

## Term 1 Week 9

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Term 1	
Thurs 22 March	Prep – Yr 2 PBL Workshop – Mrs Priaux and Miss Highett attending
Fri 23 March	Zone Cricket/Softball/Kanga Carnival
Fri 23 March	Barn Dance
Tues 27 March	Year 1 and Year 2 Excursion
Wed 28 March	PBL Rewards Activity
Thurs 29 March	Last Day of Term 1

Term 2	
Mon 16 April	Student Free Day
Tues 17 April	Term 2 commences

P & C	
Tues 10 April	P & C Meeting
Fri 23 March	Barn Dance
Sun 25 March	'Ride the Range' fundraiser

To Be Returned ASAP	
Instrumental Music Hire	
Prep – Year 2 Contribution	
Zone Carnival Permission - \$3	
Year 1 and Year 2 Excursion Permission	

## HEALTH NEWS

If your child has developed a cough or is feeling unwell, please take them to the doctor to check that it is not whooping cough. Two students (siblings) from Prep have been diagnosed.

## SWIMMING

Well done to families and students for attending the swimming lessons this term. Looking forward to these excellent numbers in Term 4.

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Prep	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 5/6
82.2%	90%	95.4%	95.6%	93.6%	86.6%	98%

Congratulations Year 6! A great effort!

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**Prep** – Andy for trying really hard to follow the rules and stay on task.

**Year 1** – Kaytee for working hard on all tasks set in class.

**Year 2** – Oliver for working hard to improve his spelling.

**Year 3** – Madison for always following our school expectations.

**Year 4** – Zoe for consistent effort and neat presentation of her work.

**Year 5** – Maharlea for actively participating in all classroom activities.

**Year 5/6** – Hayley for always diligently completing work to the best of her ability.

**Music** – Abby Dormain for enthusiastic participation in Music.

**PE** – Trent Bennett for being a fast and enthusiastic learner doing the dances.

## VISION SCREENING FOR ALL STUDENTS

Notes have gone home with the students who received information about having a 'follow up'. Hopefully the students will be able to visit the optometrist during the holidays.

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

**Expectation: Be a Learner**

**Focus: Participate in Class Activities**

**What do we want?**

- Children to have a go at every set task
- Everyone doing their best and
- Everyone showing pride in their achievement.

**Expected school routine: What does this behaviour look like?**

- Positive attitude to task.
- Co-operation with teachers and peers.
- Children interacting / busy working
- Follow the school bookwork policy/ homework policy
- Participate actively in all educational activities, including sporting events.

## ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE TIMES

Just a reminder that children should not be at school prior to 8:00am unless arrangements have been made with the principal. This is also for afternoon pick-up. If you are going to be late, the principal needs to be informed of this. For students participating in tutoring, a parent/carer needs to be supervising siblings not attending tutoring. Kate's Place offers before and after school care. If you are going to be late, the students will be waiting outside the office.

## SPORT

The T-Ball team had a different mix of players representing the school this week. The team played a more experienced Withcott team. With some superb hitting from our batters and a great fielding effort, the team managed to keep the scores close throughout the game. However, in the end, Withcott came out just ahead of Helidon winning 22 to 19. Cassinda was Player of the Match for a stellar effort in her first ever T-Ball game.

Playing Kanga in very hot conditions and with a different scoring system, Helidon played very well against an equally matched Withcott team. Showing great support for each other and their rivals, Helidon batted and bowled confidently, getting more wickets than Withcott. However, once the scores were tallied, Withcott came out on top 80 to 63. Jake was Player of the Match for his amazing fielding, catching three Withcott players out on the full.

The softball team came up short again this week. Buoyed by the inclusion of Trent, their new import, the

team battled hard. Our best hitter in the game was Hayley and Jorja took a fine catch in the pitcher position. The final score was 11-6 to Withcott. The player of the match was Trent. The team is looking forward to playing T-Ball this Friday at the carnival.

A superbly coached, and well drilled Helidon cricket side, defeated the highly regarded Withcott team by 17 runs. Defending a total of 79, the Helidon team stepped up to the challenge, fielding well and bowling accurately. Jimmy captained the side fantastically. Jackson took a spectacular catch in the outfield and Lachlan got a great caught and bowled. Lots of players got wickets including Jesse, Will, Zandah and Tyler. Player of the match was Jackson Green-Smith who scored 8 runs, and had the bowling figures of 1 for 1 from his two overs. Well done team.

This week, a number of players will be heading to the Zone Kanga, T-Ball and Cricket carnivals. We wish all the players the best of luck. After the holidays, our school cross country will be on. If you are serious about cross country you need to begin training now. Teachers will be taking out the classes for a run in the lead up to the carnival.

## NRL AFTERNOON

Thank you parents for taking your children to participate in the NRL afternoon. The students involved had a great afternoon. Thanks to Mrs Nixon, Mr Clair and Don for helping with the organisation of the teams.

## TERM 2 STUDENT FREE DAY - MONDAY 16 APRIL

A reminder that the first day of Term 2, Monday, 16 April is a special Student Free Day for the Commonwealth Games. On this day, Teachers and Teacher Aides from schools across the Lockyer Cluster will meet at the Lockyer Valley Cultural Centre for a STEAM Conference, **"How Technology, Innovation and Creativity are impacting our Future"**.

## QUEEN'S BATON RELAY - GATTON

Please find the attached flyer about the Queen's Baton Relay which will arrive in Gatton on Thursday, 29 March.

## FREE ACCESS TO E-BOOK LIBRARY

All Helidon State School students now have FREE access to the eBooks Digital Library, which is provided on the 'OverDrive eBooks' platform. It contains over 20500 eBooks, audiobooks and videos, including fiction and non-fiction reading material for students. These can be borrowed and read 24/7 at home, at school, on your PC, laptop or mobile device.

Follow the easy instructions on the attached flyer. Prep, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 students' usernames will be sent home tomorrow. Year 4 – 6 students know their usernames.

## P & C NEWS

Remember the Barn Dance – Friday 23 March.

# Helidon School Fete

## 15 September



## Spelling Bee

### Thursday 29 March

#### Commencing 9:15 am

