Dear Parents,

Museum Visit

Yesterday, Nick Bailey and Mike Gemmell from the South Australian Museum visited our school and brought with them two amazing workshops. The students were able to look at insects and creatures found in our backyard and travelled back in time 4.5 billion years to see how rocks tell us stories. Students learnt about how they need to care for the land using specimens from the Museum’s collection. Students were highly engaged in these talks and were given a ‘hands on’ approach to foster their understanding. The school was given 12 specimens and 2 posters to further develop the students’ knowledge and understanding. These will be used as part of future classroom activities.

Music

Yesterday, Gladstone Primary School’s band travelled to us to combine with our band for a rehearsal. Students enjoyed sitting with other students who played the same instrument to practice a range of songs they have been learning. These songs included ‘fancy’ Hot Cross Buns, Hang on Sloopy and More Cow Bell. Both schools have the year 4, 5, 6 and 7 students involved in their instrumental program where Jo Bosch and Lyn Sheridan visit the schools weekly to teach instrumental music.

Information Technology

The internet at the school has been upgraded to ADSL. This project has taken 5 months and we are very excited about the improvement. The teachers have been limited in the use of the internet with students due to the problems associated with access. Today, a complete IT audit is happening.

Pupil Free Day – Monday August 4th

On Monday of week 3 next term, the staff will be visiting a school that have pushed the boundaries with their integration of Information and Communication Technologies into learning. We will be using this day to see the possibilities for what can be achieved at Laura PS and to develop a plan for the future.

Reports

Mid-Year Reports will be going home next Wednesday and school holidays commence on Friday with early break up at 2.30pm.

School Sores (Impetigo)

There has been a reported case of School Sores (Impetigo) at Laura Primary School this week. Impetigo appears as a flat, yellow, crusty or moist patch on the skin, usually on exposed parts of the body such as the face and legs.
- As long as there is discharge from the sores, they are contagious.
- Any sores on exposed surfaces should be covered with a watertight dressing.
- Persons with school sores should be excluded from school until appropriate treatment has commenced.
- The Doctor may recommend the use of antibiotics.
- Good hand washing procedures should be encouraged.

Laura Kindy Upgrade

Kindy is having work done in the outdoor area in Week 10. There will be no Kindy at Laura for that week, however there will be work vehicles accessing this site.

Mark Shadiac
Principal
Recognition Awards

Week 7
Max Smith – for a positive attitude towards Design & Technology.
Lara Zanker – for exceptional work in spelling.
George Klemm – for applying a positive attitude to all areas of learning.
Georgia Wegner – for an outstanding level of pride in her spelling.
Nicki Zanker – for an excellent job with her tally table in maths.
Will Griffin – for working hard on his water sport design and model.
Jeremiah Byron – for great writing.
Jed Griffin – for great working out in Maths.

Week 8
Samuel Byron – for an improvement with his organisation.
Shavana Gronemyer – for an improvement in her reading.
Casey Cleggett – an excellent attitude towards spelling.
Hannah Watson – for trying hard to learn link script.
Miriam Byron – for a great job writing ‘How to brush your teeth”
Jake Schultz – for doing lots of maths practise on IXL.
Talia Ziepes – for a great Italian map.
Koby Staker – for a great “Bunny Foo Foo” wanted poster.
Makayla Fennell – for better writing
Rhys Schultz – for learning lots of tricky words.

The Day the Museum came to town!

A journey through time at Laura Primary School
Children With Type 1 Diabetes - Are You Challenged by Your Child’s Diabetes?

Research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes.

The University of Queensland is conducting research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes. Parenting a child with diabetes presents many challenges (everything from the regular blood glucose monitoring and insulin intake, to more general parenting tasks). The aim of this study is to understand the factors that make the management of childhood diabetes particularly difficult, and to use this information to develop strategies that might assist parents in managing their child’s diabetes.

If you are a parent of a 2 to 10-year-old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you!

By sharing your experiences (confidentially), you will be making a valuable contribution to the development of much-needed childhood diabetes management strategies for parents.

To complete the online survey, please log on to: https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1diabetes

For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Aditi Lohan (aditi.lohan@uqconnect.edu.au) or call (07 3365 7689) at the Parenting and Family Support Centre in the School of Psychology at the University of Queensland, St Lucia QLD 4072 (Fax: 07 3365 6724).

Thank you for your time and participation.

Aditi Lohan, Alina Morawska, and Amy Mitchell
UQ Parenting and Family Support Centre

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Circus Train comes to the Port

Sat 12th to Sun 20th July 2014

9.30am to 4.30pm

Once again the National Railway Museum (NRM) will be the place for a great School Holiday event – the Circus Train comes to the Port, held over nine days during the July school holiday period; Saturday 12th July to Sunday 20th July inclusive.

Key free attractions will include; Circus Troop street theatre, jugglers, clowns, Dan Burt One Man Band, Daddy Long Legs, Presto the Magician, a carnival barrel organ, and the very popular OZ Wildlife tent.

There are three separate trains running each day – the big black steam train Peronne, the Redhen railcar rattlers, and the favourite train ride - the Circus Train with Bub the blue steam engine in front.

Every visitor will each be provided with three free train ride tickets, to be enjoyed during their stay at the Circus Train event.

Plenty of food and drink will be available, with Rotary running a cafeteria and a big BBQ. There will also be a fairly floss and popcorn stall.

Great school holiday value for families to come along: Family: two adults and up to three children is only $39 and this includes admission to the railway museum and three train ride tickets for every person. Adults $19; Concession $12; Child (3-15 years) $6, with all admissions including three train ride tickets per person.

All children under three years have free admission and free train rides.

A non-government funded, volunteer, not for profit community museum.

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**AUS CONDON MEMORIAL GOLF DAY**

**TUESDAY 15TH JULY**

**LAURA GOLF COURSE**

**10.00AM START**

**AMBROSE COMPETITION $80/TEAM**

INCLUDES MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEA & LUNCH

**ALL PROCEEDS TO**

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**Laura Folk Fair Inc.**

**QUIZ NIGHT**

Entertainment Funding Fund-Raiser

Saturday 28th June 2014 at 7.30pm

Laura Memorial Civic Centre

Table of 6 Brains $10 per Brain (per head)

Children Welcome No Charge

Great Prizes Great Games Great Fun

BYO Drinks & Food Platter, Tea & Coffee facilities available

BOOK YOUR TABLE

Singles & Couples come along & join a table

Bookings: Barry 86632187 Julie 86632387 Sue 0418844935

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**Laura Folk Fair Inc.**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

8.00pm Monday 7th July 2014

Laura Memorial Civic Centre Supper Room

Positions Vacant – Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Committee Members

Expressions of Interest to Chairman Barry Harvie

An honorarium is to be paid for the position of Secretary

Volunteer Pool

As there are so many small projects leading up to the Folk Fair event perhaps you are able to assist for short periods during the 12 months lead-up

(Laura Folk Fair Inc. holds a Centrelink Volunteer Workers’s Permit)