



February 8th  
2018

*From the Principal's Desk.....*

What a great start to the new school year....increased enrolments and Swim Camp almost done and dusted! Thanks to families for having your children so well prepared for school, with uniforms looking smart and school materials organised. Thanks to the families who have already contributed reams of paper, tissues and to the General Purpose Fee (\$35 per student).

Haden is looking so much fresher after the recent welcome rains. Unfortunately, that meant the postponement of the planned Information Session/Sausage Sizzle last Friday evening. We are hoping to be able to cook up the sausages on Friday at the Swimming Carnival at Crows Nest Pool. Families are invited to join us to encourage the battle between our sporting teams, Wagoon and Bauer. Today we have voted at school to elect our House Leaders and I am pleased to announce Bianca and Braydan as House Leaders of Wagoon; Nevaeh and Gabi as House Leaders of Bauer and Daniel will be the Sports Shed Monitor. This is an opportunity for these students to further develop their budding leadership skills, with their first task at hand on Friday!

The Swimming Carnival will be a fun, participation-focussed event for our students and a great way to start the year. The Carnival will commence shortly after 12pm. When not participating, students will be sitting under the covered area with their team, or perhaps behind the fence cheering for their peers.

With the increase in enrolments comes increased teacher time for Haden SS. Mrs Pukallus is now teaching Monday to Thursday. She is working with the P-2 class until 9:30 am when she takes her Year 5/6 Class to the Library for Maths in first session and English in the second session. Mrs Pukallus then returns to the P-2 class for the afternoon session. Ms Brennan starts the day with the 3-6 class until 9:30am, and then teaches the 3/4 class for first and second session, finishing the day with the 3-6 class for the afternoon session. Mrs Philp is working from 9:30-1:30 with her P-2 Class. Mrs Simpson and Miss Margaret both work in the Valley Room, as there are 14 students in the P-2 Class. There are eight students in the 3/4 Class and eight students is the 5/6 Class. This year we have been able to provide Haden State School students with a great teacher/student ratio to accommodate more personalised learning experiences.

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School  
Expectations

**Be Safe**  
**Be Respectful**  
**Be a Learner**

DATES TO  
REMEMBER:

February

5th-9th-Swim Camp

9th-Swimming  
Carnival

March

21st- School Photos

24th- Colour Run

Expectation Focus

**Be Safe-**  
**I keep to the**  
**path.**



*Our Goals*

*Writing, Reading, Attendance-Every child attending everyday*

*From the Principal's Desk continued .....*

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the music teacher who was starting at Haden SS this week will not be teaching at Haden SS. Instead, we have organised a return of our Resident Artist, Mrs Wheeler, to continue Art Lessons on a weekly basis on Wednesday afternoons until the end of the term. Thank you Sue for being able to accommodate us on such short notice. We are planning weekly Dance Lessons for Term 2 and hope to be able to organise a Music Teacher in either Term 3 or Term 4.

The Woollies Earn and Learn Prizes from 2017 have arrived at Haden State School. We now have two microscopes to connect to computers and have a set of six small robots for students to work on their coding skills. Science is sure to be a favourite subject again this year!

The Parent Information session has been rescheduled to **Friday 16th February** (Week 4 ) commencing at **5pm**. Please come along and hear first-hand topics including Reading Groups, Words Their Way Groups (and how to do the sorts), homework and homework club...

Thank you for choosing Haden State School. Our staff is very excited to be working with your children. The DDSW focus for 2018 continues to be the teaching of **READING** and this combines well with our continued focus on the teaching of **WRITING**. There is lots you can do at home to support and supplement the learning at school. **ORAL LANGUAGE** is a pre-requisite to **READING** and **WRITING**. Students need to be speaking Standard Australian English to make sense of letter sound associations, sentence structures (both conversational and book language). So what does this mean for you? **SPEAK** to your children, correct their **GRAMMAR** and **PRONUNCIATIONS**, teach them **NURSERY RHYMES** as hearing and predicting rhyme is the first step in learning to read! Lastly, **READ** to and with your children every day! This will be your greatest **INVESTMENT** in your child's journey of becoming a **CONFIDENT READER** who understands the written word and the images in texts.

Elaine Brennan  
Principal

| Expectation          | Award Recipients             |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Be Safe</b>       | Alistair<br>Arthur           |
| <b>Be Respectful</b> | Savannah<br>Rachael<br>Nolie |
| <b>Be a Learner</b>  | Kian<br>Nicole<br>Kodey      |
| Special Awards       | Seth<br>Kyran                |

**Uniforms**

*Polo Shirts \$22,  
Shorts \$11,  
Baseball Jackets \$27,  
Tracksuit Pants \$16,  
Bucket Hats \$5  
Surf Hats \$7*



**Birthdays**

**Kyran**



Haden State School P and C invites you to put  
your white shirt on and join our

# COLOUR FUN RUN

3km ,1km and 500m

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> of March at the  
Haden Town Oval

Racing starts at 8am

Non Haden State School participants entry \$5.

Breakfast available

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# Playgroup at Haden

**Where- Haden State School**

**When- Thursday mornings 9am-10am**

Children and their parents come together to enjoy some play, conversation, activities and fun!

What to Bring - Mat, water bottle, sunscreen and morning tea.

No child is too young for playgroup



**Cost-FREE!**



**School Photos  
March 21st**

## Homework Club

Your welcome at Homework Club!

Running Monday and Wednesday afternoons  
3.00—3.30pm.

Students are offered supervised time to complete their homework on these afternoons.

\*\*Please note—parents **must advise** the classroom teacher in the morning prior to their students attending the afternoon session.





# 2018 school calendar

## Queensland state schools

| DECEMBER 2017  | JANUARY  | FEBRUARY   | MARCH  | APRIL   |
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School term
State School holidays
Public holidays
Staff professional development/Student free day

There are 197 school days in 2018.

Semester 1 2019 commences for teachers on January 24 and for students on January 29.

#### STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Staff professional development days for teachers are January 18, 19, April 11, 12, 13, 16 and October 22. Schools are able to decide when they undertake the required hours for professional development for the flexible days, as long as they are on the flexible days, in the school holidays or out of school hours.

#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Queensland public holidays are set by the Industrial Relations Minister.

Public holidays for a local show are not shown due to diversity of dates across the state.

#### FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE

November 16 is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. November 30 is the final date for student attendance in Years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the summer holidays on December 7.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication (June 2017) but may be subject to change.

For more information and the latest version of this calendar, visit

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