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**NAPLAN**

The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will take place for students across Australia in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 over three days, Tuesday 10 – Thursday 12 May (Week 5). NAPLAN requires students to complete a number of tasks relating to skills and understanding in the areas of reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. It provides us with an opportunity to obtain feedback about student performance on tasks which have been specifically developed for this national testing program. 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.

The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to reassure your child that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can. It is very important that your child gets a good night’s sleep during the NAPLAN days, a healthy breakfast and be on time to school. There is only one catch up day allowed and that is on the Friday. It adds to a student’s stress if they have to do these tests alone on this day so please ensure your student is in attendance on all three days.

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**LAKER NEWS**

*From our Principal, Ms Sandra Wright*

**ANZAC Parade**

A huge thank you to all students, parents and staff that attended the ANZAC parade in Gatton on Monday. Our students in their white and blue uniforms always make an impression when they are together and this day was no exception. Many compliments were received on how beautifully they presented and marched. Including our little mascot, Maddison Van Den Ende, dressed in the Laker uniform. Our school leaders did a sensational job of keeping everybody together. Matisse Gehrke and Hanna Westwell were a perfectly matched pair of captains laying our wreath and displaying a high level of respect as they moved around the memorial. Well Done Girls!

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**ABCs Of Student Success**

**A**
is for ATTENDANCE.

Attendance is a critical factor in any child’s school success. Children should attend school every day, except in cases of illness or emergency. It is impossible to replace the learning that happens on any school day with make-up work. Regular attendance and promptness are good habits that are expected and appreciated at all levels of schooling and in the workplace. This year, make school a priority in your household. Commit to excellence in attendance. Your child’s future depends on it!

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**ABCs Of Student Success**

**B**
is for BEDTIME.

Awwww, Mom! Already? Sound familiar? On average, children need 8 to 10 hours of sleep each night. Sleep is important for many reasons. Lack of sleep can cause kids to be hypersensitive, impatient, or cranky. It is more difficult for children to concentrate and learn when they are tired. (Some doctors even believe that during sleep the brain “files away” what is learned during the day.) Encouraging quiet activities -- such as reading -- just prior to bedtime offers a transition that helps children relax. Sweet dreams!

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**SPORTS CARNIVAL**  
**Thursday 9 and Friday 10 June** will be our annual LCSS Sports Carnival. Thursdays events are for our students in Yr 4/5/6 and they we compete in the high jump, 200m and the 800m events.  
Fridays events are for the whole school and all parents/carers are very welcome to attend.  
Students can wear a shirt in their house colours.  
Clarendon Koalas - White, Lockyer Lions - Blue. If you are unsure of you child's house, please see the office.

**Readers Cup:**  
**Friday 17 June** five students will form a team and represent our school this years Readers Cup Challenge at Lowood. Good Luck to Alex D, Huong V, Sabelle U, Laura E, & Brenton M.  
Ms Hohn will be conducting Readers Cup Meetings to assist the children in their practise for this event.

**Brad Heck – Tennis Coach**  
Hello, my name is Brad Heck. I commenced coaching tennis with students of the school in 2015 following a request from Mal Anderson to continue his good work in previous years. I live near Fernvale with my wife, Jeanette, where my parents enrolled me in tennis coaching in primary school. I have been enjoying playing tennis for 45 years, commencing with playing fixtures in Ipswich, and then with many clubs around Queensland. I have been successful at several regional tournaments and fixture competitions, and continue to play regularly for enjoyment. I have been teaching tennis for around 20 years, commencing with my own children and as a volunteer assistant to Harry Redgrave at the Gatton Tennis Club. Following a career in the rural water industry, in 2013 I became a qualified Development Coach with Tennis Coaches Australia. Since then I have been coaching with Tall Gums Sports Centre at Walloon on a part time basis. I coach twice weekly at Gatton, and weekly at Laidley, Lake Clarendon, Fernvale and Walloon. I am also the secretary of the Lockyer District Tennis Association and run the junior Hot Shots program in Gatton. Tennis is a great game that can be played for life, and I really enjoy the opportunity of introducing children to the sport, seeing them having fun and facilitating their individual progression to their optimum ability. I currently coach at the school at 8am on Tuesdays, and all ages are welcome to join in. A 45 minute group lesson costs $12 per student. If you would like to discuss tennis at any time, please call me on 54266150 or 0435562578.
ANZAC Service

Thankyou to everyone who attended the ANZAC Day march in Gatton. Our students marched with pride and really stood out in their white and blue uniform.

WORDS FROM MRS STUART

Word on the Street

We all like to be appreciated! Let your children know that you appreciate their efforts. Encourage your children to show their appreciation with a smile, thumbs up and a thank you.

Students are asked to set personal goals to help them see where they are going and what they are achieving. Talk with your children about their goals.

Word of the Street Week 3 appreciate

Action a smile and thumbs up

It means ...... When you are really pleased about something someone has done.

How it can be used ......

* Thank you for helping me with my work – I really appreciate it.

Other words ..... appreciated appreciates appreciating appreciative unappreciated

Word of the Street Week 4 goal

Action hand showing an upper level

It means ...... Something you hope to get or to do.

How it can be used ......

* He practised his spelling words every night to achieve his goal of 10 out of 10 on the test.

Other words ..... goals

** To improve children’s vocabulary ask “who, what, when, where, why and how” questions.

Special Thankyou to Michelle Van Den Ende’s mum, from the Brassell Florist, for making us two beautiful wreaths to use for the ANZAC Parade at School and the ANZAC march in Gatton.
X-Country
Well done to all the students who ran in the annual X-Country held here at Lake Clarendon. The results are published below. The top five finishers of children born in 07, 06, 05, 04, are able to participate at the Lockyer Zone Competition. Please note that children born in 2008 are not eligible to participate in this event.
This year the venue will be on Friday 13th May at Lake Apex. Students have received a note to indicate their interest and a map of the track. Please let the office know if your child won’t be attending as we need to register them before the event.

Parents are responsible in getting their children to this event and there is also a $7.00 nomination fee payable to the school prior to the event.

Laidley Combined Churches Dinner
Date: Friday 13th May
Where: Laidley Cultural Centre
Time: 6pm for a 6.30 meal
Theme: Children are our Future
Tickets: Families $40
Adults $18
Pensioners & High Sch Students $15
Primary Sch Students $10
Tickets! Call 0414944462

Fun entertainment of skits, singing & more.

Proudly supporting School Chaplaincy
In the Lockyer Valley
For further information please see Chappy!

PROJECT CLUB NEWS
HAIR TIES
Hair ties available in our house colours. We will be selling Lockyer and Clarendon hair ties for $4.00. They are available from the office or see Abby, Matisse or Hanna. The school hair ties are also still available for $4.00.

MINI FREDDO JELLY’S
50c
For sale this Friday
Front of School
All proceeds to School Project Club

P&C Raffle
Due to the Public Holiday on Monday we will extend the return date of our raffle tickets. If all tickets sold or unsold can be returned to the blue box by Wednesday 4 May. The raffle will then be drawn on Friday 6 May. If you would like any extra tickets to sell they are available at the office or see Lisa D.

School Banking
This term Dollarmite School Banking are running an activity for any students who makes five or more deposits between week 1 & week 9. These students will go into a draw to Win a Dollarmite prize pack.

This Pack Consists of:
1x Slapband Ruler, 1x Inflatable ball, 1x Money Box, 1x Computer Mouse Mat, 1x Library Bag, 1x Toy Keyring

If you require a start up pack please see Melissa B

Thankyou Ms Hohn
On behalf of the students we would like to thank Ms Hohn for her time and commitment to helping us train for our cross country on Tuesday mornings in Term 1.

Thank you from the School Sports Captains
CHAPPY’S CORNER

Life can be extremely fast paced, just look at the current date - wow 2nd term already! We live in a NOW society with quick answers, immediate action and speedy solutions. So for the fans of Dr Google, the instant info from the internet and long hours at work, how does one cope with the complimentary stress which seems to come with our lifestyles. Easy, plan some down time on a regular basis. This can be in the form of complete rest or in a hobby which allows our minds and bodies to relax and focus on a variety of interests. So what are you waiting for... sit down with a calendar and start pencilling in some dates for your health!

Quotes

It's not stress that kills us, it is our reaction to it. H Selye.

Stress is not from what goes on around you, but your thoughts about what is going on. The right amount of stress is a great motivator Exercise has the ability to reduce stress in your life.

Finally... maintaining a positive attitude fights the ability of stress to affect you.

Naturopath

Hi everyone my name is Lisa and I am a registered naturopathic practitioner I am offering a 1 hour intensive Naturopathic health consultations at the Plainland Natural Health Clinic. This includes Iridology, Blood analysis, Nutritional assessment, Zinc testing. And other Naturopathic testing. Consultation fee is $60 and health care rebates are available All health concerns excepted. If you have any questions or would like to make a booking please contact me on: 0400060202. I look forward to helping you to better health.