DATES TO REMEMBER:
- Thursday, 14 May - NAPLAN Tests Year 3 & 5
- Thursday, 21 May - AFL Clinic P-6
- Friday, 22 May - AFL Clinic P-6
- Wednesday, 27 May - Under 8's Day
- Thursday, 28 May - Student Council – State of Origin Activities
- Wednesday, 27 May - P&C Meeting 9:00am – all welcome!
- Saturday, 30 May - AFL Clinic P-6
- Monday, 1 June - Bonfire Night
- Monday, 1 June - Showcase Parade 2.30pm

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL
One student from each class who has displayed the whole school Value of the Week (from Values for Australian Schooling) in conjunction with the school motto of Nothing But The Best are awarded a Nothing But the Best Award each week.

This week our teaching team is looking for the students who best exemplify Fair Go.

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

Orange
Isaac Dodd
Marcus Robson
Angel Haines
Aeryon Schuh
Elizabeth Shaw
Ciana Furnell-Hall
Joseph Boswood

Yellow
Kallum Hick
Ava Hinchcliffe
Evan Peff
Angus Barnett
Mason Rogers
Callum Stidiford
Amber Delaware
Riley Broszat
Brock Hick
Jake Lucas

Yellow
Benjamin Jepson
Cienna Joyner
Katherine Tait
Jacob Trenaman
Nate Everingham
Isaak Proposch
Riley Rolfe
Olivia Barnett
Julia Jones

Yellow
Emily Jones
Ruqayya Nixon
Cloe Letts
Mackenzie Rolfe
Alannah Tighe
Darcy Jones
Breanna Larsen
Sydney Peff
Rose Robinson
THANK YOU
A very big thank you this week to Alicia Snowdon & Vicki Hick for their awesome effort in laying all the paper and mulch hay on the front garden! Alicia also repainted areas around the school for safety reasons. A special thank you also to Denell Hick for her donation of music exercise books; they came in very handy and are being put to very good use.

WHOOOO CAN HELP?
A few more owls need to be fed this week! If you can help with just one of these jobs, please contact the office.

- Moving the piano from the Multi-Purpose Building to A Block
- Anzac Day Wreath – Our wreath needs rejuvenating, or we need a new one created if anyone is feeling a little crafty
- Pruning and weeding of garden beds
- Marking of oval for Sports Day (between 13 - 18 June)
- Plastic bench seat bolted together
- Plastic soccer goals to be assembled

FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Congratulations to the recipients of last term’s Nothing But The Best awards who displayed Respect: Darcy Frankish, Daniel Dinsdale & Mackenzie Rolfe.

Our Year 3 and 5 children seem to be handling NAPLAN week with their usual aplomb. There have been a few butterflies in the tummy, but those have quickly settled. I have been thrilled by the good manners and enthusiasm demonstrated by the children when they receive the small gifts I have been presenting to them over the last few days, and I hope that they have been sharing the messages (and perhaps the gifts as well!) with their parents.

Last Wednesday, our Cross Country team competed in the Rockhampton District Carnival. Congratulations to Emily, Julia, Alanna, Nate, Isaak, Riley, Darcy and Rose for their efforts, and well done on their exemplary behaviour and good sportsmanship.

Respect for others is one of the most important lessons that we want to teach our students at The Caves State School. To learn respect, children need to be able to see the adults in their lives show respect to each other. It is important that parents/caregivers, as well as school staff, show respect when dealing with each other. It is a way that we create a safe school environment for staff, volunteers, students, parents/caregivers and visitors.

People who enter the school grounds and are hostile or aggressive, use abusive or profane language and make threats to school staff or volunteers, students or other parents/caregivers, will not be tolerated.

It is an offence under the Education Act for one adult to insult another adult at a school in the presence or hearing of a student. It is also an offence for a parent to approach and admonish or question the child of another family.

The Education Act provides the Principal with the authority to provide a written direction requiring a person to immediately leave the school premises and not re-enter for a period of time. Conditions may also be placed on a person’s entry to the school premises.

If a member of the school community has an issue or concern, the appropriate protocol is to make an appointment with the staff member, outside of student learning times, to discuss the matter in a calm manner. If the matter cannot be resolved, it should be referred to the principal in the first instance.

All members of the school community are asked to abide by these protocols so that our school can maintain a safe, supportive environment for our students to learn.

Yours in education,

Sandra Porter
Principal
**Reading Strategy: Comprehension - Retell the Story**

When parents ask their children what happened in school that day, the response is usually one of two things – either they are given a play-by-play synopsis or they are given the single word answer, “nothing”.

The strategy of retelling is similar. **Retelling a story** helps readers recall what is happening in the story they are reading. It allows a reader to stop and monitor their understanding. A retelling usually includes characters, settings, problems, and the solution of the main ideas of the text. It involves telling what is important without telling too much.

Many times, children struggle with the concept of weeding out what is important. Often they either provide every single detail or they give a vague description that is hard to follow.

The retell strategy will help your child be successful in retelling.

**How can you help your child with this strategy at home?**

1. When reading with your child, stop and have your child tell you what is happening in the story, using the words: first, next, then, last and finally.

2. Use the following questions to prompt your child to think about the story being read:
   a. Who were the main characters?
   b. What problems did the main characters experience?
   c. How was the problem solved?
   d. What happened first, next and last?

3. When reading with your child, stop to think about what you are reading. Model this process aloud. Stop and reread if you can’t remember.

4. Encourage your child to become comfortable with the strategy of retelling by retelling events they are familiar with. This is where you can help your child focus on weeding our minor details, by focusing their attention on what’s important. Use some of the following prompts or come up with some of your own.
   a. Tell me about the last time our family went out for dinner.
   b. Tell me about what you did at school this week.
   c. Tell me about a time when you went to a birthday party.
   d. Tell me about the first time you lost a tooth.

Thank you for your continued support at home!
COMMUNITY NOTICES

THE CAVES STATE SCHOOL invites you to join us to celebrate

Under 8’s Day

on Friday, 22 May
from 9:15 – 10:30am

for fun and games to celebrate early childhood

then join us for Morning Tea from 10:30 – 11:00.

Please bring:
a hat, a cup and a plate of healthy party food to share.

For more information, please contact the Caves State School:

Telephone: 1019 4912 6111
Fax: 1019 4934 2937
Email: admin@caves.qld.edu.au

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BEEF TO BEACH

Celebrating Queensland Week

SUNDAY
31 MAY

2pm – 6.30pm
Bell Park Enmu Park

Big Beef BBQ
Market stalls
Stage program
Free photo booth
Skatepark workshop
Games for the whole family
Local touch footy match
Finishing the night with
FIREWORKS!

Hosted by Livingstone Shire Council
and jointly funded by the State Government

For more information please contact Council’s Customer Service Centre on 4913 8000 or check out our website www.livingstone.qld.gov.au

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The Old Station
Fly In & Heritage Show

Saturday 23rd May &
Sunday 24th May 4pm – 2pm

MATT HALL

Live Band & Bar Saturday Night
- Aircraft
- Joy Flights
- Heritage Machinery
- Market Day
- Fashion Parade
- Children’s Entertainment
- Food/Dinners
- Stalls

Friday Night 22nd May
Evening Dinner

Information Enquiries

General Enq. Line: 0418 4913 8000
Email: airfield@oldsitetonqld.com.au

Airfield Enquiries:
Median (Sunset to Sunset)
- Helicopter
- Plane
- Ultralight
- The Hangar
- Racing Club
- Qantas

For more information please check out our website www.oldstationflyingleague.com.au

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The Old Station
Flying Club

Sunday 24th May 4pm – 2pm

Fayre

Weekend Camping

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**P&C NEWS**

Next meeting: Thursday, 28 May at 9:00am in the Multi-Purpose building.

**MOTHER'S DAY STALL THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who donated a gift for the Mother’s Day stall last Friday. The stall was a huge success raising $456.00 for The Caves State School P & C Association. The P & C utilise these funds to benefit the children attending The Caves State School. We thank you for your contribution in the way of a gift(s) and sending money for your children to make a purchase. All the children took great care to choose the best gift for their loved one and it was enjoyable to watch. We hope you enjoyed Mother’s Day on Sunday. Thank you to my helpers. Without you I could not possibly help children choose gifts, wrap 100+ presents and write cards. Thank you Josie Merritt, Sally Shaw, Hollie Brookes, Robyn Robson and Ainsley Kime. A special thank you also to Mrs Buch for donating the pretty wrapping paper.

If you have any suggestions, feedback or ideas regarding the stall please feel free to email me at snowdonfamily1@bigpond.com. I welcome your ideas.

*Alicia Snowdon*

*Co-ordinator*

**BONFIRE NIGHT**

If you have any old “dead” wood that you would like to donate to the Bonfire Night, please contact Alicia Snowdon 0459 792 546 to arrange a suitable drop off time. Wood for Bonfire Night will be stored at the fire site this year.

Thanking you in advance.

**THANK YOU TO OUR ARMY OF VOLUNTEERS!!**

Last week saw our P&C undertake two major fundraisers, each demanding significant manpower to ensure success.

First, we had catering for the Beef Week Belmont Property tour and thanks to our virtual army of bakers and "on the ground" troops this was a great success with compliments from Beef Australia and the Property tour organising committee.

Then to conclude the week, our wonderful Mother’s Day stall which ensures that our many well deserving Mums are made to feel truly special.

So a HUGE THANK YOU to all involved – it was a big week close on the heels of the show and we appreciate that there are many within in our community who have gone well above and beyond in donating time and effort to ensure the continued success of our fundraising endeavours.

**DATE CLAIMER – DATE CLAIMER – BONFIRE NIGHT, SATURDAY 30 MAY**

A reminder to all that we will again see in winter with our Bonfire Night on Saturday, 30 May and hope that all in our school community will join us for this great family friendly night. In addition to our impressive bonfire, the spectacle of the drum art entries really is a sight not to be missed. A bar and food stall operates through the night with live music to add to the entertainment.

Of course, to pull off an event like this, many hands really do make light and believe it or not, fun work!! In the next couple of weeks we will be asking for assistance with preparations the day of and help with things like manning the gate, food and bar stall and of course the inevitable clean up, so please consider if you might be able to contribute to the success of this great event.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Jocelyn on 0418 559 919 or email jocelyn@peffcabinets.com.au
The Caves State School P&C Assoc.

Bonfire Night

Saturday 30 May 2015

Bar operating
Hot Food
Live Music
6pm-late

Come and join The Caves State School community to welcome the Winter of 2015 at our annual BONFIRE & DRUM ART night! It promises to be an evening of family fun for all on the oval at The Caves State School. Bonfire night entry fee: $20 per family or $5 per person (school age & older).

Enter your drum art or drum sculpture now! Entries close 22 May 2015. Nomination fee: $10 per drum

For further information and entry form for drum art please contact:
Jocelyn Becker-Peff – 0418 559 919 / pandc@thecavess.eq.edu.au