WELCOME TO WEEK 3!

ART AWARD
As was mentioned in last week’s newsletter, Liam was awarded a Highly Commended prize in the Gladstone Regional Council’s ‘Celebrate Australia’ art competition. On Friday last week, Liam travelled to Gladstone to receive his prize. Councillor Gail Sellars, Mayor of Gladstone, presented his prize during the official ceremony. Congratulations, Liam! … We are all very proud of your achievement and how well you represented our school.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP
On Monday, our four student leaders travelled to Bundaberg to participate in the annual Grip Student Leadership Conference. During the conference, Wade, Ebony, Skye and Tyler participated in many activities, including team-building exercises, school-based scenarios, leader identification DVDs and inter-school interactions. According to Mrs Pascoe, Principal of Lowmead SS, our students were well-behaved and represented our school responsibly. Well done, Student Leaders!

BOARDIES DAY
This Friday, Wartburg State School will join with the rest of Queensland to celebrate Boardies Day. Children are invited to wear Boardies to school, instead of their usual black shorts/skirts/skorts. If your child does not have a pair of boardies, any brightly coloured sarong or shorts will suffice. Students are asked to bring a gold coin, as a donation to Surf Life Saving Queensland. I believe this is a particularly relevant charity event for our school because, as you may be aware, the surf lifesavers offer their time and energy, free of charge, during our surfing lessons for Year 4-7 students in Term 4. Please remember that students should still wear their Wartburg shirt, as well as joggers and socks, for safety reasons.

‘F’ DAY
During my weekly meeting with the Student Council last week, ideas were suggested for ways to assist families who were affected by the flood. While our school has received many charitable donations over the past fortnight, the Student Council decided to try to raise funds for the School Aid appeal. In this way, our kids can help other kids, across the state, who were also affected by the floods. So, on Wednesday, 27th February, we are going to hold an ‘F’ Day, because:

- Floods affected many kids. On F day, during
- First break, we will eat Fish and Fat French Fries. We will drink Fruit juice. Children are asked to bring $2, to pay for their food.

An order form for next Wednesday’s ‘F’ Day can be found at the back of this newsletter. Please complete the form and return it to school by Friday, so we will be able to prepare and purchase sufficient food. The fish and chips will be supplied for first break only. Children are requested to bring their usual food for second break.

GOALS
Attached to this newsletter, you will find a copy of your child’s goals for Term 1, 2013. These goals have been designed to be realistically achievable but challenging. Because this term is so short, the goals will extend until the Easter holidays. For future terms, we aim to work towards two sets of goals per term. Please take the time to discuss your child’s goals with them, then sign and return the goals sheet. At the end of the term, students who have achieved one or more of their goals will have their name listed in the newsletter, celebrating their achievements.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES
Thank you to those parents who have ensured that everything on their child’s booklist has been provided. By implementing the Australian Curriculum in History, English, Maths and Science using Education Queensland’s C2C documents and resources, we use a lot more paper (for photocopying and printing) than in previous years. If you have not yet provided your child’s three reams of photocopy paper, please do so as soon as possible. Similarly, if there are school supplies that you have not yet had a chance to purchase, please assist your child by providing these within the near future.
CAMP MEETING – YEARS 5-7
Parents of students in Years 5-7 are invited to attend a camp meeting on Tuesday afternoon (26th February) at 2.30pm. As this is our Centenary year, I have planned a camp with a difference and would like to chat with everyone about my plans. Please come to the senior classroom at that time, so everyone (students included) can receive information about our special Centenary Camp.

TEXT BOOKS
Within the next week or so, invoices will be issued for student text books. Students in Years Prep-2 are required to purchase only one text book (iMaths), while students in Years 3-7 will need two text books (iMaths and English). Students will receive their textbooks as soon as payments have been received.

Have a great week!

Jeanne Cross
Principal

Last Wednesday, Chloe Elliott’s grandmother travelled from Deception Bay to deliver bags of goodies to our children. The Deception Bay indigenous community collected lots of interesting items for our students, to help them cope with the impacts of the recent floods. THANK YOU!

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**Free Meditation Classes**

held at Wartburg State School

If you think it’s time for more peace and less stress in your life, a regular meditation group will be starting at school this month. Presented by Sunirmalya from Deepwater, the classes will be free and will start Saturday Feb 23 with a 2 hour introductory session 9-11am, followed by the first and third Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm for about 1 hour. For more information about the group meditations, Sunirmalya offers, see meditation.org.au

‘F’ Day order form:

Child’s Name: _____________________________

I would like to order ________ Fish, Fat French Fries and Fruit Juice, at $2 each.

I would also like to donate an extra _________ to the School Aid appeal.

Total enclosed: ________________________