Dear Parents,

**Year 7 Science Excursion:** Yesterday the Year 7 class, Miss Jessica Perrett, Mr Mick Brannan and Edwina Keating set off for Charleville to visit the Cosmos Centre as part of the Science unit they are currently studying. Today they will travel to the Natural History Museum in Eromanga. I have received lots of photographs which indicate that they are all having a great time.

**Prep Testing:** This week all Prep students have participated in Early Start assessments to test their Literacy and Numeracy knowledge on entry to the Prep year. These tests are very thorough and give us a comprehensive report which informs teacher planning to cater for all learning needs. Another Early Start assessment will be conducted at the end of the Prep year to measure student progress.

**Numeracy Professional Development:** As you know our school improvement sharp focus areas for 2016 are Numeracy and Explicit Instruction. Our teachers have been working collaboratively on the development of a P-10 Numeracy Plan and a Pedagogical Framework based on a consistent Explicit Instruction approach to teaching. Next Wednesday Regional Project Officers Tanya Leach and Erin Offord will visit our school to work with teachers in classrooms on the teaching of Numeracy.

Finally I would like to wish Cindy Green all the best as she prepares for the arrival of her baby. Today is Cindy’s last day of work here at school and we will all miss her. Since commencing work as a Teacher Aide at Taroom State School Cindy has shown dedication to our students and she been a very valuable member of staff. Kelly Smith, another very capable and experienced Teacher Aide, will return next week to fill the position.

Regards

Angela Heslin
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**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

- Jayden Newby
- Isobel Welsh
- Charlie Sommers
- Oliver Willis
- Barney Radel
- Learna Schumacher
- Shai Watson
- Maisie Hay
- Archer Coutts
- Yas Lethbridge
- Brydie Newton
- Rich Hooper
- Xavier Lindley
- Eloise Welsh
- Krystal Becker

**STARS OF READING**

- Kadyn Nowell
- Felicity Donner
- Brooke Hay
- Ella Bruggemann
- Katie Bunker
- Isabel Anderson-Peall
- Marley Ellis
- Willow Argus
Week 8

“I know where to walk and run”

We ask parents and carers to talk with their children about the importance of physical safety when moving around the school, home or community. This expectation sits under the “Focused on Safety” rule. In Week 8 we will be learning about how we move through the school environment; the places where it is okay to run, and those places where we should only walk.

Why is this expectation important?

There are many shared areas in the school where students and staff move during the school day. It is important for everyone's safety that you use areas such as pathways, stairs, verandas, classrooms and ovals, responsibly. This means knowing where to walk and where to run so that we do not collide with others and cause an injury, or damage property. We should always walk on cement pathways as there is a greater chance of injury if we fall on a hard surface. We should walk up and down stairs and use the hand rail to support our balance and prevent a trip. Cemented areas are for walking on, grassed areas are usually okay to run on if they are away from buildings and objects. Never run around or through people. They may lose their balance or not hear you and step into you. Use your common sense.

Associated RISE Values:

*Responsibility* ◆ “I am considerate”  *Self-management* ◆ “I make the right choices”

Student Council News

Students celebrating success with last week’s Schoolwide Expectation “I watch out for hazards” are:

*Jaylan Roberts*

*Charlie Sommers*

*Kendall Anderson-Peall*

*Jordan Kuhl*

*Connor Fitzpatrick*
Primary and Secondary Curriculum News

Early Start
All Prep students are currently participating in the Early Start Literacy and Numeracy diagnostic assessment program with Miss Baker and Mrs Wolski. Results from this assessment will allow Miss Baker and school leaders to implement strategies to address the learning needs of our Prep cohort and monitor their progress across Semester 2 to ensure they are prepared for entry into Year 1. This test does not contribute towards achievement levels on report cards. The Early Start Assessment will be administered again at the end of Term 4 to measure the effectiveness of our strategies and progress of students and provide ongoing information for the Year 1 teacher at the commencement of 2017.

ICAS Competition dates-
Spelling- Wednesday, 15th June
English- Tuesday, 2nd August
Maths- Tuesday, 16th August

The Science ICAS competition has now concluded. Mrs Wolski will catch up with ICAS students prior to the day of the above tests to negotiate a suitable lesson time.

Work Experience
Work Experience for Year 10 students is currently being organised. If any student has not returned their preference form this needs to be submitted by Friday to ensure the organisation of placements can be managed successfully for the first week of Term 3.

Wonder of Science
All Year 7 students will be travelling to Wandoan State School on the last Tuesday of the term to participate in the Wonder of Science Forum. Some groups will be presenting their projects to other schools in the district. These projects have formed part of the Science unit for this term and have been undertaken during Science lessons. Ambassadors from the Queensland University of Technology have been involved in working with students and Miss Perrett to oversee the projects.

Student Council Pyjama & Crazy Hair Day

A great response to the Student Council Pyjama & Crazy Hair Day with most students dressing up.
Sports News

South West Softball Carnival: On Sunday and Monday we held the South West Softball Carnival. The Miles and District team played very well and we are pleased to report that five of our students were selected in the South West Softball Team and will travel to Logan for the Queensland Trials in August. Congratulations Monika Bruggemann, Ally Graham, Caitlin Walton, Katie Bunker and Kasey Smith on your selection.

South West Cross Country: Last Friday many of our students travelled to St George to compete in the South West Cross Country Trials. Congratulations to Mitchell Hay, Skye Lethbridge, Chloe Bruggemann, Dominic Kallquist, Monika Bruggemann, Jack Hay, Connor Fitzpatrick and Wesley Smith who were selected in the South West Cross Country Team and will travel to Maryborough for the Qld Trials in July. Congratulations to Dominic Kallquist and Wesley Smith who were awarded Age Champions on the day.

P & C and Community News

If you have taken some great shots at a sporting event please email them in so we can share them around!

P & C General Meeting – Monday 13 June at 3.15pm - School Library

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