DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Friday, 31 October - Day for Daniel – wear red and educate.
- Monday, 3 November - Showcase Parade 2:30pm – all welcome
- Tuesday, 4 November - Melbourne Cup – Student Council Fashions on the Field
- Friday, 7 November - Tuckshop Day
- Tuesday, 11 November - Remembrance Day – school service commences 10:50am
- Thursday, 13 November - Pre-prep Transition Morning

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL

A Fair Go is our focus for this week as we continue to aim for Nothing But The Best. The belief in a fair go is a key part of Australian culture and Australian society. A fair go means a decent chance and a reasonable opportunity to do or complete something.

A fair go is the belief of all Australians, of making their mark, gaining good employment, and enjoying freedoms experienced here and having a fair chance of doing so on their own terms, without potential issues from political, religious, cultural or financial prejudice of a culture.

RAINBOW AWARDS

BLUE
Rhett Weatherall

INDIGO
Daniel Dinsdale
William Richards
Angel Haines

OVER THE RAINBOW
Tom Geddes
Mia Broszat

POT OF GOLD
Jack Kingston

SHOWCASE PARADE

Our next showcase parade is being held on Monday, 3 November at 2:30pm. Ms Schroeter’s class will be enlightening you with some poems. Sina, Mitchell, Cooper, Jacob & Matilda from Ms Lees’ class will be presenting some art and craft they have been working on and some items from their current health unit. Ms Dean’s class will be showing you their pottery dragon eggs.

HELP NEEDED TO PREPARE FOR PRESENTATION NIGHT

Do we have any keen sewers out there? We need help to sew costumes for Presentation Night for our Prep Class. We have the pattern. We would also appreciate donations of white stretch fabric. If you are able to help, please contact Carmel Schroeter or Lisa Dean. Thank you!

JACARANDA UPDATE

Thank you to local community member, Mrs Chapman, who saw our cry for help in our newsletter and arranged a visit by Tom Wyatt. Mr Wyatt has informed us that our jacaranda tree is dead, and suggested that we remove it, mulch the area and replace it. If this is something that you’d be interested in participating in, please contact the office.
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to the recipients of last week’s Nothing But The Best awards, who displayed Respect: Mason Rogers, Kelcee Kime & Hayley Green.

Summer has well and truly hit this week, and we are doing what we can to keep cool at school. Please remind your children to bring their hats with them every day to keep them protected from the sun.

Alternative play areas are available for the children, and we have suggested that they avoid the sun and playing on the oval when it is hot.

On behalf of all of the staff and students, I would like to pass on our deepest condolences to the Kime family – Stub, Lisa and the kids – on the passing of their beloved father and grandfather. We are keeping them in our thoughts this week.

Yours in education,

Sandra Porter
Principal

2015 CLASSES
With our numbers on the rise, we are already making plans to have a fourth class in 2015. So that we can have a smooth start of year, please let us know as soon as possible if you are relocating next year and your child won’t be with us.

If you know of anyone else who might be moving to the area, please let us know so that we can get their details and include them in our planning now, rather than have to wait until Day 8 in February, 2015 to make final decisions on classes.

LIBRARY STOCKTAKE
We will soon be commencing our stocktake of all library and reading resources.

With over 12,000 individual resources in the school, you will understand that this is a big job that we are required to undertake annually and we appreciate your support in returning library books and reading books as soon as possible.

WHOOOO CAN HELP?
It’s the end of the year and we know that everyone is busy but our Whoooo Tree has been feeling a bit neglected lately. Thank you to the dedicated and giving parents who have helped throughout the year - it is greatly appreciated! If you can’t get in to see the Whoooo Tree but can help after school or on a weekend when you might have a little bit of free time, please let us know. This week, these owls need some attention:

- Mowing
- Spraying of weeds
- Library Books covered
- Gutters cleaned on library

We are also investigating ways of clearing out some of the old furniture that is currently stored in the Multi Purpose Building. If you would like to take a look and see if there’s anything that might find a home at your place, please contact the office. Everything left there in the next week or so will be dumped. If you have some muscles and energy to help load things for removal, please let us know.
STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Melbourne Cup Fashions In The Field

Tuesday, 4 November is Melbourne Cup Day. To help celebrate, the children are invited to make a gold coin donation and come dressed for Fashions in the Field. Everyone is more than welcome to join in the fun and get dressed in their very best or in a novelty costume just like they'll be doing in Melbourne! Please keep in mind that if outfits are not sun smart, children will need to bring their uniform.

Some classes will be holding sweeps or will use the race to examine mathematical concepts such as chance, or will be watching the broadcast of the race on television. If you would prefer that your child did not participate in any of these events, please discuss this with your child’s teacher.

The Student Council will be selling fruit slushies every Wednesday at second break for the rest of the term.

Bring along $1.50 to have an icy cold slushie.

DAY FOR DANIEL

The Day for Daniel is coming up on Friday, 31 October. The Caves State School will be conducting child safety awareness activities, and all students are encouraged to wear red on the day.

Day for Daniel promotes keeping kids safe through child safety and protection initiatives. The day aims to help empower our children to ‘Recognise, React and Report’ if they feel something is not right.

Wear Red and Educate is the theme of Day for Daniel.

CELEBRATE TUCKSHOP DAY ON 7 NOVEMBER

Our tuckshops perform an important role in school life and much of the hard work undertaken by tuckshop convenors and volunteers is done out of the public eye. They provide an invaluable service in ensuring students have access to nutritious, tasty and affordable food. Tuckshop Day on Friday, 7 November gives school communities the opportunity to show their appreciation for the work they do. Celebrate this day and give your tuckshop convenors and volunteers a big “thank you”.

Tuckshop Day also highlights the important role tuckshops play in school life. Providing nutritious food and drinks means families can have one less task to worry about at the start of their day and helps students to concentrate and learn well in class.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

The P&C need YOUR help with their Christmas Hamper Raffle in the form of donations of any suitable Christmas or Hamper items. Items could include drinks, sweet and savoury treats, canned items, Christmas decorations, wrap, etc. The more items collected will mean more hampers can be created.

Please bring your non-perishable donated items to the school office for this year’s raffle. The raffle will be drawn on Friday, 6 December at Presentation Night.
FOR SALE
Timber cot, mattress, mosquito dome net, high chair and safety gate. Very good condition $200
Phone Jenny 49342505 or 0422906074.

P&C NEWS

Our next P&C Meeting will be Thursday, 27 November at 6:30pm in the Maths Room in B Block

FAIR IN THE SQUARE, 28 NOVEMBER – VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST IN FOOD VAN
It is that time of year again and preparations are underway for the annual Fair in the Square. This is a wonderful community event that our local Lions Club put countless hours into. In the spirit of community participation I am asking for volunteers from within our school community to assist the Lions Club with manning the food stall – the food stall is labour intensive and even an hour of your time would be greatly appreciated.

If you think you may be able to help please let me know - Jocelyn 0418 559 919 or jocelyn@peffcabinets.com.au

The P&C will also be selling raffle tickets in the Webber BBQ kindly donated by Mr Bruce Young, Member for Keppel, so we would also ask that you consider giving of your time to sell raffle tickets.

This request for volunteers will continue to appear in the newsletter between now & the Fair in the Square, so please feel free to contact me over the coming weeks & I look forward to being able to assist The Caves Lions Club in their service to our community.

2015 BOOK PACK SCHEME
If anyone wants to beat the ‘back to school bedlam’ remember to return your child’s 2015 book pack order form that was sent home last week. A sample of the pencil labels and book covers are available in the office. If you require any additional information please contact Elizabeth on 0419 660059

MELBOURNE CUP SWEEPS
This year, our P&C is running sweeps for the Melbourne Cup for our parents and community.

You can enter as many times as you like – simply send $2 in a NAMED ENVELOPE for each entry that you would like to have to the office by 9:00am on Tuesday, 4 November.

For each entry you have, a horse will be drawn for you.

If your horse wins or places then you win too!

- First Place: $15 (plus a gift from the P&C)
- Second Place: $10 (plus a gift from the P&C)
- Third Place: A gift from the P&C

A $15 prize from a $2 investment? Those are fantastic odds! The more entries you have, the more chances you have to win!