Principal’s Message:

Well, Week 8 is done and dusted, and I must say what a fantastic week it has been. Last Friday, we witnessed the induction of our Student Leaders. It was awesome to have Ted Malone, the local member for Mirani, take time out of his busy schedule to present the student leaders with their badges. Thank you to all of the community members who attended and congratulations once again to all our Student Leaders. A special thanks also to Kassy, Lorraine Connolly, Louise Cook, and Jodie Clarence for assisting with the food preparation and cleaning up for our special celebration.
It was also a fantastic end to the week with the addition of Justin Standley at our school. The students thoroughly being engaged in theoretical and practical components of the Music Curriculum.

**Staffing**
Between now and the end of the Term, Kerry Cook will be working with Miss Amiet at the Swimming Pool. Kerry has her Bronze Medallion and is qualified to assist with Swimming.

**Student Council**
The Student Leaders have got their Games program up and running and will be holding lunch time activities Monday and Thursday this week. The Easter Colouring in Activity for the Prep to Year two students and the details for the Poster Competition for Years 3-7 will go home this week. Entries are due in on Monday 31st March. The winning entry for each Year level will win an Easter egg.

**Spelling Bee**
Our Spelling Bee competition for Prep to Year 7 students has been organised. Students will be given their list of words at the end of Week 9 - 29th March. Students will then have the last week of school, the holidays and a day or two in week Two, Term 2 to learn their Spelling. Students will sit their Spelling Bee Tests on the 23rd or the 24th of April, depending on year level. Students in each year level will be awarded with a Participation Certificate. Prizes and Certificates will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each year level. An encouragement award will also be awarded to a student in each year level. This student may not necessarily be the best speller, but someone who tries really hard in demonstrating a great effort with improvement in Spelling. Students will be awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes in each year level and an encouragement award per year level will also be awarded. If there is a tie, there will be a Spelling Bee play off, using a number of words that will not be revealed to students. Students will have the following number of Spelling Words and Prizes awarded:

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Parent/Carer/Teacher Interviews
Just a reminder if you would like to discuss your child’s social and academic progress and/or discuss any concerns you may have, you are being invited to make an appointment to see your child/s Teacher. All Teachers will be conducting Parent/Carer Teacher Interviews during the last week of school, on Tuesday the 1st and Wednesday the 2nd of April. Teachers will organise and send home their own Parent/Teacher schedule for the booking of appointments.

P & C Meeting
Due to unforeseen circumstances, the P & C Meeting last week was cancelled. There will be a P & C Meeting this Wednesday, 19th March at 2.45 pm in the Arts/Music Room. All community members are welcome to attend. Unfortunately we have had a bit of a rocky start, with two resignations from our newly elected P & C, due to other commitments. Thanks again to Jade O’Connor and Jodie Baguley for offering to previously take on roles and we wish you the very best of luck with your future endeavours. We have received nominations for Secretary and Treasurer, which we will formally induct at the next P & C Meeting.

Shave for a Cure
Congratulations to Lorraine Connolly, Neil Connolly and Bradley Duggan for braving the ‘Shave for a Cure’. You should all be so immensely proud of yourselves, because we are so proud of you all, and the challenge you undertook to sacrifice your locks for raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation. It is people like you that make the world a better place.

Supporting Aussie Farmers
Aussie Helpers week was last week; however the bucket donation has still not been picked up. If you would like to still donate, please drop in a BP/Caltex Fuel Voucher, an IGA Food Voucher, or a donation of cash which they will deliver to drought affected farmers. If you are a Farmer doing it tough, or you know of any farmers doing it tough, you may also like to contact the organisation and let them know, so that all our Aussie Farmers can get a hand.

Buy a Bale Free Dress Day
Our school is registered for the ‘buy a bale of hay’ program. We will be having a Free Dress ‘dress like a farmer’ on Friday 28th March. Students will need to bring a gold coin donation in, and all money will assist our drought affected farmers.

National Ride to School Day
Don’t forget National Ride2School Day this Wednesday 19th March! This event is being supported by Isaac Regional Council in conjunction with Pacific National. Children are encouraged to ride to school this day. Of course, it is all about safety, so it would be expected that any child riding to school would be wearing a helmet. If you live a long way from the school and are concerned that it would not be deemed safe for your child to ride that far, perhaps you could drive them a part of the way, and drop them off in a safe spot not too far from the school. Some students have asked if they can ride their horse. Of course, if this were to happen, the same safety and distance rules should be adhered to. NO horses will be allowed to remain at school for the day, so parent/s and carer/s would need to be waiting at the school to immediately take the horse home.

Entries for the Poster Competition to win a bike donated from Pacific National were all collected last Monday 10th March. Isac Regional Council will announce the winners between Wednesday 19th March and Friday 21st March.

To help celebrate and promote this day, we will be commencing the day with a healthy breakfast for students on Wednesday 19th March. Cereal, Fruit and scrambled eggs and toast will be on offer. If any parents can assist with breakfast in the morning, it would be great. Breakfast will kick off around 8am. We
will then follow with our own normal assembly procedures, followed by a special addition, where Police will attend to discuss ‘Safety when Riding’. A representative from the Isaac Council will also be in attendance and will be giving away some free items. Miss Laura Amiet will also be coordinating a safe ride activity for students in the school grounds.

The Arts Curriculum - Dance
On the 24th and 25th of March, James Fenwick will be visiting Nebo State School to engage the students in the teaching of Dance. James has a wealth of knowledge and experience, including previous dance teaching, competing at National and International level competitions and recently appearing in ‘Timomatic’s’ video ‘Everything’s Allowed’. As James is my son, I had to declare James as a conflict of interest and get approval from the Education Department. This has been approved and James will teach here at Nebo and come back in June to teach other schools in the Brigalow Cluster.

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Have a fantastic week

Jennifer Fenwick

NEBO BOWLS CLUB INC
Fun Bowls Day March 22nd starting at 3pm, $5 per entry, Sausage sizzle & prizes to be won. Come along and have a fun filled afternoon.
TuckShop

NO GOUJONS THIS WEEK

Thankyou to Jodie and Nikki for working in the Tuckshop last week.

Please use the green price list for tuckshop from now on. We are still looking for Helpers to help in the tuckshop, so if you could help please full out the roster forma nd hand it into the office, or please see and let me know.

Everything on the menu is available through both breaks except for icecreams, which are only available during the second break. Nutella’s, Cupcakes and drinks are available over the counter for both breaks.

Roster for Term 1:

18/3/14 Christina
25/3/14 Ian & Nikita
1/4/14 Nikki

Thanks Kassy

School Disco – Valkyrie State School

ALOHA!

VALKYRIE STATE SCHOOL is hosting its very first HAWAIIAN DANCE PARTY!

When: Friday 28th of March
Where: Valkyrie State School
Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Who: Students from Valkyrie, Coppabella, Mackenzie River and Nebo State Schools
Cost: $5 – entry, sausage in bread and a popper
Theme: Hawaiian Dance Party – come in your best Hawaiian clothes and dance the night away

If you require any information please contact the school on 49507 126
Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition at School

We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional guitar and keyboard tuition to students starting in Term 2, 2014. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia’s leading provider of school music tuition. Music Stars provides:

- Group guitar and keyboard tuition
- Caters for all grades & music levels
- Weekly 30 minute sessions
- Convenient! Lessons at school!
- Very Affordable! $110 per term
- 70% less then out-of-school lessons + early bird & family discounts available
- End of year reports and certificates
- **Guitars and keyboards supplied for use during lessons**

Registrations Close Soon!

Please register online via [www.musicstars.com.au](http://www.musicstars.com.au) Fortnightly and monthly payment options are available. If minimum numbers are not met the program will not be able to run.

More Information

If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below.

**Phone:** 1300 889 179  
**Email:** info@musicstars.com.au  

We hope you can support this program!

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**Research project — Can you assist?**

**Remember when you believed in anything and everything?**

Researchers from the University of Western Australia are investigating children’s ability to detect and avoid potentially harmful social interactions, such as being easily fooled or tricked into doing something. We are looking to see how this develops in children, and when children outgrow this vulnerability.

We are looking for parents of **Kindergarten – Year 6 children** across Australia to complete an online survey (15 – 20 minutes). Participants will go into a draw to win one of 10 $50 gift certificates to Coles/Myers. To participate go to:

[http://tinyurl.com/childsvq](http://tinyurl.com/childsvq)

Or for more information please contact Rebecca Seward at (08) 6488 4652
Are you Interested in Hosting an Exchange Student?
World Education Program (WEP) Australia; is an independent not-for-profit student exchange organisation. They are looking for volunteer host families in the school community who would like to extend their family with an older overseas brother or sister and to introduce their children to a different culture. Please see the attached Newsletter for further information.

Anne Street Estate is an affordable residential land release developed in partnership between Isaac Regional Council and the Australian Government.

Lots range in size from 600 – 1540 m² with power, water and sewerage. Each lot attracts a cash rebate of up to $54,129. Contact Isaac Regional Council today to see how this could be your new home site or lifestyle investment. Sue Johnson Ph: 4983 4768 / 0417 253 673 to discuss.