Cross Country 2016

Congratulations to all students who participated in our annual cross country. It was terrific to see so many parents, grandparents and friends who turned up to watch. Well done to team Morgan on the overall win.

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<th>Class</th>
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<td>Prep</td>
<td>Janae Pedersen</td>
<td>Noah Schwarzrock</td>
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<td>Year 1</td>
<td>Emily Thiele</td>
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<td>Tom Briese</td>
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<td>Chloe Hodges</td>
<td>Lachlan Nitschinsk</td>
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<td>10 Year olds</td>
<td>Chloe Mc Donald</td>
<td>Riley Newman</td>
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<td>11 Year olds</td>
<td>Evie Ross</td>
<td>Mackenzie Kerswell</td>
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<td>12 Year olds</td>
<td>Jasmine Price</td>
<td>Cooper Ambrose</td>
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ANZAC Day

Students have the opportunity to participate in the ANZAC Day march this Monday. Students wishing to participate will be required to wear full school uniform and are asked to meet no later than 8:30am outside of the St Pauls Church on Adelaide St for a 9am start. Students marching will be required to wear a hat and carry a drink bottle. We encourage as many students to represent St Helens in the march. The students will watch the ceremony in Queens Park and at the conclusion can be collected near the Rotunda at approximately 10:30am.

Tuckshop

Tuckshop is back! It will consist of a different meal deal each fortnight. Meal deals will be $5 each. The first tuckshop will be next Tuesday the 26th of April. Order forms and money are due by 9am on Friday up at the office. Please write your child's name, class and teacher on an envelope with money enclosed.

The meal deal for this fortnight will consist of bolognaise in a bread roll and a drink. With a choice of popper or chocolate/strawberry milk.

A home baked treat or icy cup will be available on Tuesday for 50c from the tuckshop after the children have had their lunch.

All meals will be handed out on a re-usable plastic plate. When students are finished they are encouraged to take their plate to the washing up station for cleaning. This is a great way to encourage responsibility and practice recycling. There will be older students to help out with this process.

Parent helpers are needed for Tuckshop! If you are able to volunteer your time on a Friday morning to sort the orders or on a Tuesday to help in the tuckshop that would be greatly appreciated. Please see Mrs Southall in the office.
Maryborough Technology Challenge
Each year St Helens gives students in Year 5 & 6 the opportunity to participate in the Maryborough Technology Challenge. This year students have the chance to compete in Robotics or Solar Boats.
The Challenge is a wonderful way for students to build and demonstrate their teamwork, thinking skills and problem solving skills. It also gives students an opportunity for them to make sacrifices and commit to a task.
Interested students have received an application form and are required to provide a solution to a real life scenario. Applications are due this Friday 22nd April.

This week’s NAPLAN questions:

Year 3: Numeracy
A movie ticket for one adult costs $12. A movie ticket for one child is three-quarters of the cost of an adult ticket. What is the cost of tickets for two children?

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Year 5: Numeracy

Points are scored for each medal won in a competition.

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<td>Bronze</td>
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The Rockets won a total of 16 medals and scored 36 points. 6 of their medals were Silver.

How many Gold medals did the Rockets win? 

Mother’s Day Raffle
Student Council are holding a Mother’s Day Raffle. Tickets will go on sale tomorrow and will be $1 each. Student Council members will be selling tickets near the front gate in the morning before school and in the afternoon at 2.40-3.00. Tickets will also be available from the prep classroom.

Prizes are:
1st prize Mother’s Day hamper
2nd prize Avon mother’s day basket; and
3rd prize is a family movie pass from a@cinemas Maryborough.

Money raised will go toward new play equipment for the junior sandpit. Please see a student council representative if you have any questions.

Book Club
Book Club orders are due this Friday the 22nd of April.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be tomorrow night at 6pm in the library. All are welcome.

School Banking
If your child makes 5 or more deposits with school banking this term, they will go into a draw for a banking prize.

The QSchools app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from Queensland state schools. Information is continually added to this app by our office admin, Emily Southall. One of the easiest ways to view our weekly school newsletter is through this app as well. For more information please look at the link below, it will assist parents with the most effective way to enable the app on your smart phone.

Strings News
Orchestra (non-beginner) students are required to have their own long black dress pants, black socks and black shoes to be worn with the St Helens music polo shirt (to be supplied) for their first performance of 2016 in May. No leggings, jeans or coloured shoes are permitted. Please make moves to having these items very soon as it can be difficult to find the pants to purchase at times.

Thank you, Mrs Hodgkinson.
Change of Details
Please inform the school if you have changed any phone numbers or contact details. Also emergency contact details if you feel that they need to be updated. We need the correct details at all times as this assists us if an emergency arises.

School Absence Line:
4120 2260
If your child is sick or away please call the schools Absence Line.

Dinner Table Topics

Prep Possums & Wombats – We are working very hard to learn our Camera words! We can see them, say them AND write them! Help your child to practise their CAMERA WORDS this week.

Year 1A – In Science we are investigating materials. Explore how many different materials you can find in your kitchen.

Year 1B– Don’t forget to send your child’s memory in for history.

Year 2B - Today students should have come home with a parent teacher interview note. Please return this as soon as possible so that you receive the most convenient time.

Year 2C - This week our class will be reading the book Fox by Margaret Wild and using our knowledge of narrative structures decide which parts of the book are the Orientation, Complication and Resolution. We will also be examining the relationships between the characters and writing a new narrative using one or two of the same characters.

Year 2/3R – We are learning about 2D and 3D shapes, ask them what they know! Also, yesterday I sent home a note regarding parent/teacher interviews, if these could please be returned to school by Thursday, this would be great.

Year 3N – Have you ever considered how much it would cost to buy an iPad for every student at St Helens? Or taken a moment to consider why every child should own a pet? Year 3N students are currently learning how to persuade different audiences to change their opinion on certain topics. The strength of their arguments are crucial for success… Parents, be prepared to face some serious debates at home! Don’t back down to weak arguments!

Year 3F – Homework has started this week.

Year 4M – Fantastic to see the commitment and encouragement shown by the 4M students during the cross country races. Well done.

Year 4S – The students have begun listening and interpreting traditional stories from Asian countries as part of their English Unit. Most students have found these stories fascinating and are excited to write their own versions later in the Term. Could we also please ask for flower donations to be sent in Friday morning for our class wreath for Anzac Day Parade.

Year 5H – A parent/teacher interview letter was sent home yesterday. If you would like to book an interview, please return the slip as soon as possible. Interviews commence Tuesday 27th April.

Year 6P– Well done to all year 6’s on their great effort in Cross Country. In line with our English unit, I am encouraging students to take home a free newspaper and take notice of the language and structure of some of the advertisements.

Reminder: Parent interviews begin this week.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Teacher Aide
3 days per week (9.75 hours)
Permanent Position

Sandy Strait State School

Application Packages are available from the school administration office between 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday to Friday.

Applicants are required to submit a brief resume, contact details for 2 referees (one of whom is your current supervisor) and a maximum 2 page written response outlining your suitability for the role under ‘How You Will Be Assessed’.

Applications close 3.00pm Friday 29 April 2016

Applications will remain current for 12 months.

Applications to be address to:
BSM
Sandy Strait State School
Robert Street
URANGAN QLD 4655

Or email to: bsm@sandstrass.eq.edu.au
Guinea Pigs are at the 2016 Fraser Coast Show

Schedule and entry forms available online at www.frasercoastshow.com.au OR from the Fraser Coast Show Society Office, 84 Gympie Road TINANA, 9:30AM-3:00PM Monday – Thursday.

Entries close 13 May 2016 at 4:00PM. No late entries will be accepted.

Judging: Friday 20 May 2016 10:00AM.

***Guinea Pigs must be healthy and parasite free***

Host an exchange student this July and show off your backyard!

Volunteer to host an overseas exchange student this July and open a world of new experiences for your family. WEP overseas exchange students are wonderful role models for young Australians. The personal rewards and friendships that come from hosting often endure for generations.

Three-time host mum, Di, says, "Hosting has made our children more patient and understanding in their personal relationships. It has opened up their world and inspired them! Being a volunteer host family has brought us closer together and I think it may have something to do with our overall happiness and wholeness as a family!"

All exchange students undergo a rigorous application process. Students attend school full-time, are fully insured and have their own spending money to cover personal expenses.

If you’re interested in finding out more, please contact us as soon as possible. To request an information pack, head to our website, www.wep.org.au, email info@wep.org.au or call 1300 884 733 to speak to our friendly hosting team!

FOR SALE

2 x size 8 dressers, $5 each
1 x size 6 jumper, $5
Please enquire at the office.

2 x size 6 boys dress shirts, very good condition. $15 each or 2 for $20. Please enquire at the office.

Size 13 Mary-Jane school shoes (very good condition) $15
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<td>Alerah Simpson</td>
<td>For excellent story writing using camera words and phonemes.</td>
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<td>Prep W</td>
<td>Miah Boddy</td>
<td>For working hard to learn new words and use them in her reading and writing.</td>
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<td>Kayne Scougall</td>
<td>For an amazing effort towards his writing. Well done!</td>
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<td>Year 1B</td>
<td>Joby-Jye Gibbs</td>
<td>For his positive start towards term two!</td>
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<td>Year 2B</td>
<td>Elouise Sheppard</td>
<td>For the outstanding commitment you put into everything you do at school. Amazing effort Elouise!</td>
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<td>Year 2C</td>
<td>Ava Lightbody</td>
<td>For always being organised on time and for the respect you show to everyone you meet.</td>
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<td>Year 2/3R</td>
<td>Lachlan Presser</td>
<td>For consistently showing great commitment and improvement in his writing. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Matthew Newman</td>
<td>For a great job done with writing tasks this week. Well done!</td>
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<td>Year 3N</td>
<td>William Hanson</td>
<td>For an outstanding improvement in your spelling this year. Keep up the great work!</td>
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<td>Eden Anderson</td>
<td>For demonstrating a positive attitude and commitment to all aspects of schooling.</td>
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<td>Nathaniel Copland</td>
<td>For his outstanding work ethic in the classroom.</td>
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<td>Year 5H</td>
<td>Tahlia Gossip</td>
<td>For your outstanding commitment towards all areas of your learning.</td>
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<td>Lila Robert</td>
<td>For being a positive role model for younger students.</td>
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<td>Library</td>
<td>Zachary Akers</td>
<td>For thinking carefully before answering questions about this weeks story.</td>
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