This Saturday will be an exciting community event, with St Helens hosting our annual Family Field Day from 10am to 2pm.

Classrooms are buzzing with excited anticipation as a number of fun carnival style stalls have been organised including marble races, chocolate coin toss, hook a duck, nerf knock ‘em downs, show bags, the prep bottle stall, lucky dips, target the teacher and a plant stall. The community will have the opportunity to participate in these and a wide variety of other fun exciting games under the covered area. We encourage families to visit as many of the classroom activities as possible, with all funds raised by these stalls going back to the classrooms.

A number of brilliant food stalls have been organised for the day including wood fired pizza, hot chips, ice cream and of course the student council steak burger and sausage sizzle.

As with previous years, the oval will have a number of show style rides that students can utilise. If you are wanting to pre-purchase tickets for these rides please visit the office this week, they are available for $30 or $32 on the day.

Our wonderful, hardworking P&C will continue to sell tickets for the grand prize raffle, which will be drawn later in the afternoon. If you still have outstanding ticket books please return them to the school office ASAP please.

The cake stall will be run under the shelter next to the hall. A big thank you must go to Kelly Scougall and Myschel Tindale for all their baking wonders. I would also like to thank the families who donated ingredients or baked goods, these items will go a long way to raise money for the P&C.

We have attached a copy of the map so that parents can see exactly where the different attractions can be found. We anticipate a fun family day that focuses on strengthening the already fantastic community feel that we have at St Helens.

Finally I feel it is important to say a massive thank you to Alison Truscott for all of her work behind the scenes. She has liaised with the school and a number of outside organisations to ensure that we have a fun and exciting day.

Queensland Cricket Player Blitz

Last Friday we were lucky enough to have two cricketers visit our school and join in activities with the Year 4-6 students. Grace Harris has represented Australia while Jason Floros has played for Queensland. You may have seen both players on television in their respective Brisbane Heat sides. The students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity!
Interschool Chess Tournament

Last Wednesday St Helens chess players participated in the last Interschool chess tournament for the year. It was held at Tinana State School and teams from as far as Gympie and Kingaroy participated in the event. St Helens Team 1 finished a close 4th, just half a point behind third place. Merit ribbons for top players were awarded to Mitchell Whitaker, Kyle Hemming, Tyler Kuss and Zeak Johnstone. Well done to all players this year.

Interschool Sport

Students in Year 5 & 6 will commence Interschool Sport this week. Students are required to have their completed permission/medical forms to the office by Thursday. The bus is $3 each week. Students will only be participating for 3 out of the 4 weeks due to camp next week.

Mary Poppins Literary Competition

Just a reminder for those students in Year 3-6 that have taken a form from their teacher and are participating in the Mary Poppins Literary Competition. All entries are due back to the school by Monday 29th August. They can be handed to either Mr Hansen or Mrs Thiele.

Adopt-A-Cop News

Last week I visited the school and spoke to Grade 1’s and 2/3R about Road Safety. Road signs and travelling in vehicles safely. The Prep students have also participated in the road safety talks a few weeks ago. Did you know that it’s Queensland Road Safety Week from 22–28 August? The week only happens in Queensland and this is its second year. It was interesting to listen to some of the students talk about what their parents do when they are driving the car. One of the most valuable things you can do as a parent or carer, is to set a good example to your child by driving safely and talking about how to stay safe around our roads.

Seatbelts and child restraints — Show some restraint

- No matter how short your journey, always wear your seatbelt.
- Make sure children are always properly restrained.
- Remember, the driver is responsible for all passengers buckling-up.

The current ticket for not wearing a seatbelt or not restraining your passengers correctly is $365.00
Booster seats are to be used by children until they are 7 years of age. Children under the age of 7 are not to occupy the front seat unless all other seats (2nd row) are occupied by children younger than 7. This is also a $365.00 fine.

I was also told by some students that mum and dad smoke in the vehicle. If a person is smoking in a motor vehicle with a person under 16 in the vehicle, the current fine is $243.00.

For more information about a range of events around the state and how you can become involved to Speak Up For Road Safety, visit www.JoinTheDrive.qld.gov.au

Enter the “Road safety in my town” art competition in your school

Students can also enter a state wide competition to win an IPAD for themselves and an IPAD for their classroom. I handed out some posters to the classes I visited. If other students are interested, they can collect a picture from Mrs Southall in the office or you can go onto the website and print it yourself.

To enter the competition, have your children finish the picture and then have a parent, teacher or Adopt a Cop upload the artwork to Instagram or Twitter including the hashtag #SpeakUpSelfie in the comment (must be from a public account) or post it to the Join the Drive Facebook page. Entries need to be uploaded by 28 August.

I also handed out Child Safety Handbooks to the Grade 6 students that are provided by Police Legacy. The students will hopefully find some of the information contained in the book beneficial to them.
The Golden Rule
At St Helens we talk about our values on a daily basis, we try exceptionally hard to encourage our students to utilise these skills in their day to day lives. When we look at our three values, integrity, respect and commitment they boil down to one golden rule: “Treat others how you want to be treated.”

This saying goes far beyond simply being kind to people, or going out of your way to be available or helpful to those in need. Yes, you would want others to assist you in a bind or be pleasant even in an unfavorable circumstance. But there are many ways to create equality in your world that may go completely unnoticed by others. It’s really just about adjusting your views and attitudes.

Instead of just treating others the way you would want to be treated, think about others the way you would want to be thought of. Feel about others the way you would want others to feel about you. Speak to others the way you would want to be spoken to or spoken of.

I think this is a poignant reminder for all our students, and ask that parents have a conversation with their children about this concept.

2C Fairy Garden Raffle
Win this whimsical fairy garden for yourself or a special little person.
$1 a ticket or 6 tickets for $5.
Tickets sold at front gate from 2:45 – 3:05 and outside 2C’s classroom in D block from 8:30 in the morning.
Drawn at 2 pm on Family Field Day.

Uniform Reminder
I would like to take this time to remind parents and students of our uniform expectations. Last week I spoke about the requirements of each student to ensure they come to school wearing the appropriate, endorsed school uniform. I ask that parents continue to be vigilant and appreciate your continued support with this expectation.

Coming Soon - Australia! Story Country - Book Fair!
16th - 20th August
Please help support our library by coming and purchasing a book from our book fair. All books are new and with each purchase our library benefits.

Date: Tue 16th to Sat 20th
Time: 8:15am – 9am before school
2:45pm – 3:45pm after school
All day Saturday at the field day
Place: Library

Same Day Absences Notification
The school will be implementing a mobile phone texting system that notifies parents when their child has been marked as absent on the school roll. This system will allow parents to text back with reasons for the absence so that our documents can be updated and amended. This process is designed to keep both parents and the school informed about student absences and is in alignment with Education Queensland’s same day absences notification policy. More information will be made available in the coming weeks regarding when the system will be operational.

Tuckshop
The next full tuckshop will be 30th of August. More information next week.

Dinner Table Topics
Prep Possums & Wombats – We are having a great time visiting Antarctica this week. Ask your child if they know the names of the penguin species that live in Antarctica!

Year 1A – Thanks for your chocolate donations for family field day, we look forward to seeing you on Saturday!
Year 1B – Just a friendly reminder that homework and camera words are to be brought to school each Friday.

Year 2B - A big thank you to all of the families who have sent in softdrinks for our Family Field Day Quoits Stall. I look forward to seeing everyone this Saturday!
Year 2C - This week the children are beginning a new English unit on informative texts. They begin this unit by comparing the features of narratives with informative texts. The children will find out that some narratives contain factual information. Thank you to all the families who have supplied seedlings for our plant stand at the Family Field Day. It is very much appreciated.

Year 2/3R – Thank you so much to the families who have already kindly donated prizes for our spinning prize wheel. Donations are still welcome and much appreciated. Could be anything from fun size chocolates, new kids toys, books or beauty trinkets (hand creams, nail polishes). I look forward to seeing you all on Saturday!

Year 3F – Thank you for your donations, see you Saturday.

Year 3N – A huge thank-you to all the families who have donated prizes for our class stall. We are overwhelmed at your generosity! Hope to see you all on the weekend!

Year 4M – Come One! Come all! We will be selling show bags again this year at the Family Field Day. These will be on sale for $7 each on the C Block verandah (near the big shed). Also bring some spare change to throw to the busker!

Year 4S – The students are excited to be beginning their own reviews on chosen books, movies or games this Term. For the remainder of the Term students will be presenting to the class every Friday. Most students have volunteered to begin this process and it gives them the valuable experience of speaking in front of their peers.

Year 5H – Your child is learning about 3D shapes and their properties in Maths. Ask them how many different 3D shapes they can name.

Year 6P– We are looking forward to seeing as many people as possible at our ‘Target the Teacher’ stall this weekend. Please remember that year 5/6 camp money is due today also.

COMMUNITY NEWS

OZTAG SIGN ONS

Sign on for Maryborough Oztag 2016 Summer Season will take place at Doon Villa Football Club on Monday 29th August from 4pm until 6pm (juniors) and 6pm until 7(pm (seniors). Divisions are available for boys and girls from Under 6 -15 and Mixed, Mens and Ladies for senior divisions. Both teams and individuals, or groups of friends are welcome. Let us find you a team if you don’t have one! Lots of passing, running, kicking, tagging and try scoring! Oztag can be played by everyone, not just the gazelles and greyhounds! So stop standing around thinking about it, come and join the other 150 000 registered Australian players and "GET TAGGED – YOU’LL LOVE IT" Go to www.maryboroughoztag.com or call 0414893840 for all of the info, you can even register yourself or your team online from the comfort of your lounge chair! Our Venue Coordinators are waiting to assist you in every way possible.

TENNIS

Free Come and Try Days in August and September. (Not during school holidays).

Have fun playing Doubles or Singles with your friends. When 3-5pm Saturdays

Where Alice St courts

Am I Good Enough? Definitely. Three different stages, Red, Orange and Green. We will place you in a level where you have fun.

Enquiries please contact Bruce Rayner 0408740418
Trivia night

Prizes for best dressed team and individual
Easy family related questions
A great night out
Drinks and nibbles available for purchase
Bookings: Contact Adam Hodgkinson 41208409 or ahodgson@eq.edu.au

Maryborough State High School

Enrolment Interviews for Year 7, 2017

Easy Enrolment Evening
Join us for your 20 minute enrolment interview for

Where: Term 2, 2017, Wednesdays 9am to 9pm
Enrolment Maryborough State High School Front Office

To Book: Enter your child's name and your contact details

For Tuesday 14 November, 2017
For Wednesday 15 November, 2017
To book: Phone the school on 41251020
## Star of the Week

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<td>Prep Possums</td>
<td>Parx Bull</td>
<td>For working very hard to improve his stretching and blending.</td>
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<td>Travis Lightbody</td>
<td>For working hard during reading and writing this week.</td>
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<td>Year 1A</td>
<td>Jakara-Rose Gibbs</td>
<td>For her positive attitude towards her learning. Keep up the great work!</td>
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<td>Gabrielle Oliett</td>
<td>For displaying the three values while attending eisteddfod.</td>
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<td>Cooper Neilsen</td>
<td>For always showing dedication and commitment to his learning. Outstanding work Cooper!</td>
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<td>Year 2C</td>
<td>Riley Hutchison</td>
<td>The effort and commitment you have demonstrated when writing your procedure.</td>
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<td>Year 2/3R</td>
<td>Tarleyah Doblo</td>
<td>For setting an exceptional standard of being ready to learn every day. Great job!</td>
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<td>Year 3N</td>
<td>Molly Field</td>
<td>For your use of powerful emotive language in your writing. You reduced the class to tears......Outstanding!</td>
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<td>Cillian Scrase</td>
<td>For always giving 100% to every task and leading by example. Well done.</td>
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<td>Aurora Clarke-McCusker</td>
<td>For your committed effort on working to complete money problems this week.</td>
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<td>Year 5H</td>
<td>Chloe McDonald</td>
<td>For always demonstrating respect for those around you!</td>
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<td>Jordi Slatter</td>
<td>For showing determination to improve her spelling and maths. Keep up the great work Jordi!</td>
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<td>Library</td>
<td>Ethan Baker</td>
<td>For borrowing 18 books so far this term. Keep it up!</td>
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St Helens State School

Family Field Day

Saturday 20th August 10am - 2pm

Stalls
Rides
Games
Food & Drinks
Face Painting
Raffles
Cultural Displays

Enquiries: 4120 2222

WIN WIN WIN

Live Music