

# DEPOT HILL STATE SCHOOL

Newsletter

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# PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hi Everyone,

I hope you had a lovely long weekend. A big thank you to the students and staff who represented our school at the ANZAC Day March on Friday. Thanks also to the parents who were able to attend the School ANZAC Service on Thursday. I was very proud of our students who did a great job showing respect during this solemn and important occasion.



# **Guidance Officer Week**

This week we celebrate Guidance Officer Week. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Jovey, our Guidance Officer, for the wonderful work which she has been doing in our school. Jovey's calm presence has been very much appreciated by parents, students and staff, so please take the time on Wednesday to thank Jovey for all that she does for us!





# Monday 28th April

>2:30pm Parade

Tuesday 29th April

# Wednesday 30th April

>2:00pm-3:00pm School Sports Training

Thursday 1st May

>3:15pm P&C Meeting

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

# Monday 5th May

>Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 6th May

# Wednesday 7th May

>2:00pm-3:00pm School Sports Training

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May

# Friday 9th May

>Indigenous School Hearing Review Date

Friday 16th May

>Interschool Sport - Yr5/6

Friday 27th June

>Last Day Term 2

Monday 14th July

>Term 3 Starts

Thursday 16th October

>School Photo Day

# **School Sport**

This week, our Year 5/6 students will begin training for football and netball which are our interschool sports this term. We are lucky enough to have two members of the Capras Football team come to our school on Wednesday afternoons from 2-3pm to work with the students who have chosen football as their sport. We will also have Miss Ruddick, an experienced netball coach, working with the students who have chosen netball as their sport at the same time. The Year 5/6 students from Port Curtis Road will also be attending these coaching sessions as we will be fielding a combined team for both sports this year. Our first game of interschool sport will be Friday, 16th May. Permission forms for these sports will be in next week's newsletter.



# **Senior Shirts**

The Year Six students were very excited to have their senior shirts arrive at school at the end of last term. If your child is in Year Six, and you would like to purchase a senior shirt, they are available at the school office for \$30.

# **Attendance**

Our school attendance rate is currently sitting on 89.3% which is an excellent improvement on last year. This term we are aiming to push this above the 90% mark. You can see from the infographic below that Friday continues to be the day when we have the most absences. Students who are able to attend for all five days in a week are rewarded at parade the following week. Congratulations to Landen, Seth, Eleanor, Victoria, Samuel, Athena, Ajay, Dominic, Piper, Harlii, Nirvana, Charlotte, Valentine, Gwen, Connor, Phoebe, Easton, Keearly, Xavier, Alyxxis, Ehlyjah, Willow, Jaymie, Oliver, Abby, Anayah, Jordyn, Jordyn, Caleb, Dante, Caleb, Chase, Reagan, Harmony, Fayth and Shakoby who attended for the three days last week!

# Safety Lights

Flashing lights now active at Depot Hill State School Last term flashing light school zone signs were installed on O'Connell Street. Depot Hill State School

was nominated to receive these new signs as part of a Queensland Government commitment to improve school road safety.

You will notice that the new signs look similar to standard school zone signs with the addition of a red flashing ring around the speed limit as well as two flashing yellow lights at the top of the sign. The installation of flashing light school zone signs is proven to improve visibility of school zones, serving as an active reminder for motorists to slow down. So next time you're dropping off or picking up

slow down.
So next time you're
dropping off or picking up
your child, keep an eye
out for the new signs and
make sure you stick to the
signed speed limit.



# Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser

If you've sold Cadbury chocolates as part of our fundraiser, please return any collected money to the office as soon as possible. Thank you for your support!

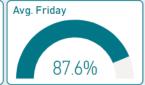












# **Happy Birthday**

Happy Birthday, Ezra! Wishing you an unforgettable celebration filled with laughter, loved ones and amazing memories! May your special day be as awesome as you are!



Have a great week!

Mrs Elizabeth Jacobson
Principal

### **PBL**

DEPOT HILL STATE SCHOOL RULES
BE SAFE
BE RESPECTFUL
BE A LEARNER



PBL FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:
BE SAFE

by using the High 5 strategy to problem solve



# **PARADE AWARDS**









# **STUDENT ABSENCES**

If your child is or will be away, please contact the school to give a reason for the absence.





The school now has a dedicated number for absences. Parents can phone 49 307 999 at any time to inform the school of their child/ren absences.

Missing 1 day a fortnight = Missing more than a year of learning over 12 years!

# **UPDATE YOUR DETAILS**

If you have recently moved, changed phone numbers or need to update emergency contact details or medical conditions, please update your details with the school as soon as possible.



# PLEASE UPDATE YOUR **CONTACT DETAILS**

# P & C NEWS

The next P & C Meeting will be held this Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> of May at 3:15pm in the Community Hub.

Join us in building a strong school community! Your support means the world to our students and staff. We invite you to attend our upcoming events and meetings to stay connected. For more information, please contact the school office. Let's work together to create a positive and supportive environment for everyone!

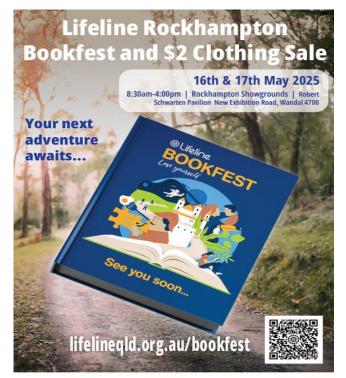


# **FACEBOOK**

To keep up to date with the latest news and reminders and to see additional photos, please like us on Facebook.



# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**











Friday 23 May 2025 Panthers AFC Footy Grounds 9:00am - 12:00pm



















# **Programs & Services**

### Play and Grow

Supported playgroups facilitated by experienced Child & Family Practitioners. Development-focused activities that allow you to interact positively with your child while meeting other parents in your community.

### Baby & Me

Connect with other parents and/or carers with babies aged birth to 12 months. Topics include growth & development, self-care, attachment, bonding & parent well-being.

### Reach Out and Play

Mobile supported playgroups facilitated by GMMEYP staff out in the community. Development-focused activities that allow you to interact positively with your child & meet other parents.

### Connect2Kindy

This play-based program provides families access to information about the benefits and logistics of enrolling their child into an approved Kindergarten program, & to help prepare children for the routines & rituals they might find when attending Kindy & Prep.

### **Maternal Child Health Nurse**

Each Thursday playgroup we have a Maternal Child Health Nurse on site who is available for health checks for your child & friendly discussions around concerns you may

### **Child and Family Support Service**

Our Child & Family Practitioners are able to work alongside families providing tailored one-on-one support depending on your needs.

### Circle of Security Parenting (COS-P)

This program assists guardians in identifying or responding to children's emotional needs. COS-P supports & strengthens your relationship with your child. This program is on offer by registration only.

### Soul Sisters

A pop up group where mums can come along to chat, create and build connections with other mums. It takes a village to raise a family so come and find your village!

# Gracemere & Mount Morgan Early Years Place

is located at

32 Thompson Avenue, Mount Morgan.

"Providing a range of supports and programs tailored to the needs of the families within our community."







The Benevolent Society acknowledges the raditional Owners of Country throughou Australia and recognises Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to Elders both past and present.

# Gracemere & Mount Morgan **Early Years Place**

**Programs** & Groups





# **Gracemere & Mount Morgan Activity Timetable**

### Monday

Baby & Me Maternal and Child Health Service Clinic 3 Russell Street, Gracemere 9:30am to 11:30am

Enjoy time with your baby in a supportive environment, share in discussions around development, growth, self care and take the opportunity to meet new friends and build your village.

For infants from birth to 12 months

### Connect2Kindy Waraburra State School -Red Block 55 Johnson Rd, Gracemere 9:00am to 11:30am

Join us to for play-based learn-ing to support your little one in transitioning to Kindy and Prep! Offered to families with children

2.5 to 5 years.

If your child is under 2.5 years, please speak with our team about alternative programs.

### Tuesday

**Reach Out and Play** Waraburra State School -Red Block 55 Johnson Rd, Gracemere 9:30am to 11:30am

Join us at playgroup in Gracemere to engage in art, construction, exploration and socialisation in a safe and

welcoming space. For children from birth to 5 vears.

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# Thursday

Play & Grow **Early Years Place** 32 Thompson Avenue, **Mount Morgan** 

Come and join the fun in our Early Years Place in Mount Morgan. Engage in early learning play experiences, messy play, morning tea, arts & craft (and much more!)

Open to all families with children from birth to 5 years.

### Friday

9:30am to 11:30am

To register your interest in any of our programs, or if you would like any more information, please call or SMS our

team: 0403 684 896 or email us on: GMM.EarlyYearsPlace@ benevolent.org.au

# Find & follow us on Facebook!



Queensland Child Health Drop-in Clinic Available alongside Monday's Gracemere Baby & Me program & Thursday's Mount Morgan Play & Grow Program!

Come along to get your child's developmental checks, weigh-ins and referrals to specialist services with the beautiful Child Health team!

Please ensure you bring a hat, water bottle and a spare set of clothes.

Please ensure you dress your child in sun safe cloth ing.

# **Expression of** <u>Interest</u> Soul Sisters

A relaxed group for Mothers/ Guardian's to support their mental health, parenting and welcoming village of women!

Message us for more information and upcoming dates for this program.

