatly from learning from the Flagstone Creek Community.

Staff Long Service Leave Term 3

School staff will be taking Long Service Leave during Term 3 as follows:

Name	Start	Until	Replacement
C. Martin	24 July	24 July	J. Barkhuizen

Instrumental Music This Week

As Mrs Christina Martin is taking Long Service Leave, there will be no *Guitar, Woodwind or Brass* lessons tomorrow, Wednesday, 24 July. Keyboard and percussion lessons with Niamh Stevens will be held as usual.

We are looking for more students in the keyboard/percussion group to make it viable this Term. If you would like your child/children to participate, please send them along at the time indicated below.

Instrumental Music – Wednesday, 24 July	
Mrs Christina Martin	Miss Niamh Stevens
8.00am Guitar	8.00am Keyboard
8.30am Woodwind/Brass	8.30am Percussion

Pre-Prep Group Next Thursday

The next **Pre-Prep Group** will be held on Thursday, 1 August from 9.00am to 11.00am. The group will be led by Mrs Jenni Barkhuizen.

Please invite anyone you know to contact the school if they have children who will begin Prep at Flagstone Creek State School in 2020.

Ma Ma Creek Exhibition – This Saturday, 27 July

The Ma Ma Creek Exhibition and Sports will be held on Saturday, 27 July. This fun sports morning will run from 9.30am to 11.30am. Events could include sprints, sack races, potato races, relays and tug-of-war. The combined small schools choir will perform at 1.00pm (see below).

Attendance is completely voluntary and parents need to make their own transport arrangements.

Ma Ma Creek Exhibition Choir Performance

When: Saturday, 27 July

Time: 1.00pm

Meeting time: 12.45pm near the stage

Attire: Free dress

Schools performing: Ma Ma Creek, Flagstone Creek, Ropeley, Mt Sylvia, Mt Whitestone

Song: TNT

See you there!

Mrs Christina Martin
Music Teacher

Year 7 at Lockyer District SHS in 2020

Lockyer District SHS is holding a Showcase Evening for students moving to Year 7 in 2020 on Wednesday, 24 July. For further information, please phone 54662333.

LOCKYER DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL **SHOWCASE Evening**

Wednesday 24th July 2019

- Twilight Tours – from S Block
- Year 7 2020 Information Sessions – S Block
- Year 11 2020 Information Sessions – U Block
- All Tours & Information Sessions each starting at 4:30pm, 5:15pm & 6pm
- Light refreshments will be served

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A: 100 William Street, Gatton
E: principal@lockyerdistrictshs.eq.edu.au
W: www.lockyerdistrictshs.eq.edu.au

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Gatton Show Holiday – 12 August

Please note that Monday, 12 August, is the Gatton Show Holiday. The school will be closed on this day.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability. According to the broad definition in the Disability Discrimination Act students with a disability may include children with a diagnosis like ASD, ID, PI; some children seeing paediatricians, psychologists, therapists; some migrant children, some children with significant health needs.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability. All Australian schools participate in this annual data collection.

The data provided to the Australian Government is aggregated data only. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. Your child's teacher discusses adjustments with you during parent teacher interviews and at other times they meet with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish your child's details to be included, please let me know. Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the Department's website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html>

Next P&C Meeting – 14 August

The next P&C Meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday, 14 August. All welcome!

Thank You – Woolworths Earn & Learn

Thank you to everyone who sent along *Woolworths Earn & Learn* stickers last Term. The program has now concluded and a variety of resources suitable for Prep to Year 6 students have been ordered.

TRIVIA
Night

Test your knowledge for a chance to win great prizes.

Form a team for a table of six. Individuals or couples welcome and can be joined with others to form a team on the night - if you wish.

7pm Start. **3 August 2019**
\$10 per person includes tea and coffee.
Finger food available. Bar open.

Helidon RSL
7 Arthur Street, Helidon Qld
To be sure of a table Ph.(07)46976508
Or come along and pay on the night.

Same Day Absence Notification

If your child will be absent from school, please notify the school before 9.00am by phoning 46975193. If the Office is unattended, please leave a voice message.

School Bus Contact Phone Number

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.

Book Club

Book Club order forms are attached. If you would like to place an order, payment can be made by:

1. **Cheque** payable to **Scholastic Australia**. Attach cheque to order form and return to the school **OR**
2. **Credit Card** – Our school is now in the LOOP. Follow the instructions on the order form. There is no need to return anything to the school.

If you wish to place an order and need assistance with the ordering process do not hesitate to contact Helen in the office. Orders need to be placed by Tuesday, 6 August.

Be Prepared... to hop into adventure!
Joey Scouts (5 - 7)

JOEY SCOUTS

adventure

Do you know how to cook chocolate spiders or make frog puppets? Can you build monsters and spaceships from recycled items? Have you ever grown a plant or hiked in the bush?

These are all things you can learn when you are a Joey Scout!



friends

Joey Scouts are boys and girls aged five to seven who like having fun and making friends!

When you join Joeys you'll be part of a Mob. You'll play games, read stories, sing songs and do craft activities.



nature

You'll find out about nature and learn about native birds and animals.

You might fly a kite, go bushwalking, go to the beach, or visit a fire station, zoo or farm.



fun

The Joey Scout theme is HOP - Help Other People! You'll learn to jump in and HOP, and to share with your friends. You'll also learn heaps of useful stuff, like what to do in an emergency.

When you join in different activities and learn new things, you and your mates in the Mob can earn special badges to sew on to your Joey Scout shirts.



To start your Scouting adventure, ask your parents to bring you along to the Gatton Scout Den at Woodlands Road, Gatton. Wednesday nights during term from 5pm - 6pm.
 Contact: Karen, our Group Leader, on 0409 646 044

It's all about adventure!
Cub Scouts (8 - 11)

CUB SCOUTS

Cub Scouts is for boys and girls aged 8 to 11 years, and focuses on exploring the outdoors, discovery and learning interesting things!

If you enjoy fun, games and learning new skills then you'll love being a Cub Scout! As well as learning things like how to use a compass, you'll go on bushwalks, bike trips, and have the chance to do things like sailing, canoeing and sometimes even flying!

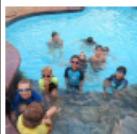
Adventure

Cub Scouts are always having adventures. You might get to go abseiling, rock climbing, go-karting, sailing or canoeing. There's lots of camping to be done, and your Pack might go on a Pack Holiday together to somewhere you've never been before.



Friendship & Belonging

Making new friends and building social skills are very important for Cub Scouts. For some, belonging to Cub Scouts provides an opportunity to mix with a new group of people, developing their confidence and ability to make new friends. Cub Scout families are welcome to get involved too! There's lots of opportunities for the whole family to make new friends and feel part of the Scouting community.



Leadership & Community

Cub Scouts learn valuable life skills such as leadership and taking responsibility for themselves. They are taught the value of citizenship and how to give back to their communities. All these opportunities are provided at Cub Scouts.



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DATES TO REMEMBER



Wednesday	24 July	8.00am - Keyboard Lessons 8.30am - Percussion Lessons
Wednesday	24 July	NO Guitar/Woodwind/Brass Lessons
Thursday	25 July	Swimming Lesson 1
Saturday	27 July	Ma Ma Creek Exhibition
Monday	29 July	School Opinion Survey Online Open
Thursday	1 August	Pre-Prep Group Meets 9.00am to 11.00am
Thursday	1 August	Swimming Lesson 2
Friday	2 August	Options Afternoon 1:45pm to 3:00pm
Thursday	8 August	Swimming Lesson 3
Friday	9 August	Options Afternoon 1:45pm to 3:00pm
Monday	12 August	Gatton Show Holiday
Tuesday	13 August	Tallebudgera Camp Information Session at Helidon SS - 11.00am
Wednesday	14 August	Tuckshop Day
Wednesday	14 August	P&C Meeting - 7.00pm
Thursday	15 August	Pre-Prep Group Meets 9.00am to 11.00am
Thursday	15 August	Swimming Lesson 4
Friday	16 August	Options Afternoon 1:45pm to 3:00pm
Thursday	22 August	Swimming Lesson 5
Friday	23 August	School Opinion Survey Online Close
Friday	23 August	Final Options Afternoon 1:45pm to 3:00pm
Monday	26 August	Tallebudgera Camps Begins
Thursday	29 August	Tallebudgera Camps Ends
Thursday	29 August	Pre-Prep Group Meets 9.00am to 11.00am
Thursday	5 September	Year 3-6 Excursion to "The Twits"
Thursday	12 September	Pre-Prep Group Meets 9.00am to 11.00am
Wednesday	18 September	Tuckshop Day
Friday	20 September	End of Term 3



SWIMMING PERMISSION FORM

I give permission for my child/children, _____ , _____ , _____ , to take part in Swimming Lessons at the Toowoomba Grammar School Aquatic Centre during Term 3, 2019. Students will travel by bus (Gatton Bus Service). I acknowledge that the Department of Education and Training does not have Personal Accident Insurance cover for students.

Parent Name: _____

Signature: _____

*** Please return by Friday, 19 July ***