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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

TEACHER AIDE DAY 6 SEPTEMBER

We celebrate Teacher Aide Day on the first Friday of September to recognise the great work our teacher aides do to support our students and teachers.

The help they offer goes a long way in our classrooms, providing the extra attention some students need to get the most out of a lesson and supporting our teachers to organise engaging and educational activities each day.

This Friday we say thank you to our wonderful teacher aides on behalf of our whole school community.

PREP 2014

We are currently planning for Prep in 2014. I ask all current parents who plan to enrol their child at our school for Prep in 2014, to return enrolment forms as soon as possible. I encourage parents of students who live out of our catchment to submit their Application for Enrolment as a matter of urgency for placement on our waiting list.

It is anticipated that we will be able to make decisions regarding waiting list applications in November.

YEAR 8 2014 HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Harristown State High School in South St Harristown; breeding ground for sporting stars, rock eisteddfod legends, university achievers and trusty tradies – you’ll find your passion here! Get your enrolments for 2014 in by 6 September.

Also accepting enrolments for 2015 Year 7 and Year 8. Phone 46368700 for more information.

Prep – Year 2 Swimming

Permission notes for our Prep – Year 2 Swimming Program will be sent home this week. I ask parents to return payment and permission notes before Spring break to assist us in planning for this program.

Parents wishing to go to the pool to assist their child with changing for lessons are welcome to do so. Please discuss this with your child’s teacher.

Jouwana Habash
Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Lila (PW), Johann (PS), Connor McCurley (PG), Mia (1E), Declan (1R), Lilly (2G), Grace (2P), Bailee (3M), Belita (3P), Jayden (3/4R), Cooper (4E), Ethan (5C), Jessika (5L), Brayden (6M), Zanthia (6/7W), Lachlan (7B)

Chess News

400 students from twenty-one schools played in 98 teams in the Toowoomba Primary Teams Chess Championships on Tuesday 3 September at Rangeville State School. Twenty-four Gabbinbar students from year 1 to year 7 played in six teams. Gabbinbar 1 team placed ninth out of 98 teams. Thank you to parents who support their children’s chess efforts – from playing a game at home to supporting the chess tutoring at school and to the parents who helped transport the children to the event.

Kya, Charlize, Anelma and Xavier.

Mitchell, Max and Jed.

More photos on our website.

The Toowoomba Junior Chess Club’s Chess Tournament

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Saturday 7 September 2013

Entry fee $5

Limited to 20 places

Contact Andrew Mills 4634 2548 or Mob 0419 753 626.

Please leave a message for call back. Must call to avoid disappointment.

The Toowoomba Junior Chess Club meets on Saturday afternoons from 4-6 pm in old library at Rangeville State School.

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**CHAPPY CHATTER**

Teaching kids to care:
We want our kids to place a high value on helping other people, which is what caring is all about. When we teach kids to care, not only do they learn how to care about themselves, but they also learn how to care for others and make the world a better place.

One way to teach children how to care, is by having a pet or interacting with a friend’s pet. For young children, learning to be gentle and caring are important values. Older kids can learn how to play with a pet and recognize the cues of “come closer” or “give me some space.”

Whenever your child notices that someone is upset and wants to help, encourage them to act on that impulse. Afterward, talk about how proud you are of your child for caring.

When you see news stories about natural disasters or tragedies, get your family together and ask what you can do to help. Maybe you can purchase water and deliver it to a drop-off collection center. Or you could assist a local organization in a relief effort.

By expressing concern for others in various ways, we can set a positive example for children and let them know that caring for others is important. Raising caring kids is something that requires a caring lifestyle.

**More information from [www.kidsspot.com](http://www.kidsspot.com)**

Take care

Chappy Carmen

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**SERIOUS FUN**

**MORNING TEA FOR MUMS**

Thursday 19 September 9.00am – 10.30am

Gabbinbar State School Hall

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**TUCKSHOP TALES**

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As you can see we are in need of some helpers and bakers so if you can spare an hour or two please let me know, it’s a fun morning and morning tea or lunch is provided.

Don’t forget Friday treats this Friday from 3pm. Larry Heuston 0417731126 or leanne.heuston@bigpond.com

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**P&C NEWS**

**Father’s Day Raffle**

Congratulations to Vicki Wilson and Jouwana Habash, our 2 lucky winners of the Father’s Day Raffle.

**Election Day Sausage Sizzle**

The P&C are looking for volunteers to help with a sausage sizzle at the Federal Election (Sept 7). If you are able to help out (even if it’s just for an hour while you’re placing your vote) please contact Vicki Wilson 0407 038 087.

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**GABBINBAR FETE**

Only 7 weeks to go – isn’t it exciting!!!! So it’s time to start getting those armbands to join in all the fun at the school. Armbands are now on sale with Mrs Mac in the library before and after school. Purchase an armband for $25 (cash or cheque only – no EFTPOS) and have unlimited rides all day otherwise it is $5 per ride on the day. Layby is also available.

We are gradually receiving donations for some of the stalls, but we still need loads more. If you can either donate goods to any of the stalls or make a monetary contribution so that stock can be purchased, it would be greatly appreciated.

Any unwanted Plant Vouchers from Toowoomba City Council rates notices can be put in an envelope marked Plant Stall and sent into school (P&C slot in office). Also, if you enjoy gardening, start potting those cuttings so they are in bloom by the time the fete gets here.

We are seeking the loan of trestles for a couple of the stalls so if you can help out, please let us know.

REMEMBER check with your child’s teacher or contact us to see how you can contribute towards the success of the Fete.

Shauna:- 0401 405 016
Amy:- 0434 566 746

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**Fete Book Stall**

Second hand books are starting to come to the library for the book stall at our upcoming fete. We welcome the following in good, clean condition that are up to 10 years old and are suitable for sale at a school fete:

- Books
- Craft/hobby magazines
- DVDs.

Unfortunately we cannot accept books culled from libraries, books older than 10 years or VHS movies.

If you are interested in helping the library staff with the stall, please contact Mrs Mac (Jo McMillan) in the library.

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Thank you

Davina Quinn and OSHC team

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