Dear Parents and Caregivers

This week we had our school cross country. With lots of supporters to cheer the students on. Whilst it was a very warm day the students did really well. Everyone competed and the thing that impressed me the most was the encouragement the students gave to each other as they passed their peers. They would either give a “high-five” or a “keep going, you are doing well!” Which I thought was lovely, as not everyone has the build or the desire to run long distances.

Those whom have been selected to compete in the Zone trials have been given the information and will go to Allora on Wednesday 7th May.

Parents need to make their own transport arrangements. Mrs Cremasco will be time keeping on the day.

We would like students to return to school after if possible, as from 1pm students have a Japanese class. We are also finalising our preparations for the Mother’s Day Morning Tea next Thursday.

Please remember to bring in a plate of goodies to share and encourage any ladies you know to come along and join in the fun. If you are able to help transfer chairs from the hall please let me know.

Have a good week

Kind Regards

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Administration & Finance Officer: Mrs Judith O'Shea  Grounds care: Mr John Watson
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**HELP AND VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED.**

If you find yourself with a little spare time and want to help out, give us a call.

Our staff attended a Professional Development evening on Tuesday, it involved ways to make attending school fun, caring and educational.

Together we can make it great! So let’s **BE THERE** for each other by staying focused on what we’re doing and how we’re doing it.

A kind gesture can **MAKE THEIR DAY** when we do things, big or small, to make others feel good.

Good and bad things happen every day, but you can always **CHOOSE YOUR ATTITUDE**.

We know learning is more fun when we throw ourselves into it, so let’s **PLAY**!

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**Reminder**

Book Club due back at school by Tuesday
06th May

**Southern Downs Cross Country Trials**

Will be held at the Allora—Stuart Henry Park on Wednesday 7th May
Students should be at the park by 8:45 to walk the course at 9am. A letter is attached to this newsletter for those who have nominated.

**Fast Facts**

In March 2014, Students & Staff alike downloaded the equivalent of 98TB of information from the internet.

This is equivalent to:
- 120 million word documents
- 71 million photos
- 30 million MP3 (music) files
- 23089 DVD’s

It seems we are all very dependent on the internet these days.

**~ Community News ~**

Freestone Playgroup—Freestone State School

Freestone Playgroup meets from 9 to 11 am with the session involving free play, an organized craft activity and a music session. Please bring a healthy morning tea to share with others. We welcome all our new school families with little ones to come and meet some local mums.

Cost is only $2 per week plus
Insurance $35 family for the full year.
If you need more information contact Leesa on
46612739 or 0419741264
Year 7/8 – 2015 Transition Morning at WHS

Year 6 and 7 students are invited to attend the Warwick State High School Transition Morning

WHEN: Tuesday 20 May 2014
WHERE: Warwick State High School (Please meet at the Hall)
TIME: 9.30am – 11.30am

Schedule for the Morning:

9.30 Meet and greet in the hall
9.45 Year 6 student information power point session presented by a group of year 8 students.
   Year 7 student orientation activity session – exploring the school facilities; meeting some of the WSHS staff and getting to know other year 7 students.
10.25 Morning Tea under the Dome – provided by Warwick State High School
10.40 Year 7 student information power point session presented by a group of year 8 students.
   Year 6 student orientation activity session – exploring the school facilities; meeting some of the WSHS staff and getting to know other year 6 students.
11.30 Departure

Year 7/8 – 2015 Information Evening

Parents of students intending to enrol in Year 7 or Year 8 in 2015 are cordially invited to an information evening at Warwick State High School. Parents, friends and students are all welcomed.

WHEN: Tuesday 20 May 2014
WHERE: Warwick State High School Hall
TIME: 5:30pm – 7:00pm

Schedule for the evening:

Everyone will meet in the hall for initial greeting and introductions

5.45 Year 6 parent and student small group school tours
   Year 7 parent and student information session (Hall)

6.25 Year 7 parent and student small group school tours
   Year 6 parent and student information session (Hall)

This session will cover many topics including:

   Transition morning highlights
   Enrolment procedures
   Personnel at the school
   Subjects offered
   What life is like at high school
   Uniforms
   Text books
   Behaviour management
   Parents and Citizens Association

We look forward to meeting you on this evening
The Freestone State School

Student Council would like to invite you to our very special celebration for all mothers.

Everyone welcome!

The Freestone State School

Mother’s Day Morning Tea

You will be helping to support the Cancer Councils Biggest Morning Tea

Please come along to share a delicious morning tea with Lucky Door Prize. Also our monster Multi-Draw Raffle.

at the Freestone State School on Thursday 8th May 2014, commencing at 10am.

Every Parent attending will receive a small gift.

Entry Fee: $5.00

Please RSVP to the Freestone State School on 4666 1569 by Friday 2nd May for catering purposes.