THE RIDGE REVIEW
Acacia Ridge State School Newsletter (published fortnightly)

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ACACIA RIDGE ROCKETS
We are the Acacia Ridge Rockets.
We are respectful, safe, learners.

Principal’s Message

Dear Families,

Recently our Year 3, 5 and 7 students sat the NAPLAN tests for Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy. As I visited these students during the testing period, I was reminded of the wonderful attitudes to learning we have in our school. Congratulations to these students on their efforts and to all of our other students who continually show me that they want to come to school each and every day, to learn and be their best.

PREP EXCURSION TO CELEBRATE READING

Last week our Prep students attended Watson Road State School as part of the National Simultaneous Story Time event, which celebrated the joy of reading across Australia. Our students participated in many activities including watching a play about the book “Too Many Elephants in this House”, mask-making, puppet making and other art and craft activities.

YEAR 6 AND 7 STUDENTS VISIT YERONGA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Recently our Year 6 and 7 students visited Yeronga State High School to see what high school will be like. Our students had the opportunity to participate in many activities including cooking, Science, Chinese and Drama.

P & C DAY

Friday 23 May was P&C Day. I would like to thank not just our P & C members, but all of our parent community for your wonderful support and all that you do to help make our school a great school.

State Schools are Great Schools!

Note: This newsletter is sent home to all families each fortnight and can also be downloaded from the school’s website: www.acaciaridgess.eq.edu.au

Great state. Great opportunity.
FIRE ENGINE VISIT
The Prep/1 and Year 1/2 classes had a visit from the Fire Service recently to talk with our students about fire safety in the home and how to 'stop, drop and roll'.

Our students thoroughly enjoyed the visit and even got to have a go at squirting the big fire hose.

BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK
Next week we are focusing on Caring for our School.

- We put rubbish in the bin
- We care for our environment
- We respect school property
- We take pride in our school

Kind regards,
Penny Grant

Congratulations!
to our award winners

Student of the Week – Week 4
Prep Hussein Al-Salim
P/1 Derilyn Mountzion
1/2 Quintin Johnson
2/3 Luisa Hola
3 Radiya Mohamed Abdulwahab
3/4 Parvenah Fayyazi
4/5 Jonathon Kolte
5/6 Breanne Kay
6/7 Mathew Smyth

Student of the Week – Week 5
Prep Yousef Fayyazi
P/1 Tylcyen Hankin
1/2 Egra Egal Hassan
2/3 Trista Yates
3 Amber Toomey
3/4 Joel Taal
4/5 Timathy Toomey
5/6 Monica Vu
6/7 Zac Griffin

Behaviour of the Week – Week 4
Prep Ayub Egal Hassan
P/1 Sharney McIntosh
1/2 AJ Bollinger
2/3 Harmony Kay
3 William Taal
3/4 George Hola
4/5 Ahmed Hussein
5/6 Cassidy Roach
6/7 Tiffini Percival

Behaviour of the Week – Week 5
Prep Nancy Sione
P/1 Laars Collins
1/2 Kiye Phillips
2/3 Ali Kazimi
3 Bryce Sears
3/4 Alexandra Tamayo
4/5 Tess Dawson
5/6 Peau Fatafehi
6/7 Floyd Currie
25 Star Stamps

WEEK 4
PREP - Callum Wakefield, Kieran Jackson, Jazmine Hola, Madeline Fowler, Alyvia Samia, Ayub Egal Hassan, Tangata Huirua-Canterbury
P/1 - Danny Taai, Victor Huynh, Saema Kazemi and Luyando Viluguran
2/3 - Harmony Kay
3 - Parneet Kaur
5/6 - Taipe Hola, Monica Yu, Lyn Huynh, Jennifer Tran, Reini Telfer, Huda Akhlaqi, Rachel Sione, Delitine Ntakrutimana, Alamani Fevaleaki

50 Star Stamps

P/1 - Saema Kazemi

25 Star Stamps

WEEK 5
PREP - Ajla Ahmetovic, Daud Hussein
P/1 - Cienna Field-Hartley
2/3 - Daphne Hola, Tajiana Williams
3/4 - Marcus Samia, George Hola, Vivian Tran
4/5 - Joshua Mortera, Shontia Stephens, Mitchell Sorensen

TERM 2

WEEK 6
Monday 26 – Tuesday 27 May
- BOOK FAIR continues
Wednesday 28 May
- Afternoon Sport, Years 4-7 - Basketball
Thursday 29 May
- Afternoon Sport, Years Prep-3 - Soccer
Friday 28 May
- Gala Day – Football, Touch, AFL & Basketball

WEEK 7
Wednesday 04 June
- Afternoon Sport, Years 4-7 - Basketball
Thursday 05 June
- Afternoon Sport, Years Prep-3 - Soccer
Friday 06 June
- Bookclub orders and monies due

WEEK 8
Monday 09 June
- Public Holiday – NO SCHOOL TODAY
Wednesday 11 June
- Afternoon Sport, Years 4-7 - Basketball
Thursday 12 June
- Afternoon Sport, Years Prep-3 - Soccer

WEEK 9
Wednesday 18 June
- Afternoon Sport, Years 4-7 - Basketball
Thursday 19 June
- Afternoon Sport, Years Prep-3 - Soccer

WEEK 10
Wednesday 25 to Friday 27 June
- Year 6 & Year 7 Camp at Tallebudgera
Friday 27 June
- Report Cards go home
- Last day of Term 2

TERM 3

WEEK 1
Monday 14 July - School commences for Term 3
At LAST!! A Tutoring Experience By ONLY Qualified, Experienced Teachers That Guarantees Someone You Know (Prep to Adult) WILL CATCH UP, KEEP UP or GET AHEAD in
- Maths
- English
- Reading
- Spelling
- Comprehension + More

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Phone 3278 8788

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• Eligible Children Bulk Billed through the new Child Dental Benefits Scheme.
• CDG Dental Care Plan $1 a day (payment plans available).
• All Health Funds Accepted.
• Vietnamese speaking nurse to cater to the Locals.

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Inala QLD 4077
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Councillor Steve Griffiths
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Children’s Menu
Phone: 3277 6600
Brandon Park, Mortimer Road, ACACIA RIDGE
admin@southsports.com.au

Supporting Your Community
www.southsports.com.au
We would like to remind everyone that we have a FREE breakfast club for all Acacia Ridge State School students running from the New Hall kitchen each morning from 8am – 8.20am.

Thank you to all families who have kindly donated:

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Items. We must also say a huge thank you to Kelloggs Breakfast Buddies who have donated 9 cartons of cereal – Rice Bubbles, Sultana Bran and Corn Flakes.

Next P&C Meeting
Our next P&C Meeting will be held next Thursday the 12th June from 2.45pm in the office staff room. Everyone is welcome to attend – Hope to see you there. Thank you.

Bookclub
Bookclub orders and monies are due on 10 June 2014.

PCYC update

Before and After School Care
Welcome back to a new term of FUN!! During the school holidays PCYC has improved the School Age Care Service. Amber Cruickshank will be running the school age care services as part of PCYC State Office team.

Just one of the improvements we have made is reducing the cost of our service.

Your kids can have afternoon tea and attend a full day worth of activities for less than $5 per day. You can book just one day, two days or all 5 days!

Contact the service and speak with Amber, to get a personalised quote based on your Centrelink entitlements.

Our new staff have many ideas to re-vamp our program including being involved in Food Revolution day on the 16th of May.

Our centre is looking great after some TLC from the super team at state office. We’ve got new toys, resources, arts and craft resources and furniture for everyone to enjoy.

We are excited about these new changes and we hope you are too. For new parents who would like to join our service we will be offering a special deal for this Term 2 only. Once you attend the service for 9 sessions you will receive your 10th session for free.

If you would like to come and visit to see the centre and what we offer, come in and say hi. While you’re there, guess the number of lollies in the jar and you could win a prize for your whole family!

We hope to see you soon!

Mount Gravatt
BLUE LIGHT
DANCE PARTY

Ages strictly 7 – 14
(proof of age may be required)

Lucky door prizes including

Wireless Bluetooth speakers value $200

When Friday 6th June 2014

Where Mt Gravatt Police Citizens Youth Club
(50 Klumpp Road, Upper Mt Gravatt)

Time 7.00 pm until 9.30 pm

Cost $7.00

NO CAPS/HATS – NO PASSOUTS ALLOWED

No smoking – No drugs – No alcohol – No chewing gum

GOOD STANDARD OF BEHAVIOUR REQUIRED

Website: www.bluelighthq.org
www.mtgravattpcyc.org.au
Email: mtgravattblueight@gmail.com
PO Box 341 Mount Gravatt Q 4122

IT ALL STARTS HERE.
Brisbane City Council Libraries
Gold Star Reading Club

The Gold Star Reading Club will take off in Council libraries across the city on Saturday 7 June 2014.

There are five great reasons for children to get involved in the 2014 Gold Star Reading Club.

1. Membership to the Gold Star Reading Club is FREE!
2. The Gold Star Reading Club can help children improve their reading and literacy skills.
3. Children will be rewarded for reading with exciting monthly incentives – a coloured pencil kit, bag tag and library bag.
4. The opportunity for all participants to enter the monthly draw to win a $25 book voucher.
5. It’s FUN! Children will have fun sharing their reading experiences with family and friends.

This is a great opportunity for parents to share in their children’s reading achievements.

To register your child for the Gold Star Reading Club, simply visit [www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/libraries](http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/libraries) or your local library to complete a registration form.

For more information about the Gold Star Reading Club, visit your local library or call Council on 3403 8888.

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Are you a parent of a child with type 1 diabetes?

Every day, thousands of Australian children suffer the effects of type 1 diabetes and families struggle with illness management and children’s behavioural and emotional adjustment.

Positive Parenting for Healthy Living is an adaptation of the successful Triple P-Positive Parenting Program offering practical ideas and support for parents of children with type 1 diabetes. This innovative group program is designed to help parents manage their child’s illness, assist children in coping with their illness and emotions, and prevent and manage difficult child behaviour.

Over the next few months and for a limited time only, parents of 2-10 year old children with type 1 diabetes are able to access Positive Parenting for Healthy Living Triple P as part of a University of Queensland research project. Parents will be able to attend the program free of charge, and will be invited to complete 2 sets of assessment measures (questionnaire and family observation) over a 6 month period, as part of the study.

Contact adhle@uq.edu.au on 07 33467693 or email diabetes.health@uq.edu.au, or visit [https://exp.psych.uq.edu.au/11diabetes](https://exp.psych.uq.edu.au/11diabetes) for more information.

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Would you like your family to live a healthier lifestyle?

Researchers at the University of Queensland are currently offering a FREE Triple P parenting program to parents of children aged 0 to 12 years in exchange for participation in research.

Across three seminars you will learn strategies for:

- Managing both general and lifestyle-specific child problem behaviours
- Helping your child eat a healthy balance of nutritious foods
- Motivating your child to be more active
- Limits screen time

The program is run at St Lucia and Ipswich, with free childcare available for families. To register visit our website: [www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/triplep](http://www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/triplep)

Jessica Bartlett – Project Coordinator
Email: lifestyle@uq.edu.au
Phone: 0424 323 050 (please leave a message)

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Obsessive Compulsive Disorder in Children and Adolescents
GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY

Does your child worry excessively about certain things? Does your child engage in senseless and time-consuming habits, routines or rituals? Does your child constantly seek reassurance from you? Your child may be experiencing Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD) and Griffith University can help.

A research team at Griffith University is currently offering an OCD assessment and treatment service for children and teenagers aged 7 to 17 years. After an initial assessment, eligible children will take part in the OCD BUSTERS Program. This program, held at Griffith University, aims to reduce levels of OCD symptoms in children and youth. For further information call Dr Rosie Peters on (07) 3735 3349 or email the OCD Busters Team on ocdbusters@griffith.edu.au

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YERONGA STATE HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION

The next Y-Tour will be held on Thursday, 29 May from 9:00-10:30am
Come along to tour the school, chat with senior administration staff and students, have questions answered.
Morning Tea provided