Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome to Week 6 of Term 4. The countdown is on – we are now counting down the sleeps until camp as well as the school days – where has the time gone?!

Before we know it we will be putting up a Christmas tree and singing “Jingle Bells”.

Last Thursday the Behaviour Auditor spent the day at Freestone. He examined our policies, wandered around both classrooms and spoke to staff, parents and students. Thank you to the parents who came in to school especially to speak to him.

Have a great week.

Laura Watson & Janine Baldwin

Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day was discussed in our History lesson this week, tying in nicely with our unit on Celebrations and Commemorations. We held a small ceremony just before observing a minute’s silence at 11 a.m. The children sang the National Anthem and “In Flanders Fields”. Our students really do a great job of singing beautifully on these special occasions.

Behaviour Audit

Due to the internet being out Wednesday & Thursday the piece on our recent behaviour audit is un-obtainable. We did however get High and Outstanding in some areas. The auditor did commend us on our excellent communication with our parents.
~Tuckshop~

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**Term 4 Week 5**

**Random Acts of Kindness**

Thank you to **James** for offering to clean up the mess made by the little ones at tuckshop.

Also to **Daniel** for his offer to vacuum.

**Technology Parade!**

Last Friday the P-3s were able to compete in their relays while wearing their cars, horses and bulls. We only had a couple of limbs fall off during the wild races and repairs were made soon after.

The “beasts” were then ridden/driven around on parade, much to the amusement of the older students.

**End of Year Play (a few words from Mrs Baldwin)**

Rehearsals are coming along – we have finally made it to the end of the play! Thanks again to the children who have been learning their lines – hopefully, by the time we return from camp, rehearsals can get into full swing.

Please let me know if you are keen to help in some way with the play – painting backgrounds, organizing props, putting costumes together, helping children learn their lines.

If you are unsure of how to create a simple shepherd / wiseman / angel costume, may I suggest you Google “Simple Nativity Costumes” for some great ideas. The new cheapie shop, “Choice”, has quite a lot of costume gear at the moment, including angel wings!

If you could keep an eye out for a pair of dark glasses for your child/children – they need a pair of dark glasses/sunglasses for one of their songs. Each child also needs a sparkly top hat or bowler hat—also available at Choice. (any colour) Please don’t go to any great expense – cheap plastic ones will do.

**Happy Birthday**

Lachlan who turned 11 today

Bianca who is a big 9 years old today.

**P&C End of Year Dinner**

The annual P&C dinner will take place at the Warwick Hotel on the 28th November. Be there between 7pm and 7:30 and be ready for a lovely night.

Please RSVP numbers before Friday 21st November.
**What's the best way to avoid or deal with "cyber-bullies"?**

There are things you can do to reduce the chances you'll receive abusive or other bullying messages, and to handle them if you are subjected to them:

- Only give your number to friends, and make it clear they're not to give your number to others without your permission.
- Use caller ID blocking to hide your phone number if you call someone other than a friend or family member.
- Only use your phone when necessary.
- Don't respond to nasty or inappropriate messages.
- If you do want to respond, wait until you've had time to calm down, so you are careful about what you say.
- Keep the message as evidence.
- Tell your parents, teacher or another trusted person that you're being bullied.
- Don't give out personal information about yourself to people you don't know.
- Don't leave your name on your voicemail - leave a message like "thanks for calling - leave a message and I'll call you back."
- If you are being bullied, get your parents to talk to your phone company - they may be able to block calls from certain numbers, or give you a new number.
- Turn your phone off, and when you turn it on, only access messages from the numbers you know belong to friends.

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**Freestone State School Students Remembrance Day 2014**

Presentation Night and Community Christmas Tree.

At this week’s P&C Meeting it was decided to combine these two events. The Presentation Night will be held on **Thursday the 11th of December** commencing at 7 p.m.

The night will combine end of year Awards and speeches, our play "Goodbye My Friend" and a visit from the jolly fat gentleman.

**When:** Thursday 11th December, 7 p.m. start

**Where:** Freestone Community Hall

**What:** Speeches, Presentations, Play, supper and a cuppa, Santa

**Bring:** two plates to share – one sweet and one savoury

**Please note:** The children will need to eat before arriving. We will not be serving hot food for the children beforehand.

Community members are welcome.

For more details please contact Bill McVeigh on 46661559 or 0412680516

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**Bribie Island Camp**

Almost time for us to drive off into the distance Mum and Dad - (boo hoo)

Just a couple of reminders:

- **Scooters and helmets to be brought along to school on Monday so we can get them loaded securely on the trailer that afternoon.**
- **Home Bake or $10 to be brought to school on Monday for packing.**
- **Spending money in a named envelope or wallet to be brought to school by Monday.**

On Tuesday (departure day) – the children will need to bring their morning tea with them in their backpack – eg: a piece of fruit and a sandwich – packed in a small lunchbox or a zip lock bag – as well as their drink bottle and hat.

The children will need to wear school uniform on the first day of camp.

Please be at school at 7:45am

The bus will leave at 8:00am

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Mrs Thompson, Mr Shelley and Mrs Lane at the Year 6/7 Presentation Night and Community Christmas Tree.

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Year 6/7 Dinner
A lovely time was had by all last Friday night at the Warwick Golf Club. The children looked very smart and it was a very pleasant family night. Thank you to Majella for organizing the night. The children had prepared a special gift for their parents — a scroll outlining the highlights of their time at Freestone School — and judging by the looks on the faces of all the parents (and a couple of tears) the messages were well received. The children cut the Graduation Cake together and each received a Signature Bear signed by all the staff and students of Freestone.

Prep Open Morning
Our 2015 prep students visited today. They joined their big sisters and brothers in the P-3 classroom for a story and some singing before rotating through a few activities with their new classmates.