OUR PREPS FOR 2017

SCHOOL GOALS
- Spelling
- Reading
- Attendance
- UPPER 2 BANDS

SCHOOL VALUES
- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe
- Be A Learner

Calendar Date
9 Feb—Bunnings sausage sizzle
14 Feb—Grip Leadership Conference [School Captains and Mrs Lavender]
31 Mar—Break up day

10 Tips for Helping Kids Grow & Learn
1. Take time to talk with your child.
2. Praise your child - recognise their achievements.
3. Read with your child every day.
4. Set a positive example.
5. Show that you value your child’s efforts.
6. Children learn by doing - let them help you.
7. Set limits and give responsibilities
8. Get to know your child’s friends.
9. Eat dinner together every day and talk about the day’s events.
10. Get involved in your child’s education.

Source:- www.familiesaustralia.org.au

THERE WILL BE NO TUCKSHOP THIS TERM

Next P & C Meeting
TBA

School Facebook Page—Givelda State School
School Website- www.giveldass.eq.edu.au

Library books are due back to school EVERY FRIDAY
Homework is handed out on Mondays and is to be handed in on Fridays
Banking is every MONDAY
Welcome everyone back to the school year. I hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready to start the new year.

Classroom Structure and staffing – We are back to similar structures from last year with a few changes to staffing. We sadly say goodbye to Mrs Mason who has retired as of last year from Givelda and Walkervale. We wish her the very best with her retirement and she has promised to pop in and see us from time to time.

Mrs Chamberlin – Will be in 2 full days this year teaching Science, History, Geography, Spelling, Music, Maths and Social skills. She is a jack of all trades and the students are very excited to see a little bit more of her. Her days with the students will be a Thursday and Friday.

Mrs Russell – Sport and Health

LOTTE – 3 Mrs Bennet

Mrs Ellis – Has moved up to 3 days admin. For any admin questions, please see Mrs Ellis on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday for this year.

Australia Day – The students this term celebrated Australia Day through a week of activities learning all about the significance of Australia Day. From Craft through to stories and cooking the student’s experienced all elements of what makes us Australian. Their favourite activity was the thong toss. Some students even brought their mothers thongs from home as they thought the weight in the thongs would make them go further. They were right!

Homework – Homework will look a little different this year with MISS A running this program. She has set up her dragon reading which the students work through with her in rapid reading with time to change their books over. We have also pasted in their spelling words for them to work through and their mad minute. Spelling words and mad minute is what teaches our kids organisation and structure. Please assist your child with these at home each week if required. Mad minute and spelling will be tested every Friday as homework is due this day. If you would like your child to partake in extra work, feel free to purchase any textbooks from Chippindalls appropriate for your child’s ability and age. They are all excellent resources.

Leadership 14th February – On Tuesday 14 February, we have booked for our 2 school captains and Mrs Lavender to attend a GRIP - Student Leadership Conference for primary school students at the Shamrock Room at Brothers Club. This conference will assist our students in developing skills in the core value areas of: Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity, People. It will be a fantastic day for our leaders and a great way for them to make networks and partnerships with the other school leaders of Bundaberg.

Library Books – Library books are due back on Friday!

Banking – Banking will be done by Mrs Ellis so can we please have banking books handed in on Friday to be banked on Monday.

Dental forms – Please can all parents return dental forms ASAP!

P and C news – The P and C had a quick meeting this week to finalise our Bunnings Sausage Sizzle for the 19th of February. Thank you for all the parents who have volunteered to help out on the day. AGM to be notified as soon as our books have been audited.

Rapid reading – Rapid reading will continue this year with MISS A still taking students to give them one on one support.

Why is reading important?

Almost half (46%) of Australians over 15 lack the literacy skills they need to meet the demands of everyday life and work. Literacy is one of the most important foundations for success in school and life. It is well documented that an individual’s literacy levels affect their opportunities in life for education, employment, income and wellbeing. Sharing stories from birth gives children a great start to life.

The best way to equip children for their future is by helping them build a solid early language and literacy foundation well before school. Reading with children helps protect them from later reading problems, supports vocabulary and cognitive development and facilitates adult-child bonding.

Source: Let’s Read
http://www.letsread.com.au/About/Why-is-Reading-Important

SMILE AWHILE
Q: How does a lumberjack start his computer?
A: By Logging On!

Q: What do you call a piece of wood with nothing to do?
A: Board!

Joke Corner

Well Done!

Ninja Dojo Award

Taj-Lee

Congratulations key to go

Student of the Week

Alex

P and C News