Calendar of Events
APRIL
2 Last day of term Sausage sizzle
20 Term 2 starts
25 Anzac March

Our school newsletter is published every fortnight and also available on our school website.

From the Principal…
I’m sure school wasn’t this much fun when I was a child. Lately, there have been so many events and activities at our school, which have all been designed to enhance student academic learning and their social emotional development.

If you are not sure what I’m talking about, then here’s the latest run down:

Tuesday : Colonial Experience show. Purpose : to teach students about Australian History with the arrival of the First Fleet. This show was 2 hours of pure fun and entertainment with lots of learning and engagement with history. Students met a poor convict trying to make the best of his unfortunate situation and the rather mean Sergeant Kennedy who was commissioned to guard the transported convicts. The show had plenty of audience participation. The ‘guards’ (Joey and Tait) took great delight in arresting Mrs Kowitz! Make sure you view the photos of the show at the back.

Friday : Bullying No Way and Shave for Leukaemia Day. Purpose: To support students’ understanding of what bullying is and how to take a stand against it. All students were given a pocket card with information on bullying and suggestions on how to deal with it if the situation arises. I have also included information for parents as well in this newsletter.

We also got to shave our Groundsman, Bruce Samuelsen, to raise funds for Leukaemia. Students need to learn about helping others and that raising money for charitable causes is an important part of good citizenship.

This is the last newsletter for Term 1. Its hard to believe how quickly a term goes by. Thank you to the parents who took the time to make an interview with teachers to review their child’s progress throughout the term. Thank you to parents who make sure that your child/ren are attending school on every day that they are well. We will be acknowledging this good attendance with awards for those students who have reached our target of 95% or better for this term in the last week of school. Happy Easter to all of our families.
**SCHOOL NEWS…**

**Easter Holidays**
Term 1 will finish on Thursday April 2.
Term 2 will commence on Monday April 20. Please remember to keep a watchful eye over our school during the holidays. SCHOOL WATCH 13 17 88.

**Emu Gully Camp—Yrs 5 & 6**
Parent transport will be required to and from Emu Gully. You are welcome to car pool if needed.
All parents need to meet at the front of the school by 8.30am on Wednesday morning. We will then travel in convoy to Helidon Spa, where we turn off the Warrego Highway, then take a sharp right turn onto the road which leads to Emu Gully Adventure Camp. The trip will only take us about 15 minutes. We need to be at camp by 9.00am and it is best if we all arrive together. On Thursday, parents will need to be back at the camp by 2.15pm to collect the students. They can then go directly home.

Please ensure you pack old clothes as the activities will involve the students getting quite dirty. After we do the Kokoda Track (mud pit) on Thursday, the clothing worn that day is usually ruined.

Students not attending camp will be required to attend school as normal and are expected to complete the work left for them by the teachers.

If you child requires medication, please ensure it is handed directly to a teacher on Wednesday morning.
Mrs Kowitz and Miss Daw will be going to camp on Day 1. Mrs Martin, Mrs Peach and Mrs Kowitz will all be staying overnight. Mrs Martin and Mrs Thorpe will be at camp on Thursday.

You can view the website at [www.emugully.com.au](http://www.emugully.com.au) and click on Helidon Campus for more details about the camp.

**Last day of Term 1**
Our last day of term is Thursday 2nd April. The P&C will run a lunchtime Sausage Sizzle which is free to all students. However, students will still be required to bring their own morning tea. It is also a Rewards afternoon of a movie, for students who have demonstrated appropriate behaviours throughout the term and have received at least one behaviour award.

Thursday 2nd April is also ‘Wear Blue’ day so students can show their understanding for Autism awareness day. Students are asked to bring in a gold coin to donate to the Autism Awareness Foundation.

**Maintenance to Front Entrance**
Over the Easter break, work will commence on removing the Jacaranda tree at the front gate and replacing the concrete path so it is level. It is hoped that the work will be completed before Term 2 commences. However, if the work requires more time, then a temporary entrance will be created. Please take care if this is the case.

**Leukaemia Foundation—Shave for a Cure**
It's not too late to donate towards this cause. Help us to raise money on behalf of the students of Tent Hill Lower and also thanks to Bruce Samuelson for volunteering for this worthy cause.

**German News:**
Hi Everyone, just a short note to let you know about an activity that has started in German lessons. Students will have a small amount of homework set every week in an online activity called Language Perfect. If they are allowed to access the internet at home, it would be appreciated if they could spend a short amount of time each week practising skills learnt in class. I have given students a small blue card that has the website address, as well as their username and password details to take home. Students have been asked to not change their password and if the website asks for an email address to not give these details. Thank you for your anticipated support in your child's learning in German.

**Alles beste, Frau Chapman**
What is bullying?

What is bullying (including online bullying)?

♦ Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons.

♦ Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious or hidden.

♦ Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

♦ Some conflicts between children are a normal part of growing up and are to be expected. Single incidents and conflicts or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not considered bullying, even though they may be upsetting and need to be resolved.

Bullying can happen:

♦ face-to-face (e.g. pushing, tripping, name-calling)
♦ at a distance (e.g. spreading rumours, excluding someone)
♦ through information and communications technologies (e.g. use of SMS, email, chat rooms).

Identifying bullying can sometimes be difficult. Bullying is often conducted out of sight of teachers and children may be reluctant to report bullying.

Online bullying (sometimes called cyberbullying) is bullying carried out through the internet or mobile devices. Children who are bullied online are also often bullied face-to-face. Examples of online bullying include:

• repeated hang up calls
• sending insulting or threatening text messages
• publishing someone's personal or embarrassing information online
• creating hate sites or starting social exclusion campaigns on social networking sites.