



Issue 8 – The Hall Happenings 30 May 2019

School Calendar

31 May	Friday Sport Round 2 All day Recurring event
	Reconciliation Week Parade 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM
3 Jun	Year 6 Camp 03 Jun 2019 - 07 Jun 2019
4 Jun	Choral Fanfare All day
7 Jun	No Friday Sport All day
13 Jun	Rockhampton Show Holiday All day
19 Jun	Junior Sports Day All day
28 Jun	Last Day of Term 2 All day
15 Jul	Term 3 commences

All day

Principal's Messages

Eisteddfod Success

Congratulations to all of our students who participated at the Rockhampton Eisteddfod over the past few weeks. The Hall State School won many prizes over a number of different categories and the students' represented themselves and the school wonderfully. A very special acknowledgement must go to **Mrs Jodie Hiron**, for her commitment and dedication to our students. The effort she has displayed is commendable. As a result, Jodie was awarded the prestigious 'Most Outstanding Conductor' award for 2019. Well done to everyone involved!

National Reconciliation Week

This week is National Reconciliation Week, which marks an important opportunity for all Australians to come together to commemorate and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and heritage. National Reconciliation Week is also a great opportunity to reflect upon the significant changes in our history for the betterment of Australia's First Nations' peoples. This Friday at 10.30am there will be a special Reconciliation Week parade to acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

National Simultaneous Storytime

Reading is 'big' at The Hall State School, so last week it was wonderful to get behind National Simultaneous Storytime. On Wednesday 22nd May over one million students from Australia and New Zealand participated in this annual event, with 'Alpacas with Maracas' as the chosen book that was read. A special thanks to **Ms Tracey Vine** and **Mrs Katie Bull** for organising the morning.

Responsible Behaviour Talks

Standards for behaviour are maintained through conversations, modelling and setting high expectations. This week students from Prep to Year Six participated in Responsible Behaviour Talks, which underpin the school's core values of **Safety, Respect, Responsibility** and being a good **learner**. These messages were well received by the students. I encourage all parents to continue discussing responsible behaviour expectations with your child/ren.

Year Six Leadership Camp

Next week our Year Six students will develop their leadership capabilities at Year Six Leadership Camp. The annual excursion to Camp Fairbairn Outdoor Education Centre will focus on communication, resilience, teamwork and problem solving. Thank you to **Mr Steve Palmer, Miss Lauren Giles, Mrs (Chappy) Sam Whittington** and **Mr Dave Jaeger** for accompanying the students. It is sure to be a wonderful week ahead!

Kind regards,
Glenn Olive
Principal

From the Head of Curriculum

National Simultaneous Story Time (NSST)

Well, NSST went off with a bang or should I say a SHAKE!!

Maracas were shaking, people were laughing, teachers and students donned their best alpaca gear for our picnic but at the heart of it was the joy of reading. Our whole school coming together to listen to Mr Olive fluently read 'Alpacas with Maracas' with amazing expression. He and his pals, Macca and Al, definitely had us laughing. We were fortunate enough to have numerous copies of the book so students near and far could see. No one was going to miss out.

Thank you to the parents who came to join in our NSST picnic. A great time was had by all and we are looking forward to coming together as a whole school again.



Rockhampton State High School Reading with 1/2T and 1/2LB

The 1/2T and 1/2LB students were treated to a special half hour of reading on Tuesday. Year 7 – 10 creative writing students from Rockhampton State High School visited our school to read their stories to two of our 1/2 classes. It was a lovely way to spend the morning under the fig tree, sharing stories and interacting with the high school students some of whom were past The Hall State School students.



Reconciliation Week

What is Reconciliation?

At its heart, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians.

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National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

The dates for NRW remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Reconciliation at The Hall State School

The Hall State School is holding a whole school special parade dedicated to Reconciliation Week.

Join us at 10.30am this Friday 31st May at the Grandstands on the oval. All welcome!

Tracey Vine
HOC

Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who have received Student of the Week awards.

Class	Week 4	Week 5
PN	Parent advised	Maryam M
PM	Henry T	Axel S
1/2B	Jesse-James B	Danika L

Class	Week 4	Week 5
1/2C	Chloe S	Alexandra H
1/2LB	Alyssa C	Jaiden T
1/2T	George F	Sadhika I
Class	Week 5	Week 6
3/4H	Jack B	Mitchell R
3/4J	Chelsea H	Ashleigh A
3/4K	Phoenix W	Blake W
4/5G	Cody-Jack A	Carl S
5/6C	Chanelle A	Kiarna S
5/6L	Lachlan W	Alexis A
5/6P	Charlie P	Sam W

Book Review from 3/4J

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Book Report

Title: The title of this book is *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*.

Author: The author is Jeff Kinney.

Genre: The Genre is Fiction.

Main Conflict: Greg and his friend Rowley had a massive fight about ideas for the school comic.

How The Problem was solved: Some teenagers come to their school after the bell rings and make Rowley half eat the ugly, mouldy cheese. Then they come to Greg to make him eat it, but Greg said "I'm allergic to dairy." The next day someone noticed the cheese was gone and wondered what had happened to it. Greg told everyone he got rid of it and it had nothing to do with Rowley. He and Rowley became best friends again.

Main Characters

Greg: Greg is slim, tall, brown hair, small feet.

Rowley: Rowley is, playful, happy, joyful, good friend.

Rating and Recommendation: I would recommend this book to students in year three to five and rate it 6/10 stars.

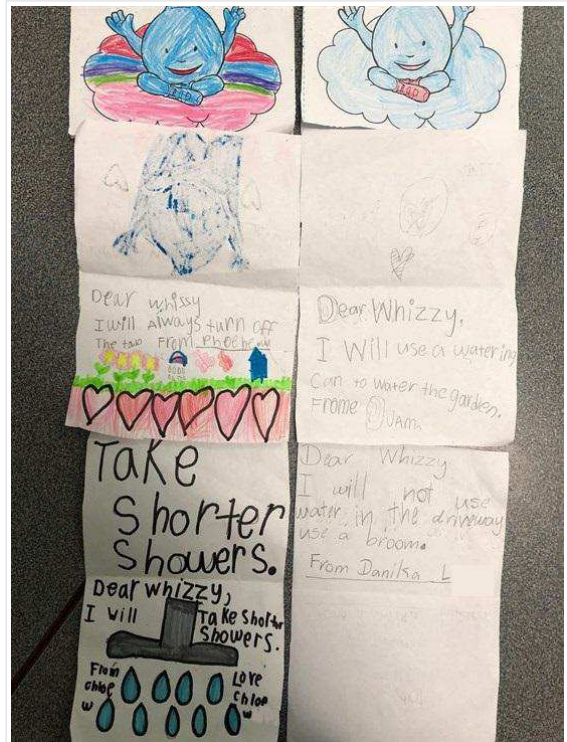
Book Report by: Gus L and Jordan-lee F

News from 3/4H

3/4H has been investigating weathering and erosion. We used a chocolate chip biscuit as our "rock". We then performed a variety of actions, stopping after each to observe what occurred. This was very interesting AND informative. Thanks to our cookie we now understand that weathering (breaking down) can be caused by wind, animals, plants, people and water. Erosion (movement of particles) can happen by wind, water, ice or people.

News from 1/2B

We have been busy learning about the Earth's natural resources for science. We are growing three plants in three different soils. The soils are clay, sand and fertilized soil. This is to investigate the best soil in which to grow plants. We have also spent a lot of time learning about our precious natural resource water. We wrote letters to Whizzy our water drop about how we can save water at home.



In celebration of the national storytime last Wednesday and the story 'Alpacas with Maracas', we completed a guided drawing of an Alpaca. The completed drawings were excellent and reflected the student's abilities to listen and follow instructions carefully. They were very happy with the finished product.



The Rockhampton Eisteddfod

The Hall State School has achieved some "Outstanding" results at the 84th Rockhampton Eisteddfod.

Congratulations to all of our students who competed. The Boys' Choir achieved first place with "Plastic Bag Ball". Our Folk group sang "Over the Sea to Skye" and achieved third place. Our Senior Choir achieved second place. They sang "Every

Voice That Sings" and "The Rhythm of Life". Our Junior Choir sang "There was an Old Woman who lived in a Shoe" and placed third.

Congratulations also to Mrs Hiron. Her hard work and dedication with our choirs has earned the following results. Mrs Hiron was awarded "The Robinson Family Perpetual Trophy - Most Outstanding Vocal Choir Conductor" at the completion of the vocal section of the Eisteddfod. The school also received the 'Agnes and George Keegan Memorial Trophy - Highest Aggregate for Small School Choirs (our third year in a row) and the "Tom Hogan Trophy- School Choir Encouragement Award" was given to the Boys' Choir. Well done, Mrs Hiron!!!

We would like to thank Mrs Mary Steer for accompanying the students in all of the sections they competed in during the Eisteddfod and rehearsals and to parents and staff for supervising and assisting.

Friday Sports Draw - 31 May 2019

Team	Hockey The Hall 1	Hockey The Hall 2	Netball Junior C	Netball Senior D	Rugby League
Opponents	Various	Various	St Joseph's W	Mt Archer	St Joseph's Wandal
Venue	Kalka Shades	Kalka Shades	Jardine Park	Jardine Park	Rugby Park 2
Time	1.00pm 1.40pm	1.20pm 2.00pm	1.50pm Court 11	12.30pm Court 2	1.45pm

There will be no Friday Sport next Friday 7 June due to our Year 6's being away at camp.

Choral Fanfare

Choral Fanfare (previously named Creative Generation (CGEN) Voices) is a biennial statewide program celebrating talented choirs in Queensland state schools. The program showcases the outstanding vocal talents from state school choirs through performance. The emphasis for Choral Fanfare is on improving the quality of choirs, promoting the highest possible standard of performance, striving for excellence and encouraging participation.

On the 4th of June, one of 3 Central Queensland Choral Fanfare Regional heats will be held at The Hall State School. The Hall State School Senior Choir will be competing along with choirs from Waraburra and Wowan State Schools from 12.45pm in the multipurpose area.

Parents and supporters are welcome to attend.

Head lice Information

The presence of head lice is a very common childhood occurrence in the community. The primary responsibility for the management and treatment of head lice in students belongs with parents. As we have had a high level of notifications from parents of instances of head lice recently we have attached a head lice fact sheet. We would also ask parents to be vigilant in checking their child for head lice or lice eggs and to treat all infected household members, and also to notify the school if their child is affected.

Rugby League Gala Day

The Rugby League team competed in the Gala Day at Rugby Park on Friday 17th May. The team played 3 games. They lost to Allenstown SS, defeated St Pauls Gracemere, and lost to Warraburra SS. The team ended up making the Grand Final on a points countback but unfortunately lost in the Grand Final to Allenstown SS.



David Jaeger
PE Specialist

P & C News

P & C Bike Voucher Raffle

The Hall State School P & C have a \$400 Bike Voucher kindly donated by Mr Barry O'Rourke MP to raffle. All proceeds of the raffle will be used to help support school projects. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Each family will receive a book of 5 tickets to sell. Sold tickets and money are to be returned to the school office by Friday 21 June 2019. The raffle will be drawn during parade on Tuesday 25 June 2019.

If you would like more tickets to sell please contact the P & C on pandcexecutive@thehallss.eq.edu.au

If you are unable to sell the tickets please return all unsold tickets to the school office. Thank you for your support.

NDIS Assistance

Does someone in your family have a disability? They might benefit from the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The NDIS makes sure everyone has the support they need and can work towards their goals. That could mean becoming more independent, learning new skills, and being part of the community and the workforce.

Carers Queensland is your NDIS Local Area Coordination Partner in the Community. We're your guide to the NDIS, and

other support available in your area. We can also help you learn new skills and find resources for your family.

To find out more, contact your NDIS LAC Partner in the Community Carers Queensland on (07) 4994 1600 or rockhamptonlac@carersqld.com.au.