



# ALPHA STATE SCHOOL WEEKLY WATCH 2014

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## *From the Principal's Desk...*

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome back to term 2. I trust that each family had a safe and relaxing holiday. We are ready for another term of learning, putting in a full effort in class, as well as, our mantra of fun, safe play at lunchtimes. NAPLAN testing is on week 4 Tuesday 13th – Friday 16th of May. NAPLAN is a numeracy and literacy test students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 must participate in.  
Tuesday - Language conventions and writing test  
Wednesday – Reading test  
Thursday – Calculator and non- calculator numeracy test  
Friday – Catch up test for students who were away during the testing period

All tests will be finished by morning tea. Students need to bring a HB or 2B pencil, eraser, calculator and water bottle. Breakfast will be supplied to students taking the test each morning.

Mother's day brunch starts at 12:15 pm Thursday the 8th of May, week 3. All community members are welcome to attend. There will be entertainment by the students and raffles drawn on the day. This is a great annual event for the school and we look forward to seeing the community there!

Cross country is Friday the 16th of May, week 4 with races starting at 12:30 pm. It will be held at the show grounds. Any parents who would like to volunteer to help please see Hannah Clarke. Students are required to run or walk in their age group unless unfit with a medical certificate or parent phone call to school prior to the race for an exemption.

### **Curriculum**

The teacher email addresses for communication about your child

Pete Stansfield – [pstan24@eq.edu.au](mailto:pstan24@eq.edu.au)

Kate Priddle – [krid17@eq.edu.au](mailto:krid17@eq.edu.au)

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Penny Rogers – [proge10@eq.edu.au](mailto:proge10@eq.edu.au)  
Hannah Clarke – [hjcla0@eq.edu.au](mailto:hjcla0@eq.edu.au)  
Kerryn Gray – [kgray144@eq.edu.au](mailto:kgray144@eq.edu.au)

Any questions about work or your child please feel free to communicate directly with your child's teacher by email.

Ask your child/ren to explain what the Alpha focus is at school and where in the lesson it is used. All students should be able to answer this easily and clearly for parents.

Students need to keep up their Lexia homework at home online and complete activities independently. Any issues please email your child's teacher.

### **Behaviour expectations**

Behaviour of students was overall, excellent last term. Students engaged school life in a positive manner and with increasing grit and resilience being demonstrated by students! We are looking forward to building on that foundation this term.

We are trying touch football again at lunchtimes. I have outlined player expectations and rules to follow. When there are issues the game will be stopped and students directed into another activity. Even though this is a popular game with our students the numbers of issues resulting on a daily basis were unacceptable. Particularly denial of observed behaviour by staff or constant denial of reported behaviour was problematic and makes games being allowed to continue untenable (maybe it is seeing the tough times NRL refs are getting!). Collectively students will need to choose play in

the spirit that makes it enjoyable for all.

Otherwise, the same expectations and ways of operating will continue this term that have worked well for us over the last year until now. Students are encouraged to engage in school life well. With your continued support and great work by students and staff we can have another productive and enjoyable term.

The school contact details are

**Phone:** 4987 0888

**Pete's email:** pstan24@eq.edu.au

**Pete Stansfield mobile:** 0419 982 413

**School mobile:** 0427 158 456

Kind regards

*Pete Stansfield*

## **High School Hi-Jinx**

Welcome back to Term 2. It is shaping up to be a big and busy term already.

On Thursday afternoon last week the Year 9-10 students participated in a teleconference prior to ANZAC Day – “Talking with a soldier”. We spoke to Corporal Rogerson in Brisbane about his role in the Army and the opportunities for student to pursue this avenue as a career.

A few things to place on the calendar

Hero's Journey – Year 7-8 camp to Rocky is in Week 6: Monday 2 June-Thursday 5 June. Stacey will be visiting the school on Wednesday to prepare the students for camp. They will be learning what the camp is about as well as writing their scripts in preparation for filming on camp.

Home Ec- Show cooking Yr 9-10 students will be designing, cooking and decorating a novelty cake for the show this year. We will be making the cakes at school, freezing and then decorating on

Friday 16 May.

Uni Skills visit – Stacey Hixson will be visiting to prepare the students for the Yr 9-10 camp on Friday 16 May at 9.00 am. The camp will be the first week of Term 3 but more information will be coming home shortly.

I have sent home the Yr 9-10 Assessment calendar. This has the proposed dates for assessment in English, Maths, Science and HEC for this term. Please note that dates may change depending on how quickly or slowly the students are completing the units.

Of course NAPLAN is fast approaching in Week 4 and we will be busy doing final activities relating to this. We will be focussing on persuasive writing for the week leading up to NAPLAN

There will be no after school maths classes for the first two week as we have Parent teacher meeting in week 2 and I have teleconferences to participate in.

Have a fabulous week!

Mrs Rogers ☺

## **PLEASE NOTE :** **TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Tuckshop is being held on Thursday, 8 May instead of Wednesday, 7 May.

## **Anzac Day Thank You**

A big thank you to all those students who participated in Anzac Day - marching, reading and reciting. You did a wonderful job and you should be extremely proud of yourselves.

Mrs Goodwin

# ALPHA STATE SCHOOL TUCKSHOP MENU

AMOUNT \$	AMOUNT \$
<b>HOT FOOD</b>	<b>TOASTED SANDWICHES</b>
Pie 2.00	Ham 3.00
Sausage Roll 2.00	Ham & Cheese 4.00
Party Pie 0.60	Ham/Cheese/Tomato 4.00
Hot Dog 4.00	Ham/Cheese/Pickles 4.00
Pluto Pup 3.00	Chicken & Cheese 4.00
Lasagne 4.00	Chicken/Cheese/Onion 4.00
Mac Cheese 4.00	Chicken/Cheese/Mayo 4.00
Pizza Rounda 3.00	
Pizza Slabs 2.50	<b>BURGERS</b>
Omelette (Ham & Cheese) 3.00	Steak & Onion 5.50
	Steak & Salad 5.50
<b>SAUCES</b>	Chicken & Salad 5.50
Tomato Sauce 0.30	
BBQ Sauce 0.30	<b>TREATS</b>
	Popcorn 0.50
<b>WRAPS – Plain or Spinach</b>	Muffin – Chocolate 3.00
Chicken 5.00	Muffin – Blueberry 3.00
Fish 5.00	Fruit Cup 3.00
Ham 5.00	
Salad 3.00	<b>DRINKS</b>
	LOL – Tropical 2.50
<b>SALAD DISHES</b>	LOL – Razz 2.50
Chicken & Salad 5.00	LOL – Strawberry 2.50
Fish & Salad 5.00	
Ham & Salad 5.00	<b>FLAVOURED MILK</b>
	Chocolate Milk 2.00
	Strawberry Milk 2.00
	<b>ICE CREAMS</b>
Goey Toffee Apple Paddle 2.00	Vanilla cups 2.00
Pop	
Rainbow Paddle Pop 2.00	Shaky Shake Cups 2.00
Chocolate Paddle Pop 2.00	Cyclone 2.00
Banana Paddle Pop 2.00	

**TUCKSHOP ORDERS NEED TO BE IN BY TUESDAY MORNING 9.00 AM  
CASH PAYMENTS ONLY**

# TUCKSHOP ROSTER TERM 2, 2014

<b>DATE</b>	<b>WORKERS</b>
<b>30 April 2014</b>	<b>Ann McGuire &amp; Steve McGrath</b>
<b>8 May 2014</b>	<b><i>Ann McGuire &amp; Sally McKeering</i></b>
<b>14 May 2014</b>	<b>Ann McGuire &amp; Katrina Gleeson</b>
<b>21 May 2014</b>	<b><i>ALPHA SHOW HOLIDAY</i></b>
<b>28 May 2014</b>	<b>Ann McGuire &amp; Michelle Green</b>
<b>4 June 2014</b>	<b>Ann McGuire &amp; Steve McGrath</b>
<b>11 June 2014</b>	<b><i>Chappy Barbecue Whole School - Sausage Sizzle</i></b>
<b>18 June 2014</b>	<b>Ann McGuire &amp; Sharon Quarman</b>
<b>25 June 2014</b>	<b>Ann McGuire &amp; Sam Stansfield</b>

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Alpha Police Station  
19 Milton Street  
Alpha Q 4724

Ph. (07) 4985 1200

### **Reporting a Traffic Crash**

If you are involved in a traffic crash, you must stop your vehicle and if anyone is injured remain at the scene and if necessary render any assistance you can to any injured person/s. You must notify police within 24 hours:

- 1. where the incident causes \$2500 or more damage to property/vehicle**
- 2. when a vehicle involved needs to be towed away**
- 3. if any person involved is injured or killed**
- 4. where any driver involved fails to give their details.**

Where the incident involves minor damage (not more than \$2500) and there is no injury to any person there is **NO** requirement to report it to police. You must report direct to your insurance company (this is the type of situation which usually occurs with animal strikes). Where the incident involves **NO** injury to persons you may remove vehicle/s and debris from the roadway to avoid the likelihood of further injury or accident.

When exchanging the required details with the other driver, other persons involved or the owner of any property damaged you or your representative must provide the driver's name and contact number, the name and contact number of the owner of the driver's vehicle, the vehicle registration number and any other information necessary to identify the vehicle. It is also advisable to ask to see their driver's licence to confirm their identity. If you have a camera or mobile phone with you, take photos of your car and theirs and the location of the crash. This will aid the police investigation if necessary and/or your insurance company when they are apportioning blame.

The Alpha Police Station counter hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8.00am and 12.00pm when possible. **There will always be exceptions to this such as emergency callouts and other operational policing demands** (it may be prudent to phone in advance to make sure we are in the office).

Take care

Mick Lingard & Jason Robertson

**IF A CRIME'S HAPPENING  
RIGHT NOW, CALL  
TRIPLE ZERO (000).**

**IF *NOT*, THINK  
POLICELINK.  
CALL 131 444.**

# Alpha Show Society 2014 Junior Show Person

The Alpha Show Society would like to invite girls and boys to enter the 2014 Junior Show Person.

The Junior Show Person Awards is an opportunity for girls and boys to boost their confidence, meet new people, and develop their skills in public speaking. It is also a wonderful opportunity for you to be an ambassador for the Alpha Show Society.

**Age Group: 12 – 15\* years**

**Entry Fee: Free**

**Entries close: 8th May 2014**

If you are interested in entering, please contact Shannae Goodwin on 49870888 or [sgood194@eq.edu.au](mailto:sgood194@eq.edu.au)

\* Age is taken as at Monday 19th May 2014