Term 3 Week 6
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STAFF NEWS
Mr Collingwood will be back with us on Monday. We thank Mr Pratt for working with the Year 5 class for the last 4 weeks. Mr Collingwood is looking forward to returning to the Year 5 class.

Mrs McLean will be working on Fridays taking the Year 3/4 class. A big thanks to Mrs Lethbridge for having the class. Mrs Lethbridge will still be with us on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Ms Younger and her Year 1 class have welcomed Miss Brooke Hager to the class for the next 3 weeks. Miss Hager is a student teacher from the USQ.

JUNIOR CHOIR
The Junior Choir (Year 2/3 and Year 3/4) will be performing at TYME (Today's Youth in Music Education) at the USQ on Thursday 18 September. The students will travel by bus and a morning tea will be provided. They will return to school around 1:30pm and have a late lunch. The school is covering the cost of the bus and morning tea. The choir is now led by Mrs Sugden and Miss Hughes. This week they were very fortunate to have some expert choir leaders. Clare Birchley (a local Helidon lady), Sara van Tricht and Nicolette Harper have volunteered to assist Mrs Sugden and Miss Hughes in preparing our choir for the performance at TYME. All 3 are music students at the USQ. We appreciate them giving their time to assist.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS’ AWARD
Congratulations to Leah!

PBAAs (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AWARD)
The winning team this week is Wattle! Our Jacaranda PBA winner is Megan and the Wattle winner is Cameron. Congratulations!

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Prep – Faith for being a happy and helpful classmate.
Year 1 – Isaac for persevering with his independent writing task and producing a wonderful character description.
Year 1/2 – Sean for being an enthusiastic learner.
Year 2/3 – Toby for his fantastic effort in his spelling this week.
Year 3/4 – Emily for always putting in an excellent effort with her homework.
Year 5 – Connor for a great improvement in class participation and behaviour.
Year 6/7 – Sebastian for being responsible and organised with his homework.
Music – Destiny for creating interesting vocal effects in music lessons.

CHESS COMPETITION
Some of the senior students are involved in a chess competition. We are searching for the top 8 chess players to participate in a chess competition in Toowoomba. The team should be selected by next newsletter. The competition is on the 2 September.

Below is a photo of the Student Council members with the large chess pieces that they purchased with their funds. They are standing on the newly painted ‘chess board’.

STUDENT ATTENTIVE AWARD
Congratulations to the following students: Blaze (Prep); Brianna (Year 1); James (Year 1/2); Johanna A (Year 2/3); Alesha (Year 3/4); Ari (Year 5) and Ben B (Year 6/7). Next parade, they will be sitting in the best seats in the house!

SWPBS NEWS
This week we are focusing on ‘Keeping Tidy’. We want our school to be clean and tidy. Ways of achieving this include keeping rubbish in lunchboxes until time to leave the eating area and then placing in the bin, picking up rubbish around the school, putting rubbish into the class bins, using recycling bins when appropriate.

YEAR 1 AND 1/2 EXCURSION
Year 1 and 1/2 students will attend an excursion to the Showgrounds as part of the Ag Ed program. This is on Tuesday 2 September. Notes (permission and costing) will be sent out next week.

ATHLETICS’ DAY
The Lockyer Zone Carnival is tomorrow. Good luck to our team. Thanks parents for taking the students across. Mr Clair and Mrs Dorge will be accompanying the team.

HELIDON CRICKET CLUB
Helidon Cricket Club has invited local schools to nominate for the 8th Annual Helidon Cricket Club Super 8s Cricket Carnival to be held on Friday 29 August from
9:30am to 2:00pm. Once again, representatives from Queensland Cricket and the Helidon Cricket Club will run the day and provide all the equipment. School staff and parents will assist. The aim of the day is for children to learn to play cricket and have plenty of fun along the way.

Teams will be organised next week. Mr Clair will send permission notes home to the selected players. Mr Clair will accompany the students.

**BUSH POET VISIT**
On Wednesday 3 September, Bush Poet, Marco Gliori will visit the school. He will do a presentation for all students and then work with the upper students in producing some poetry. The school will cover the cost of this presentation and workshop. If you don’t want your child to be involved, please contact the school.

Go to the link below to find out more about Marco Gliori.

http://marcogliori.com/

**STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS**
Treat Day is happening on Thursday 28 August. Also on that day, you can dress up as your favourite book character. There are lots of great prizes.

Notes for treat day went home on Tuesday. They must be returned by Tuesday 26 August for ordering purposes.

**BOOKFAIR**
Monday 25 August – Friday 29 August
Lots of great books for purchase.
The more books we sell, the more books we can buy for the library.

**ASBESTOS TRAINING**
At the next P & C Meeting (9 September), there will be a 30 minute session on Asbestos in Schools. This is an interesting session about asbestos in schools and procedures involved in the removal of asbestos and the do’s and don’ts of suspected asbestos in a school setting. All schools must provide an Asbestos Training session for P & Cs each year. This has only come in recently.

**SECOND HAND UNIFORMS**
If you have any uniform items that you could donate to the school, it would be much appreciated. We particularly need boy’s shorts, sizes 4 – 8 and polo shirts.

**HEAD LICE**
Keep checking for headlouse!

**P & C NEWS**
The next meeting is on Tuesday 9 September at 3:00 pm in the library.
Recipe books are now for sale at $12. Lots of good, easy, family recipes……. There is a copy in the office for perusal.

**LIBRARY VAN VISIT**
Thursday
11 September

**HELDON COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP**
Tuesdays 9:00 am – 11:00 am.
Come along and enjoy the morning. Singing, dancing and craft activities will be happening next week.

Come along and enjoy the morning with fun interaction for you and your child. For more information phone the school on 46129222.

**UPPER LOCKYER LITTLE ATHLETICS**
2 free trial/sign up days are being held on the 5th and 12th September. The club meets at Springbrook Park in Withcott from 4pm – 6pm on Fridays. For more information call Matthew on 0414243713.