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A warm welcome back is extended to our students, parents / carers and staff. This school term (our final for 2016) is 10 weeks in duration (Tuesday, 4 October – Friday, 9 December) for students in Prep – Year 9. It is an 8 week term for students in Year 10 (Tuesday, 4 October – Friday, 25 November). There is one pupil free day in the term on Monday, 17 October. I apologise if this causes any difficulties for families, especially those where parents / carers are working.

Last week, I was fortunate to accompany our Year 10 students & those from Killarney to Canberra. The week in our nation’s capital, was filled with exciting educational and recreational activities, with the highlights including:

- our visit to Parliament House;
- Mt Kosciusko National Park and for many, seeing snow for the first time;
- Floriade flower festival;
- Questacon Science and Technology Centre;
- Meeting Sir Peter Cosgrove (Governor General).

Every student came away from Canberra with fond life memories and a deeper understanding of how our federal government operates. I’d just like to add that our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) school values are clearly visible in our students, especially on occasions such as the Canberra excursion. This is evidenced by the multitude of comments our students received for their respect, level of responsibility, safety and willingness to learn new things. The caterers at our accommodation stated that they looked forward to seeing our students each day because of their wonderful manners and conduct. Well done, students!

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**Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)**

Thank you to everyone who responded to our Outside School Hours Care Community Survey. The survey results reflect the need for OSHC and we wish to advise that it is now the school’s intention to go to tender. Tender documents should be available in approx. 6-8 weeks and below is the tender process:

Invitation to Offer (ITO) documents are released to the market on the Queensland Government QTenders website at a time agreed between the school and the DET Procurement Branch. Offerors have the opportunity to submit their response prior to closure - approximately 4 weeks later, before evaluation commences.

To be eligible to submit an offer providers must be current members of the department’s Prequalified Panel (PQP), (DETE101234). Providers are eligible to join this panel at any time. Where a prospective Offeror is not a current member of the PQP they should contact the Procurement Branch on 3034 4712.

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### Prep Compulsory from 2017

The Queensland Parliament recently made important changes to the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006. From next year, it will be compulsory for all Queensland children to undertake the Preparatory (Prep) Year, prior to entering Year 1. The legislation identifies specific exceptions that can be determined by principals on a case-by-case basis. To minimise disruption to schools and families, the new requirement will not apply to children already enrolled in Year 1 for 2017. “We have seen such positive learning outcomes since the introduction of Prep and I am pleased all children will now enjoy this important start to their learning”, the Minister said.

### Library News

Welcome back to Term 4. Borrowing will continue as normal until Week 7. Please remind your students that they need to have a library bag when borrowing books. Our school library will be closed during the last three weeks of term. All books need to be returned by Friday 18th November.

Book Club brochures have now been handed out and need to be returned to school no later than Tuesday 18th October. Thank you for always supporting this amazing venture.

Have a great week.

LEA-ANN WEIER
Spring Fair Thank You

Despite the rain, Allora State School’s P&C went ahead with their Spring Fair on 10 September. To all who attended, helped out and persevered despite the weather; to stall holders, staff and students of Allora State School, all workers and most importantly those who came along and made our Spring Fair such a success – thank you! Lastly, but not leastly, thank you to the 2016 Spring Fair Committee.

A huge thank you goes to all who sponsored our Spring Fair, as we couldn’t have done it without your generosity. Generous Sponsors included: Bill and Vicki Collins, GrainX, Black Toyota, United Petroleum T/a Glenmar Fuels, Redback Cycles, Newlands Group, Warwick Credit Union, Newlands Group, Dalrymple View Apiary Supplies, Wilson and Rigby Panel Beaters, Heslin Bus Transport, Harvey Norman Electrical Warwick, Darren and Jenny Rafton, Spicers Retreat, Allora Butchery, Talk’n Heads Hair Salon, Montrose Farm, Worboys Equine Services, Allora & District Tyres, Allora Hardware, Allora Pharmacy, Allora Newsagency, Cassaz Colour Curls, Danny Lyons Sport, KJ & L Harrison, Friendship Foods and Allora Grain and Milling.

Winner of the Bonza Bike Draw was Sophie McInerney. Raffle winners were announced and have all received their prizes.

Congratulations to Jack D who was the winner of the Danny Lyons Voucher for selling the most raffle tickets - a great effort!

Footy Tipping Competition Results

The Year 10 students take this opportunity to thank all who participated in the Footy Tipping competition to assist with their Canberra fundraising. They had a great time in Canberra last week.

First prize was won by Zita Dwan on 135 points; second by the Griffin Family on 133 points and third, with 132 points, shared three-ways - Andrew Petersen, Brodie Frizzell and Amelia Sutton. Prize money will be distributed shortly.

Lawdogs Excursion

On Friday 16th September, 105 of our Prep-Year 6 students visited “Lawdogs Australia” at The Summit, for our end of Term 3 Positive Behaviour excursion. We were entertained by the current trainee dogs and their handler Matt, in an hour-long show. The students were exceptionally well behaved and told by Matt to be the best school group to ever visit their facility. A big thanks to all of the adults who helped out on the day.

The following students were awarded with certificates on assembly, for demonstrating our school motto, “Always our Best”.

MONDAY 12 September 2016

Prep Alekye F - Excellent progress with grphophonics
Year 1 Thomas W - Contributing to the success of the Spring Fair
Year 2 Marty M - Contributing to the success of the Spring Fair
Year 4 Marty W, Lewis M - Contributing to the success of the Spring Fair
Year 7 Max P - Improved efforts in English
Year 8 Ashley L - Great effort in working on English assessment
Year 9 Ebony S - Always producing neatly presented work
Year 10 Alex L - Excellent efforts in both English and History in Term 3

MONDAY 10 October 2016

Prep Cooper H - Demonstrating respectful sharing and negotiating skills
Year 5 Hamish G - Outstanding efforts in all areas

Congratulations students!
Allora State School P&C Fundraiser 2016

CUSTOMER ORDER FORM

We are selling trays of mangoes picked & packed during the premium harvest.

Cost per Tray is: $25.00
Cost per single mango is: $2.50

NAME: Kristen Henry  PHONE: 0413 943 114  EMAIL: krissy_h02@live.com.au

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*Please note that every effort will be made to deliver your orders on the preferred delivery date, however the occasional delivery may be delayed due to logistical difficulties beyond our control.
Allora State School P&C are selling mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest.

This year you will be able to order single mangoes. For smaller families or those of you who wouldn’t like to order an entire tray.

Once you’ve collected your orders, drop your order form, along with payment into the school office by no later than Monday, Oct 31st (Ask your friends and family if they want orders too so no one misses out!)

The proposed delivery date is Monday, November 28th 2016

$25.00 PER TRAY $2.50 PER SINGLE MANGO

TIPS FOR STORAGE

Mangoes should be stored at room temperature in a shaded or air conditioned area - Ideally 18 - 25°C until they ripen

It is IMPORTANT NOT TO refrigerate until they begin to soften & smell sweet & ready to eat.

Mangoes should be stored at 20°C until they are ready to eat. They should then be placed in the refrigerator where they will keep for another 7 to 10 days.

If you don’t have time to eat them all, try freezing the pulp. It is great for using in smoothies, jams or desserts throughout the year.
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Circle of Security Parenting Series

Presented by:
- Linda Cholawinskyj - BUSHkids (family health support worker)
- Tanya Jones - Mercy Community Services - Connected Families Program (Family Support Worker)

Sponsored by: Mercy Community Services and BUSHkids

Location: BUSHkids Centre, 191 Wood Street, Warwick

Dates: Commencing Monday 17 October for approximately 8 weeks

Times: 9:30am to 11:00am

Cost: FREE of charge

Who is it for: Parents and caregivers

To register: Phone Tanya 0428 919 669 or Linda 4667 1200

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1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching Parent Course

Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-10 years old, including how to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking, how to sort behaviour, choosing your strategy, using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour, how to handle challenging and testing behaviours and 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour.

A three-session program for parents and carers with 2 course options available.

Day time: Wed 2, 9 & 16 November from 12:30 to 3pm
Night time: Wed 2, 9 & 16 November from 6 to 8pm

Please note that there is no childcare available.

**Course cost - FREE.** Register for this course by contacting BUSHkids Warwick on 4667 1200
Prep has new Toys

Prep students were very excited to receive new toys recently. Here are a few photographs of them enjoying them.

![Image of Prep students playing with toys] (Image 1)

For Dads - Family Transitions Triple P
(positive parenting after separation and divorce)

Family Transitions Triple P seeks to increase parent competence and confidence in managing changes associated with separation and divorce. It is a 5-week course, with the course commencing on Tuesday 18 October at BUSHkids in Warwick, from 12:30pm to 2:00pm and will continue over the following four weeks on Tuesdays (25/10, 1/11, 8/11 & 15/11). Contact 4667 1200 to book your spot. BUSHkids is located at 191 Wood Street, Warwick.

Girls Empowerment Workshop

Date: 29 October 2016
Time: 9:00am to 4:00pm (includes morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea)
For: Ages 15 to 20 years
Cost: FREE
Places: Limited to only 20 places
Venue: Cafe Jacqui’s, 8 Albion Street, Warwick
What: Make up, health, beauty, nutrition and fun
Contact: Hailey Cosh - hailey.cosh@sdrc.qld.gov.au
Phone: 1300 697 372
Faith in Art Exhibition

All Artists are cordially invited to submit their work for the “Faith in Art” exhibition. The exhibition will be held in All Saint’s Church, Clifton in conjunction with the Parish Annual fete on Friday 14th October from 4:30pm. The exhibits are to reflect each artist’s interpretation of their own “faith”.

Works of any size and in any medium such as painting, sculpture, tapestries, quilting and drawings will be displayed in the Church at no cost to the artist. Exhibited works can also be sold. Guests can enjoy the exhibition, including wine and cheese and vote for their favourite piece, which will be then named “People’s Choice Award”. Any interested artists are welcome to make enquiries to the Exhibition organisers, Kerry Denne 4666 3960

ADF Careers and Trivia Information Session

Considering a career in the ADF? Whether it’s Navy, Army or Air Force, there is bound to be a role that suits you. Defence Careers Information Session at Defence Force Recruiting Toowoomba. The evening will consist of an interactive trivia session along with the chance for you to get involved and chat with ADF personnel about a career in the Navy, Army or Air Force. Light refreshments will be provided. **Spots are limited so RSVP is essential.** To RSVP visit [http://events.defencejobs.gov.au/event/GFT2NG/](http://events.defencejobs.gov.au/event/GFT2NG/) or email twbctp@dfr.com.au

When: Tuesday, 25 October 2016  
Time: 6pm to 8pm  
Where: Defence Force Recruiting Toowoomba, Milne Bay Training Depot, O’Quinn Street, Toowoomba.

Community News

LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM - WIRAC – re-enrolment week commences 12 September. Starts 4 October (10 week program). Learn to Swim week 26-30/9 - find out how to get FREE LESSONS 4661 7955

Warwick Junior Cricket season has commenced - still taking sign-ons - visit [http://www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au) Click on “Where Can I Play” box, type in Warwick and follow the prompts. Boys and girls welcome - U10’s, U12’s, U15’s. For more information, contact Andrew Bryson after hours - 4667 3749.

Play NRL – School Holiday Camps – register online at [www.playnrl.com](http://www.playnrl.com) – 9-11yrs boys; 12-15yrs boys and 10-16yrs girls. See website for more details.

Friday 14 October – Wattles Rugby League Football Club Inc annual banquet and presentation night – Allora Community Hall. Enquiries to Jo on 0407 121 633

Friday 14 October - Anglican Church of Allora-Clifton (All Saints and St Davids Anglican Parish) Fete at Clifton from 4:00pm. Delicious food & bar, entertainment, competitions, displays, rides, stalls and more!!! All welcome.

Monday 31 October - Well Women’s Clinic, Southern Cross Care, Allora. Free service from 9am to 3pm. For information and bookings, contact Southern Cross Care, Allora on 4666 3171.


Griffith Dental Clinic

**Opening hours** 8.30 am – 4 pm, Monday – Friday  
**Location** 56 Locke Street, Warwick (adjacent to Warwick Hospital)  
For more information, visit [griffith.edu.au/health/clinics/warwick-clinic](http://griffith.edu.au/health/clinics/warwick-clinic)

**Book your appointment today — call 4667 1312**