Term 3 Week 10
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Term 3
Thurs 17 Sept  TYME (Years 4 and 5 and some Year 6 students)
Fri 18 Sept Soccer/Netball Carnival
Fri 18 Sept Last day of Term 3

Term 4
Mon 5 Oct  Labour Day Holiday
Tues 6 Oct  Term 4 commences
Mon 12 Oct  Students to visit LDHS (if attending next year)
Mon 19 Oct  Student Free Day
Fri 23 Oct  School Musical
Mon 2 Nov  Students to visit LDHS (if attending next year)

P & C
Tues 13 Oct  P & C Meeting

To Be Returned
Year 6 Camp notes
LDHS Enrolment forms – to LDHS

STAFF NEWS
A BIG congratulations to Mrs Graves (and Nathan) on the birth of Maximilian John Graves (aka Max). Max was born at 11:45pm on Saturday weighing 8lb 6oz. Mrs Graves tells us that Mum, Dad and Max are doing well.

A FAREWELL
Mrs Hockin (Helga) has volunteered doing our gardens for the last several years. I am sure that you will agree with me that the grounds have never looked so good! Helga and her husband recently sold their home in Helidon and are relocating to Toowoomba. We wish Helga well in her move and cannot thank her enough for what she has achieved with out gardens. Helga, you will be missed!!!! If anyone can volunteer to give an hour or so every so often to help keep our gardens looking good, please see Heather or Liz – watering, trimming, weeding etc. It would be very much appreciated.

CURRICULUM NEWS
All classes have been busy with end of term assessment pieces. The students have been putting in a great effort to complete the various tasks.

STUDENT ATTENTIVE AWARD
Prep – Kate; Year 1 – Faith; Year 2 – Jake; Year 2/3 – Seth; Year 4 – Leah; Year 5 – Mia; Year 6 – Ari. Next week these students will be sitting in the ‘best seats in the house’.

PBAs (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AWARD)
The winning house was Jacaranda! Our PBA winners are Kai (Jacaranda) and Tayla (Wattle). Congratulations!

TABLE TENNIS COMPETITION
The annual table tennis competition was held during the week. Our girl champion is Kayleigh. Congratulations Kayleigh! The finals were held this afternoon between Jude and Aaron. Aaron defeated Jude in a tough competition. Congratulations Aaron! The final was played on our new table tennis table.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
I collected the ‘Earn and Learn’ boxes from The Ridge and The Range Shopping Centres. There were several thousand stickers in each box. We are very grateful that we received so much support from shoppers. I don’t know the final total yet.

SOCCER/NETBALL CARNIVAL
This is on tomorrow. The students are looking forward to a good day of sport.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS’ AWARD
Congratulations to Lexie!

SCHOOL MUSICAL 2015
Every class is busy getting organised for the Musical. Don’t forget to keep this date free.

FRIDAY
23 OCTOBER

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Prep – Isaac for good listening skills and for trying his best in writing.
Year 1 – Jacob for being a friendly and enthusiastic class member.
Year 2 – Jazmine for good results in 3 minute madness and spelling.
Year 2/3 – Layne for working quietly and responsibly.
Year 4 – Ky for always putting in a fantastic amount of effort during all maths lessons.
Year 5 – Rose for her great effort with her narrative writing and Powerpoint presentation.
Year 6 – Riley for reading accurately with good comprehension.
Music – Clint for beautiful singing in class.
Our Students of the Week

PARENT TALK MAGAZINE
Click on the link below to view the Parent Talk Magazine.


MATHEMATICS COMPETITION
Congratulations to our students who attended the competition. Thanks Mrs Wiseman for driving the Year 5s to the event. The Year 5 students (Jude, Alex, Sam and Maddy) tied for second place in the Year 5 competition. Well done! Thanks to Gatton SS for organizing the event and we look forward to participating next year.

TERM 3 PBA WINNERS
At the end of the term, we tally up the number of PBAs that each student has received. The winning students from Jacaranda and Wattle from each class choose a prize (book). This term’s winners are:

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Congratulations to the above students and well done to all students who received PBAs (Positive Behaviour Awards).

LOCKYER DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL VISITS
For students attending Lockyer District High School, visits to the school are Monday 12 October and Monday 2 November, both from 1:30pm. Prior to these visits, enrolment forms must be completed and given to the High School. Students received these forms when the High School visited the Year 6s recently. If you did not receive an enrolment package, and your child will be attending LDHS, there are some packages available from the office.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2016
If you know of anyone wishing to enrol their children for Prep (or any year level) for 2016, please ask them to come to the office.

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATES
This term, I will be giving certificates to our students who have attended 96%, 98% and 100% this term. The children will receive the certificates on Friday. At this stage (data up to Tuesday of this week), 47% of our students have attended school 96% or above this term.

Everyday Counts

YEAR 5 CAMP
Seven of our Year 5 students attended the recent school camp. The students said that they had a fantastic time. Apart from the very enjoyable activities that the students are involved in, they also learn to work together. Thanks Mrs Dorge for accompanying the students.

PREP 2016 TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM
Our 2016 Preps should receive a letter during the holidays. If they don’t receive their letter, it may mean that we don’t have them on our list. If this is the case, please see Heather in the office early next term. If you know of anyone with a prep student that they wish to enrol, ask them to come to the office. The Pre-prep visits will commence in Week 2.

EARLY LEARNERS’ GROUP (PLAYGROUP)
Mrs Zupp continues to provide some wonderful experiences for the youngsters (and their mums/dads). If you have young children at home, we encourage you to come along and be part of the group. There is no cost associated with the activities and you do not have to join the Playgroup association, as we operate through the school. The next Early Learners’ Group will be on Wednesday 8 October. The playgroup ‘shed’ now has air conditioning! We still refer to the building as the ‘Playgroup Shed’, but it is one of the nicest ‘sheds’ around!

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING
With the holidays approaching, we have made this week’s expectation ‘Travel Safely’. We want our students to:
• Travel safely to school
• Cross the road safely
• Wear a helmet while riding bike/scooter/skateboard
• Wear a seatbelt while travelling in a car
• Don’t talk to strangers
• Go straight to your destination after school

Expected school routine: What does this behaviour look like?
• Walking/riding on the footpath/grass
• Walking bikes/scooters across the road
• Wearing helmets
• Wearing a seatbelt
• Looking right, left, right before crossing the road

I ask parents to please set a good example and use the school crossing. I do realise that it may be quicker to just ‘run’ across the road near where the car is parked. Children do learn by example and although you may feel that it is safe to ignore the crossing in School Street, it may not be safe to ignore the crossing in Ruthven Street or a busy street in Brisbane.
Also, just a reminder not to park in the staff carpark.

**P & C NEWS**

Raffle – tickets for the raffle will be available from tomorrow. Please see Heather or Donna to collect the small booklets. Tickets are $1 each. It is a multidraw raffle. Prizes will be published when they are finalized. Recipe Books – just a reminder that we have recipe books for sale at $12 each. These are great books with lots of fantastic recipes.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

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**Basketball Sign on Day**

Tuesday 6th October

Gatton Sports & Aquatic Centre

14 years & Under 4pm
18 years & Under 5pm
18 years & Over 6pm

Bring a group of 5 or more to form a team or just come along and we will find you a team.

Enquiries call Angie on 0406 524856

From age 11 or above. Everyone Welcome!

$10 Registration Fee (for new players) $5 per game