



The best gift any parent can give a child is the love of good books and the joy and benefits of good reading. Children who read at home, or are read to, have a head start on reading success in school.

Our school is participating in Scholastic Book Clubs this year. During the school year we will send home a Club flyer with a different selection of books offered. You'll find award-winning books, as well as old and new favourites. The books span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests and they are inexpensive (some books cost as little as \$2).

It is easy to order. This Issue's flyer is attached. Just look over the flyer with your child, select the books you want, mark them on the order form on the back of the flyer, and return the order form with payment by **Friday 13th March**.

Owning your own books is something special! We hope that you will encourage your child to order books this year. Each order helps earn free books and teaching materials for our school, however there is never any obligation to order. There is no better way to encourage reading than to allow children to choose the books they want to read.

For more information about the books in this offer, you can visit the Scholastic Book Clubs Web site at [www.scholastic.com.au](http://www.scholastic.com.au). You will also find great activities and resources for you and your child.



Collect tokens daily from the Toowoomba Chronicle and/or the Warwick Daily News.

LOOK out for the tokens between Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February and Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Drop them all into the office at NOBBY STATE SCHOOL by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

Thanking you in advance for your support.

### Clifton Show

The Nobby State School display looked fantastic. The students did a great job of their art pieces. Thanks to Mrs Morwood and Miss Jacqui for putting the display together.

A huge congratulations to the Nobby 'Battle of the Brains' team. Scarlet, Tom and Jasmine competed fiercely in this event and walked away WINNERS! They each received a bundle of goodies for their efforts and the school received 3 books for the library. WELL DONE TEAM!



Congratulations also to the following students who were recognised for their handwriting and ICT entries:

- Frankie Barwick—2nd Handwriting
- Audrey Barwick—Highly Commended Handwriting
- Katie Field—2nd Handwriting
- Jess Field—Highly Commended Handwriting
- Scarlet Barwick—1st Handwriting
- Frankie Barwick—1st ICT
- Shelby Breeze—2nd ICT
- Jak Kiepe—Highly Commended ICT

### Lorin Nicholson Performance

What an absolute pleasure it was to have Lorin perform at Nobby last week. He is a true talent and a very motivational and inspirational speaker. The students were enthralled by his stories and his music. Check him out at [lorinnicholson.com](http://lorinnicholson.com) or watch his YouTube video, [Blind Courage](#), which follows him on his epic bike ride from Perth to Sydney.



### Swimming Carnivals

Central Downs: Congratulations to Boyd McDonald and Darcy Noller who both participated in the CD Swimming Carnival on the 13th of February.



Southern Downs: What an amazing effort by Darcy Noller who was selected to compete at the SD Swimming Carnival last Thursday. Darcy came 4th in the 2006 boys 50m freestyle event. Great job Darcy!



# The Nobby Link

confidence in a connected world

Term 1 Week 5

Thursday 26th February, 2015

### Calendar

Term 1, 2015

Week	Day	Event
Week 5	Friday 27th February	CD Tennis Trials
Week 6	Friday 6th March	CD Soccer Trials
Week 6	Friday 6th March	CD Rugby League Trials
Week 6	Friday 6th March	CD Netball Trials
Week 6	Friday 6th March	Tuckshop
Week 6	Friday 6th March	Meet and Greet
Week 7	Friday 13th March	Nobby SS Triathlon
Week 8	Tuesday 17th March	School Photos
Week 8	Tuesday 17th March	P&C AGM and General Meeting
Week 8	Thursday 19th March	Toowoomba Show Holiday

### Justin Coulson

We had some great sessions with Justin last week. He is so knowledgeable and engaging. His sessions were extremely inspiring and I find myself thinking about things he said and practices he told us to employ each and every day since his visit.

I hope that everyone who attended his sessions was able to walk away with a few ideas on how to lead happy lives with our families.

### Meet and Greet

The new date is Friday 6th March. We will need to know asap if:-

1. Your family **was** coming but now cannot make it, or
2. Your family **was not** coming and would now like to.

If you are now unable to come we will return your pizza money or if your family can now make it we will require a pizza order from you. If you fit into either of these categories, please call or drop into the office to arrange the changes with Terri or Deena.

### Leaders Induction Ceremony

WOW! What wonderful speeches our School Leaders gave at yesterday's induction ceremony. We look forward to our leaders displaying their leadership skills throughout the year. Thanks to everyone who was able to attend. We hope you enjoyed the afternoon.

### School photos

This year's school photos will be held on Tuesday 17th March. Our photos are taken by Panda Photographics, and money for photos will go directly to Panda Photographics. Please find a photo order form with today's newsletter. Orders and money need to be returned to the school office by the day of the photos. The order forms and money will be collected by Panda Photographics on the day of the photos.

### Felton Food Festival Volunteers

The P&C is organising a major fundraiser—selling sandwiches at a stall at the Felton Food Festival during the school holidays.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

If you can-

- Stand in the stall and sell sandwiches on Sunday 12th April, WE NEED YOU!
- Make sandwiches on Saturday 11th April, WE NEED YOU!

Please speak to Wendy Noller or Kathy Newman if you can help. Alternatively, please pop into the office and put your name on the list!!

This could be a huge fundraiser!! As with all school fundraisers, the money raised benefits EVERY Nobby student. Please consider putting in an hour or two if you can.

### Young Leaders Day

The Year 6 students will travel to Brisbane on Friday 20th March to attend Young Leaders Day. This year's speakers are Bindi Irwin, Juliette Wright and Coen Ashton. To find more information and to read biographies about the speakers visit- <http://halogen.org.au/event/brisbane-primary>.

### Spray jackets EOJ

Due to the cost of spray jackets we will not be holding stocks of all sizes. Please let the office know if you require a Nobby SS spray jacket for the cooler months.

### Staff Absences

Tim will be away today and tomorrow at the Principals Conference. Keeping up to date with administrative requirements and good teaching practices is vital to good leadership.

### Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to Cheryl Dowler who is currently studying for her Diploma in Educational Support. She is required to do prac and so is volunteering in the Junior Room every Monday this term.

### Attachments

- Triathlon Permission and Lunch Order Form
- Book Club Order Form—Orders Due Friday 13th March
- School Photos Order Form
- Young Leaders Day Permission Form—Yr 6 ONLY

Junior triathlon	9:10am	Junior school mini triathlon
Senior triathlon	10:15am	Registration, assembly, snack
	10:30am	Welcome & instructions
	10:40am	Walking of the track
	11:10am	Start of the Triathlon
	12:10pm	Conclusion of the Triathlon
	12:25pm	Lunch
	1:00pm	Presentation of Awards



### Nobby State School Triathlon

The Nobby Triathlon will be held on Friday 13th March. All Nobby students will take part in the triathlon. Students aged 9, 10, 11 and 12 (e.g. turning 10 in 2015= 10 year old for sporting purposes) will take part in the triathlon against students from other schools, while all other Nobby students will participate in their very own mini triathlon. The mini triathlon for our younger students consists of 10 minutes on each leg (swimming, running, bike ride). We encourage mums and dads to come along for this, as well as the triathlon event for the older students.

All students, parents and spectators are welcome to order a BBQ lunch. Please return the attached permission and lunch order form by Friday 6th March.

*We require many hands to help run this event to ensure that things run smoothly. If you can help to check off competitor laps, cook a BBQ, help serve hungry visitors or be a jack of all trades, please pass on your willingness to the office staff.*

## Twenties Club

Congratulations to the following students who have reached the '20 nights' level of the Twenties Club!

Jack Callanan  
Brigitte Elburg  
Lilly Grogan  
Bridget Hopper  
Hannah Nicholson  
Alexander Bauer  
Emma Sheridan  
Ava Youngberry  
Frankie Barwick  
Shelby Breeze  
Jak Kiepe  
Cameron Knecht  
Nate Armstrong  
Audrey Barwick  
Katie Field  
Kyra McCulkin  
Cameron Mengel  
Libby Sheridan  
Sam Sheridan  
Jacob Torcetti  
Amber Walker



Connor Bauer  
Georgia Hopkins  
Graham Hopper  
Ethan McCulkin  
Darcy Noller  
Tyson Schafer  
Bree Wilson  
Rolf Burchell-Butcher  
Jess Field  
Kyle Grogan  
Ruby Noller  
Scarlet Barwick  
Darcy Gorkow  
Tom Green  
Denzel McCulkin  
Jasmine Wilson  
Jack Burchell-Butcher  
Boyd McDonald  
Taliha Stallan  
Hannah Torcetti



### Chappy Update

Hey Y'all,

I hope everyone is having a great week so far. I know this week has been interesting for me with Kim and Gideon in Melbourne. Caleb and I have been having a great time on our own!

This year I will be starting the 'Chappy Challenge' again. To go into the draw to win prizes, students must not get moved down the ladder for two weeks, and also complete all of their homework. Students who complete the 'Chappy Challenge' go into the draw to win a movie voucher but there will be different prizes to win throughout the year. I will draw out the winner on Thursdays at lunch time. Are y'all up for the 'Chappy Challenge'?

Sincerely,

Matt



## 2015 School Leaders



## Junior Room News

In English -

Some of our Year 1 and 2 children have begun a comprehension program called 'Blue Box.'

Everyone reads in small groups, reading books at their appropriate level of ability and understanding. We are looking for:- fluency and expression (reading like we talk), ability to answer questions about the text, identifying new vocab, and asking questions about the topic to clarify understanding.

Some good reading strategies are - using sounds to work out words (decoding), looking at pictures and predicting what might come next, rereading a section to clarify meaning or after a word has had to be worked out.

In Maths -

We are continuing number patterns and learning number words. Year 1 and 2 will be doing number facts as well.

