DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 7 May
Class 7 Parent Teacher Night, 7pm

Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 May
School Photos

Tuesday 13 – Thursday 15 May
NAPLAN testing

Tuesday 20 May
Assembly, The Hall – 8:45am
Class 2 & Class 5 Parent Teacher Night, 7pm

Wednesday 21 May
Class 1 Parent Teacher Night, 7pm

Thursday 22 May
Preschool Parent Teacher Night, 7pm

Saturday 24 May
Bush Dance – The Hall, 6:30pm

Saturday 31 May
Working Bee

ADMINISTRATION NEWS

School Photos
School photos are taking place on Monday 12 and Tuesday 13 May. Please see timetable below.
Class photos will be taken first, immediately followed by individual shots taken nearby.

Monday 12 May
8.40am - Class 7
9.00 am - Class 5
11.20am - Class 1
11.45am - Class 2
12.10pm - Class 3
1.20pm - Class 8
1.40pm - Class 9
2.00pm - High School group photo

Tuesday 13 May
8.30am - Star Gold
9.00am - Briar Rose
11.20am - Class 6
11.45am - Class 4
1.20pm - Class 10
1.40pm - Class 11
2.00pm - Class 12
Photo Orders
Each child will receive an envelope next week. To order, please return ONE ENVELOPE FOR EACH CHILD. Spare envelopes will be available from the office.

NAPLAN
NAPLAN testing for Classes 3, 5, 7 & 9 will be in week 3. Withdrawal forms are available at the Front Office and need to be completed and returned by Friday 9th May.

Joan, Judy & Mercedes

Craft Teacher Vacancy
After many years as Craft Teacher in the Primary School Kate Sharp has decided to retire from work in the classroom. The school is very grateful of her huge contribution over many years. Consequently, we are advertising for a Craft Teacher Position for Classes 1-5 beginning in Term 3.

The application package is available on the school’s website. Closing date is Friday 9 May.

ENROLMENTS
This term we welcome back Rory Kearney from his exchange overseas, Rory spent time at Kimberton Waldorf School in Pennsylvania for 4 months.
We also welcome in 2 new students into the High School.

  Gavin Requena – September and his parents Manuela and Nicholas;
  Yuka Kato – who is our first long term International student, she has come from Japan. I want to thank Paul, Jacqueline, Max and Ava Hobbs for opening up their home and their hearts as a host family for Yuka. It is a very big undertaking to host a student for a long length of time.

Along with these enrolments we also have a few student visitors in the High School. We have Rebekka on exchange from Denmark and 9 students visiting from Hyderabad Waldorf School, India.

I hope the term goes well for all.
Mercedes Logan

PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS
Welcome back everyone. I trust you have had a restful and rejuvenating break after the climax of the wonderful Autumn Festivals. I would especially welcome new families to the school and wish your children all the best with their education. It is also good to see Loretta return to Class 7.

With the equinox well past the days are growing much shorter and the mornings much darker with a growing tendency to remain in the warmth of sleep while the mists clear. We appreciate the extra effort it takes to get the children to school before the bell at 8:25 (8:15 for High School).

Anzac Day in the village was huge this year and I thank Edmund, Rory and Mariana for making and laying a wreath at this solemn ceremony. It was also good to see a number of parents commemorating this event. Lest we forget! Next year will be the centenary and the venue will be the new Heritage Trail.
There have been a couple of upgrades over the holidays, namely the High School oval with stage one complete and additions to the Upper Primary adventure playground. The children from Classes 4-7 (pictured left) have been making much use of the new ropes and pummels with some reporting sore arms and hands. The playground has indeed been designed to develop upper body strength.

During our in service days we were fortunate to have Margaret Thorsborne step us through the fundamentals of Restorative Practices which has given insights for the staff in developing relationships with students, parents and colleagues. It has been said that the three r’s of education are relationship, relationship, relationship! We spent our first whole school faculty meeting together in the kitchen garden and under the direction of Dave Rule, our gardening teacher, we weeded, applied the 500 preparation, mulched, composted, and cooked pizzas. A great start to the term.

Camps are times when relationships get plenty of time to grow and develop. Class 6 are currently at Girraween National Park studying geology. With the colder weather coming through I will be thinking of them and their experience of camping in a different climate from Brisbane. Later in the term Class 7 will be adventuring through the Flinders Ranges with camels. Class 4 are looking at indigenous culture and have an excursion planned for the Ngutana-Lui Aboriginal & Islander Cultural Centre. This week they have been up to the local Bora Ring. Class 5 are looking at indigenous culture and have an excursion planned for the Ngutana-Lui Aboriginal & Islander Cultural Centre. This week they have been up to the local Bora Ring. Class 5 are having extra ensembles this term to bolster the instrumental programme.

At the beginning of term Parent Teacher Meetings are a good opportunity to learn more about your children’s development and the curriculum that supports this unfolding of the individual. Both children and teachers appreciate you taking an active interest in their work. Jenny McDonald, our Literacy and Numeracy Support Teacher will be attending some of the parent meetings to talk about ways to help children with their reading, spelling and maths facts.

Classes 1, 2 &3 are scheduled to present at Assembly on Tuesday 20 May followed by Classes 6 & 7 in week 6 and Classes 4 & 5 in week 8. The last week of term will be week 9 and winter festivals and the winter spiral will be the focus for the week.

Saturday 24 May will be our Bush Dance so mark it in your calendars and get ready for some heel and toe. Students will be part of the Bush Band. Friday Foodies, organised by PAFA, will start next Friday and I look forward to this exciting initiative.

Have a great term everyone.

Chris Jack
Education Administrator

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS
Welcome back to all our students and families, I hope you enjoyed your time over the Easter break.

The High School has begun Term 2 with gusto, quite a few new students and nine visiting students from the Abhaya Steiner School in Hyderabad, India. An impressively large morning circle each day! The students from India are accompanied by our good friend and colleague Jayesh. They will be studying with Class 10, currently the Trigonometry main lesson and then head out to Chinchilla with us for the Surveying main lesson. I would like to give my heartfelt thanks to the families who
have opened their homes to billet one or more of the visiting students. It has always been a rich and rewarding experience for both the students and staff to host this cultural exchange. There will be an "Indian Dinner" evening at school at the end of week 6, Saturday 7 June, which is something not to be missed!

We welcome a new teacher this term, Jacek Sicinski, who is working with Class 9 and 12 Maths and sport, and we also have Melanie Allan back with us for a term taking Class 11 English. Mel taught English and Drama in the High School a few years back and always brought a bright warm energy to her classes and the staffroom. We also have Miriam Glasby (Peter's niece) here with us for 4 weeks, she is doing her teaching practicum at SVSS as part of her Masters of Teaching at La Trobe Uni.

Class 8 is gearing up, literally, for their Food Chemistry camp next week - a "Bike Hike" starting at Mundubbera and riding south to Chinchilla. Along the way they continue their studies into the chemistry of food and nutrition. We'll give you the full story of this journey in a few weeks.

Class 9 are immersed in Tragedy and Comedy with Molly, the sympathy with their age and approach to life right now. Class 11 are investigating Statistics in their main lesson with Mark. An insight and understanding into the way data can be interpreted is a crucial aspect of our modern society. Class 12 are with me, studying Chemistry - "Substance and an Expression of Nature Forces". This main lesson explores the underlying nature of Carbon, Oxygen and Hydrogen and the substances they form in combination and journeys through plant sugars and acids, the important features of animals metabolism and into the biochemistry of purines (e.g. Caffeine, DNA and more).

Photo: A few of Class 9 enjoying a moment in at the Bunya Mountains at the end of last term.
Indian Feast – Saturday 7 June - 6- 8.30pm
Class 10 and the visiting students will be hosting an Indian feast
This is a class 10 fundraiser
More info to come

Have a wonderful weekend.
Tim Dunn
Education Administrator

INTERESTING ARTICLES
Essay about perils of technology earns a HVWS alumna a full scholarship by Eileen Fitzgerald for The News-Times.
This week we would like to highlight an article posted on the Housatonic Valley Waldorf School website. It is about one student’s experience of learning without the use of technology in the early years of schooling. If you would like to read the full article, please click on this link: http://www.waldorfct.org/RelId/625556/InfoGroup/3972/ISVars/default/Essay_about_perils_of_technology_earns_HVWS_alumna_a_full_scholarship.htm

PAFA NEWS
We hope that everyone had a relaxing and rejuvenating Easter break and are ready for Term 2! There is a lot of scheming…I mean…PLANNING for events that are happening throughout the year. See below for more details.

Friday Foodies
Hooray! It is finally Term 2 and we’ve got Friday Foodies lined up to start off in week 2. Live Music, homemade food, hot drinks, seedlings, local grown produce and second hand children’s books for sale. Come and relax with us at the end of the week with a hot drink, nibbles and some great company!

This will be a weekly event on every Friday from 3pm-4pm. If you would like to contribute any items for sale such as home-grown produce, home-made food or second-hand children’s books please contact Angelina via email angelina@cartridgeciti.com or phone 0403 926 568. We are also aiming to have some live music every Friday. So if you are musically inclined or your children would like some experience performing please contact Brendan Hook bhook@samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au
Just a reminder to keep an eye on your children as the school is not responsible for your children’s supervision after school hours.

Bush Dance
The Bush Dance will be on this term on Saturday 24 May at the Hall. The Board will be running the sausage sizzle and Chris Jack’s band Murphy’s Pigs will also be playing! So write this date down and bring your dancing shoes for a fun night!

IGA Community Key Tags
At the end of last term your eldest child should have brought home an IGA Community Key Tag. There are spares at the office if you didn’t receive one or if you would like to give them to friends and family to use when they shop. Present the Key Tag every time you shop at the local Samford Drake Supermarket for a portion of your spending to go back to the school!
PAFA meeting
We will be having our first PAFA meeting in week 4, Wednesday 21 May from 9am at the Hub. The school’s Senior Leadership Team (SLT) and the Board always present an update at the beginning of these meetings. It is always interesting and is also a good way to find out what is going on at the school. The second half is the fun half where we talk about all the exciting events we’ve got coming up.

PAFA Investments into the Gardening Programme and OSHC
We are delighted to report back that PAFA has been able to donate $1000.00 to the gardening programme. Dave Rule has had fun purchasing a number of items, including much needed trowels, hoses, watering cans, secateurs and consumables.

Dave Rule writes "In addition to your generous donation I would like to acknowledge all the work that parents, and the school community at large, have done in improving the environment in the Kitchen Garden. It has become a wonderful, productive and beautiful place to visit and learn in."

OSHC received $500.00 from PAFA and Kylie is happy to report back that this money has now been spent on craft, sport and music equipment.

The Kiln House
PAFA proudly purchased 3 kilns last year, using money from the Bendigo Bank grant, craft group and the Bush Dance. The school has now completed the building to house the Kilns. The teachers and students are very excited as there is a lot of student work waiting to be fired. This will be a wonderful space to be used by not only the school community but it will also be open to the wider community to enjoy and to preserve their wonderful creations.

There is so much going on now!
We look forward to seeing you all at Friday Foodies, week 2 at the Hub :)

Imogen (PAFA President) and Amy (PAFA Vice President)
PARENT LIBRARY
Come and check out the new books in the Parent Library. Here is a selection:

PARENT CRAFT GROUP NEWS
Please join us this Wednesday 7th May as we make Winter gnome rings for the seasonal table. Craft group meets from 9am at The Hub; bring your basic sewing kit or borrow from us on the day.
With warm regards,
Cindy Rylands cindy.rylands@bigpond.com and
Lisa Cashion colourmepurple@hotmail.com

ASSOCIATED INITIATIVES
These Steiner/Anthroposopically related activities and services, whilst not directly related the school, can be seen to be in sympathy with and supportive of the impulse of Steiner education.

LEARNING SUPPORT TEACHER - CONSULTANT
Our growing F-3 Primary Faculty are seeking to employ a Learning Support Teacher on a consultant basis for five days per year (one day face to face per term, plus reporting time). The applicant will have sound knowledge, experience and expertise in the field. We seek an individual who has skills in sensory integration and therapeutic work such as Extra Lesson and similar approaches consistent with an Anthroposophical outlook on child development. The ability to combine this with a range of other approaches would be advantageous. The role entails providing individual and class assessments to assist class teachers, provide reports and recommendations where required, as well as attending special needs enrolment interviews.

The successful applicant will be available to commence work on May 15, 2014.

Please apply to the Recruitment Panel, Moreton Bay Birali Steiner School, providing a letter of introduction and full CV, including the names of two professional referees. These should be emailed to info@moretonbaysteiner.qld.edu.au by May 2, 2014.

We welcome any enquiries via email for additional information.
MORETON BAY BIRALI STEINER SCHOOL
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – BOARD OF DIRECTORS (Volunteer)
Expressions of interest are sought from suitably qualified and experienced candidates to serve as a Director on the Moreton Bay Birali Steiner School Board. Several positions are available on the Board of this young, independent school. Successful candidates will offer expertise in one or more of the following areas:
- legal - finance - strategic planning - town planning.
Applicants should possess an understanding of and commitment to Steiner Education and Anthroposophy, or a willingness to develop an understanding of and commitment to these pedagogical and philosophical underpinnings of the School. Please email any enquiries or expressions of interest and CV to president@moretonbaysteiner.qld.edu.au by 9 May 2014.

CLASSIFIEDS
Please note: All Classified Advertisements are submitted by individuals for the community benefit. They do not in any way express the views, opinions, endorsement or policy of the school and should not be relied upon as such.
There is a flat $2 charge for each advertisement and payment is required prior to inclusion.

Lost and (partly) found
I lost my Italian silver 50cm necklace on the Friday of the Autumn Festival. The Moonstone pendant which was attached, has been handed in to the office already, but has anyone seen my necklace?
Please let me know. Heidy, teacher's assistant Class 2, 0418 774 709

Free dental check-ups and treatment available now!
Regular dental check-ups and early preventive care are an important part of good oral health. The Dental Van is not currently at your school but Metro North Oral Health Services are offering your child an additional dental check-up between visits. Your child will also receive additional appointments if any treatment is needed – all free of charge!

This offer of care is an opportunity to provide your child with more timely access to public dental care and we also now have the ability to offer more regular recalls for children who attend our service. So if it has been more than six months since your child’s last check-up ring us up now.

Call 1300 300 850 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Tuesday - Friday and our friendly staff will arrange an appointment for you at one of our school-based dental facilities.

Ever wanted to Design and Build your own Biodynamic Flowform?
An essential part of Rudolf Steiner's biodynamic agriculture is stirring preparations to create vortexes. Flowforms recreate the infinity / lemniscate motion of natural streams, giving life to water. They are used to purify natural swimming pools, mix biodynamic preparations, treat grey and black-water, add life-force to water and build amazing landscape features. Australia's leader in flowforms is coming to Queensland for a 3 day workshop where people can not only design and build a flowform, but also mould so that they can continue making more. Contact kestrel@bellbunya.org.au or visit www.bellbunya.org.au/events-calendar for more information.

Come and play Touch Footy
At Mitchelton Junior leagues with CityKidz Touch on Thursdays from 4:10. Sign on days 24 April and 1 May. Ring Helena 3275 2077 or Peter 0439 679 379 for more information”

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Blue Light Disco
The next Samford Blue light Disco will be the first Friday in June which will be June 6 2014. More info will follow. There were 30 children at the last disco and from all reports they had a great night. Thank you all for continued support and we hope to see more young people at the next disco.
Sirgun Yoga
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Animating Spaces - Samford Now
will draw together multiple art forms in a vibrant celebration of people and place in three unique projects. History will be created as local folk are invited to make short films to be premiered in the festival Samford Shorts. Bookings are now open for free public workshops with local filmmakers Athene Currie, Iain Anderson and Josh Wilkinson. Workshops will run on Saturday, 24 May and Saturday, 31 May - places are limited so book soon through the website. All locally-produced or themed films will be eligible for submission and will premiere at a screening to be held in the heart of Samford Village on Friday, 12 September. Stay tuned for more details about the other three projects and visit the website www.samfordnow.com.au or like us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/samfordnow.

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Please call Emma on 0400 826 991, or e-mail emma.forsberg1@bigpond.com. Emma is available for performances at Family Day Care, Child Care Centres and functions.
Astrology Readings and Healings
Astrology is a tool or blueprint which is used to tell us who we are, where we have come from in the past and our life’s purpose. A reading can be particularly helpful during times of change or trauma, as it can help us find a new direction. Healings help remove emotional and spiritual blockages which can create disease in the physical body. Deep Memory Process sessions (past-life regression) also available for clearing karmic patterns which are being repeated during this life-time.
1 hr session: $50.00
Please call Asa Yanagi on 0414 615 899 for appointments or inquiries.

Yoga Centre Samford
Yoga classes to suit all levels of experience and busy schedules. All welcome. Iyengar, Oki Do Yoga, Hatha and Yoga Chi Gung. $5 Community Yoga classes Fri 9 May and 13 June 6.30pm. For the early birds Yoga Chi Gung Tues 6.00-7.00am and Open Yoga Class Sat 7.30- 9.00am. Yoga Workshop Mothers Day. Open Day Saturday 14 June. Yoga gear and gifts for sale. Space available for hire at great rates.
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Caboolture Hub
Building a Positive Relationship with your Teen” will be held here early May. It’s all too easy for parents to be side-tracked right when their children need them most - during the teenage years. Teenagers need their parents more than they will ever admit. When the relationship has disconnected, it is all too easy for a teenager to start down the wrong path in life. If you need to build a better relationship with your teen join Kirsty O’Callaghan, Counsellor/Coach and learn how to remain aware of your needs and theirs, stay balanced, and be conscious in your choices, to build real communication, trust, respect and boundaries.
Thursday 8th May 2014, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, $11 per person – Bookings Essential RSVP by 01/05/14.
For Parents of children 12-17 years old.
Venue: Caboolture Hub, 4 Hasking Street, Caboolture

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Sign on Days: Thursday 24 April and 1 May.
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Time: 4:10 each Thursday and finish by 6:00 pm. Ring Helena 3275 2077 or Peter 0439 679 379 for more information”