DATES TO REMEMBER:
- Thursday, 13 November - Pre-prep Transition Morning
- Tuesday, 18 November - Pre-prep Transition Morning & Parent Meeting
- Wednesday, 26 November - Pre-prep Transition Morning
- Thursday, 27 November - P&C Meeting 6:30pm – all welcome!
- Friday, 28 November - Fair in the Square
- Monday, 1 December - Pre-prep Transition Morning
  - Leadership Parade 2:30pm
  - Volunteers’ Afternoon Tea 3:00pm

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL
This week, we’re focussing on the value of Integrity.

Having values doesn’t mean much if you can’t stand up for them—an important lesson to impart upon our children. Everyone’s values and beliefs are tested at some point in their lives, and it takes strong conviction to stand up for them in the face of adversity. We can help our children prepare for these times by encouraging them to have integrity, and set a good example by standing by our own beliefs, even when it’s hard.

Does your child act on her or his convictions and stand up for her or his beliefs? Having integrity can take a long time to learn, but the more a child practises this, the more likely she or he will develop this crucial value.

We can celebrate integrity by applauding and supporting students or family members when they —do the right thing, even when it’s hard. || Maybe a child stepped in when another child was being teased. Or maybe a child admitted to cheating on a test—even though she knows the entire class cheated and she was the only one who got into trouble for her honesty.

When someone with integrity admits to scandal or making a mistake, we should talk about this, and the actions we believe are most damaging and why. We all can be tempted to do the wrong thing. Having integrity means that we make the decision to do the right thing, even when it’s difficult.

Integrity is something that never goes out of style, although it can sometimes seem like the world can be lacking in it. By teaching children integrity, we will not only be making their lives better, but we will be improving the life of everybody who comes in contact with them, both now and in the future.

LIBRARY STOCKTAKE
As we will soon be commencing our stocktake of all library and reading resources, Year 3-7 will be borrowing for the last time this week, and Prep-Year 2 will borrow for the last time on Tuesday.

All library books must be returned on or before Thursday, 27 November 2015.

Please have a look in all the usual – and not so usual places - to see if any books are hiding at your place.
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to the recipients of last week’s Nothing But The Best awards, who displayed Responsibility: Sophie Sommerfeld, Mitchell Richards & Emily Letts

Congratulations to all students and schools that participated in the Premier’s Reading Challenge in 2014. Schools with 100 per cent participation were in the running for prize packs from the program sponsors. Village Roadshow Theme Parks provided 70 family passes (two adults and two children) to Warner Bros. Movie World, Sea World or Wet'n'Wild on the Gold Coast.

Because we had 100% participation, I am delighted to announce that The Caves School was selected to receive a prize pack! Please watch this space for more information as it comes to hand.

As I was attending a Principals’ Business Meeting yesterday, I was not present for our school Remembrance Day Service, but I have had reports that the children did a wonderful job sowing their respect to the men and women of the military who have fought and died for our freedom.

Yours in education,

Sandra Porter
Principal

WHOOOO CAN HELP?

This week, these owls need some attention:

- Mowing
- Spraying of weeds
- Gutters cleaned on library

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mariah Patten who played in the Hornets team on the weekend at the Red Rooster Carnival. They won all their games except for the grand final against Gladstone where they lost 4-0. They played in Division 1 and overall they came second for under 12 girls in the Red Rooster Carnival.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

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

Bring along $1.50 to have an icy cold slushie.
LEGENDAIRY

Dairy Australia is encouraging us to vote for whether we prefer dairy at the start of end of our day and we stand to win some great prizes!

Dairy Australia is running a promotion for our school to win a custom-built playground bench seat made from recycled products, including some of those we collect as part of the competition.

We could also win a special visit from a Legendairy farmer to teach us all about a day in the life of a farmer, how our favourite dairy foods are made and the nutritional benefits of dairy. There is also the opportunity to win delicious dairy products delivered for an all-school morning tea.

Bring in a washed dairy product lid or packaging (these act as tokens), then place your tokens in either the ‘Start’ or ‘End’ Legendairy voting bin located outside the school office. The competition closes on Monday 24 November.

BOOKCLUB

Issue 8 will be sent home tomorrow.

Please note all orders need to be returned to the school office by 9am Friday, 21 November to allow time for the books to be delivered before the Christmas break. Thank you.

P&C NEWS

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

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.

PUB RAFFLES

Pub raffles are attended by the school once a month and are a quick and easy way to raise money for our school P&C. We are in desperate need of someone to do these raffles on this Friday 14th November. It only takes a few hours of your time and is a great fundraiser for our school.

Unfortunately if no-one offers to do this by Thursday we will have to give this opportunity to another community group for Friday night. If you can help us out with the pub raffles on this date please contact Tamara on 0429 875 287.

Thank you in advance!