MEASLES HEALTH ALERT

Queensland Health is concerned about the number of measles outbreaks in Queensland this year. Measles is a highly infectious disease that begins with symptoms such as fever, tiredness, cough, runny nose and/or red inflamed eyes. Measles can lead to complications such as middle ear infections, pneumonia (lung infection) and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain).

Measles can spread very easily. Vaccination is the only way to prevent measles. Queensland Health encourages anyone who has not had two measles-containing vaccinations, or who is not sure about their vaccination status, to get vaccinated as soon as possible. The measles vaccine is free from your local doctor for anyone born from 1966 onwards.

If parents think their child might have measles, they are advised to keep them away from school and make an appointment with a doctor or phone 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) to organise medical assessment.


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P&C Meeting

12 November 6PM S Block

All Welcome

Please come along to our next P&C Meeting on Tuesday 12 November at 6pm. Every voice and opinion is important to us, but we need you to come along to the P&C Meetings to ensure it is heard.

School Uniform Shop

Please be advised that the School Uniform Shop will be closed on the following Wednesdays: 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th November 2013.

Opening Hours for these weeks will be: Tuesday–5th, 12th, 19th, 26th November 2013 from 9:00am – 10:30am.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Debbie Grey - P&C Secretary

All Welcome to attend

Junior Assembly 7 & 21 Nov, 5 Dec
Senior Assembly 14 & 28 Nov, 12 Dec
Market Day/Grandparents morning tea Friday 1 November
Noosa Triathlon Saturday 2 November
P&C Bunning’s Sausage Sizzle Sunday 17 November
Graduation Night 21 November
Junior Concert 27 November
Senior Concert 29 November

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE 5431 4460

Date: Tuesday 12 November
Time: 9.30am – 11.30am
Session: Parents Relaxation
Morning and Morning Tea Location: Caboolture Special School

All parents and children are most welcome to join us. We have a play helper to care for your children so you can relax. Please RSVP by Wednesday 6 November. Phone Rachael on 410 492 181 or email rachael_grace@hotmail.com
This week we celebrate Grandparents Day on Friday 1st November with a special offer at our coffee shop for grandparents. The excerpt below is taken from The Parenting Ideas website and is all about the role grandparents play in the lives of their grandchildren:

Finding your role
One size doesn’t fit all when it comes to being a grandparent. Unlike parenting, your role is undefined. Here are some common grandparenting types. What type are you?

Surrogate parent: raising your children’s children either full-time or part-time. You have to be the disciplinarian and do much of the hard child-rearing work that parents traditionally don’t do.

Spoiler grandparent: who has all the fun and little of the responsibility that comes with being a parent. You get to take your grandkids on great trips, and look after them overnight but enjoy the luxury of handing them back to their parents.

Working grandparent: who still has a busy schedule but enjoys making time for your grandkids. You’d love to have your grandkids over more, but your life is busy and you have to fit kids around your schedule.

Globetrotting grandparent: who is either on a trip or busy planning your next trip around Australia or overseas. Skype, Facebook and Facetime are your best communication friends.

Forever young grandparent: who just loves to keep up with what’s happening in your grandchildren’s lives, using Facebook or any other way that will keep you up-to-date.

The concept of grand parenting is constantly being reinvented to fit the changing circumstances of your life and your family. Whatever grandparent type you are, you’re very special in your grandchildren’s eyes. And children are extremely lucky to have grandparents who are close, loving and understanding.

Deanne Paxton – Deputy Principal

More celebrations: Just yesterday, there were 7 students who have been awarded in their TAFE work and will be awarded a Cert 1 in Conservation and Land Management. This is a great achievement and the work has been well supported by their teachers and our VTE coordinator back at school through their English units.

This week we also welcomed new families into our school for the family orientation session for enrolments for 2014. These sessions will continue and then be supported by student orientation days to support students in their move 1 our school in 2014.

Please take good care of yourselves and your families until next time,
Beth Dowsmore – Principal

P - 3 DEPARTMENT NEWS
These past 2 weeks have been a time of celebration in the P-3 Department! On Sunday I had the privilege of riving the Lionesses of Morayfield Children of Courage Awards. With great pride I watched as Christopher W stood at the front of audience as his story of courage and determination to do his best was read aloud to the crowd. He stood proudly dressed in his black trousers and long sleeved white shirt. When his name was called, Mitchell S wheeled himself to the front of the audience, spinning himself around to face those in attendance. Mitchell clapped and cheered as his story of courage and brav {more...}

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SCHOOL TRANSPORT
Transport changes are a lengthy process, not just involving the school. If your student is requiring a change of pick up or drop off or if you are changing address permanently, please advise the office ASAP and at least 2 weeks before the move. Please expect delays if you have not allowed this amount of time.

Judy Clark – AHead of Curriculum

TRANSITION DEPARTMENT NEWS
As we enter into week five of term four it’s been wonderful to reflect on the growth of students this year. Many of our teaching staff have been congratulating students on their growth in reading and maths levels, students abilities to interact with peers and on growth in the areas of managing emotions.

This term can often be a time of uncertainty in students as they also start to reflect on the year end and what will be happening over Christmas. Also thoughts like who may be my teacher next year? Who will be in my class? The last few weeks of this term we will be working with students particularly on the subject of transition and change. Teachers will be discussing and engaging in the activities that help our students to transition well into holidays and the year ahead.

Over the next few weeks we also have HRE lessons starting, school concert, English and Science assessments and some classes are heading out on excursions.

We look forward to the weeks ahead.
Amanda Turnbull – 7-9 Department Leader

4-6 DEPARTMENT NEWS
MATHS IS EVERYWHERE
The 4 – 6 Department have been discovering that maths is everywhere. Maths can be up, down and around. There are so many things we can count and compare in our school environment and in the local community when we go shopping.

Learning how much and how many ingredients we need for shopping and paying for our ingredients. Math’s can be found in Science. Measuring plants, collecting and evaluating data, counting how many planets there are and learning math’s facts about the planets. Maths can be found in our functional living’s program. Setting the table for the class and measuring ingredients. Maths can be found in our English and literacy groups as well. We can count characters, sequence and compare stories. What a very busy department!

I hope you didn’t feel exhausted listening about all our maths experiences.
Sam Skewes – 4-6 Department Leader

This includes accessing through:
- Modifying year level curriculum content
- Engaging with the General capabilities and extended general capabilities
- Real life experiences

- "Catching Curriculum"

ALL students access the Australian Curriculum. How many Caboolture Special School different pathways are taken so that all our students can engage with the Australian Curriculum.