Dear Parents and Caregivers

Wow, we are over half way through the term already. Holidays will be here before we know it and there is still so much to do (as always!)

The last week has seen the students busily construction bugs for the Hermitage competition. Celebrating Lincoln’s and Jesse’s birthdays and getting in the mood for State of Origin (Maddie and Mrs Cremasco are the only ones still smiling!)

Our drinking water tanks are very low at the moment. Until we get the tanks filled it would be great if the kids could bring a water bottle each day.

Our new Stamp Books have been in use for over a week now and together with our playground duty book allows us to track the children’s behaviour across the whole school day—good behaviour and otherwise. We are also keeping an eye out for “Random Acts of Kindness”, it has been lovely to note the kindness shown by our students to each other.

The school is collecting gum boots to decorate and display as part of ‘Jumpers & Jazz in July’, so if you have any to spare, please send them along. New or used, big or small, they don’t need to be a pair, one boot will do.

Our staff have been furthering their skills recently. Mrs Baldwin and Mrs Walsh travelled to Brisbane to learn all about LETTERLAND—the phonics programme used in our lower school.

Mrs Sinden and Mrs Cremasco have spent two afternoons in Stanthorpe attending a “Digital Practice” workshop, finding out all the wonderful things we can do with computers and I-Pads. Both these Professional Development activities will, of course, benefit our students.

Enjoy the rest of your week and this glorious weather.

Laura Watson & Janine Baldwin
Principal    P-3 Teacher
**Tuckshop**

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**Community News**

**Warwick Gymnastic Club**
Are holding a **Movie Night** on Thursday 12th June at the Warwick Twin Cinema.
Tickets are $17 per person and are available from the Cinema, Rollys Lolly Shop and the Westside Snack Bar.

The movie being shown is **BLENDED** starring Adam Sandler & Drew Barrymore and is rated PG13+

**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

**Help and Volunteers are Always Needed.**
If you find yourself with a little spare time and want to help out, give us a call.

**Scholastic Book Club**
Is due back at the school On Friday 06th June

The Freestone State School P&C Assoc. are holding a ‘Homestyle Bake’ Pie Drive

Orders should be returned to Alica Mauch or the school, with payment enclosed on or before Monday 02nd June.
Delivery of the pies to the school will be on Thursday 12th June (time to be announced)

Please ensure all cheques are made out to the Freestone State School P&C Association.

**Wellies & Beanies Boot Sale & Boot Art Auction**
Will be held on the 20th July as part of the Jumpers & Jazz event
Call John for more info on 0408660654

**Warwick & District Archers Association**
**Free Archery, Come and Try Day**
on **Sunday 01st June 2014**
where **212 Ford Rd, Warwick**
Ages 5-12, 9am-11am
Ages 13+ 11.30am –2.00pm
Closed in shoes & sun protection is a must!

For more info contact 46618706 or 46611956 A/H

**Freestone Hall Announcement**

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**Congratulations to Dean and Abbi for their great effort in the Darling Downs Cross Country in Toowoomba last week.**

Dean ran 3,000m in 14min14.65sec
Abbi did her 2,000m in 9min 04.06sec (8th)
10 Internet Safety Tips

If parents, teachers and children can all work together to build a culture of safe and positive internet use, problems can be minimised. Internet safety is a topic that should be regularly and authentically discussed in classrooms, staffrooms and homes. Here are some key messages around internet safety that could help parents help their children.

In addition to following these tips, parents might want to install filters on their home computers.

1. Don’t let potential problems stop you from letting your child use technology for their education and personal interests.
2. Put computers in a communal area of the house and don’t allow portable internet devices in the bedroom.
3. Find out what your child is doing online. Talk to them regularly about what websites they visit and take the time sit with them as they use the internet. Make sure you’re familiar with how the sites that they visit work.
4. Encourage your child to tell you if they ever have a problem on the internet or if they’re ever unsure about anything. Reassure them that you won’t take away their connection to the internet if issues occur.
5. Remind your child to keep personal information private. YAPPY is a useful acronym to remind children of the personal information they should not share on public online spaces (blogs, forums etc.) – Your full name, address, phone number, passwords, your plans.
6. Remind your child that not everything on the internet is true and not all internet users tell the truth.
7. Don’t support your child to sign up for sites that are 13+ if they are under age (Facebook, YouTube, Instagram etc). Make sure your child sets their online accounts to private to limit access to people they know well (when they are old enough to sign up).
8. Encourage your child to balance their leisure time so they’re not spending all of their time online.
9. Create your own internet rules for your household and have your child agree to adhere to them.
10. Explore government resources for parents so you can educate yourself and protect your children on the Cybersmart Bug bits.