

*Happy Mother's Day*

This year's Mother's Day Stall will be held tomorrow, 8th May. All students will have the opportunity to purchase items for their Mums, Nans, Grans, Grandmas. Items range in price from \$1.50—\$5.50. If you would like your child/children to purchase gifts for these special people, please send some money along tomorrow.

**Buy a book from Scholastic Book Clubs to build our classroom resources!**

**Trivia Night**

**Nobby School of Arts Hall**

**\$10 each**

on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2015  
6.30pm for 7pm  
Refreshments  
Bar  
Prizes and Raffles  
Book a table  
Phone June 4696 3108

*Tomorrow night!*

There has been heaps of work going on around the school grounds this week.

- Junior Room sandpit has new edges and sand
- The rio is here for the new shed
- Concreting under the steps to the office
- Concreting at the pool entrance

NAPLAN testing

These national tests will be conducted in every school in Australia next week, beginning on Tuesday, and running daily until Thursday.

We do have an alternative plan for the senior classroom, to ensure that the tests are conducted as efficiently as possible. Parents of students in years 3 and 5— can you please ensure that your students are ready and at school with plenty of time to spare and with plenty of food in their bellies? Please do not make a big deal of the tests— it is just another way we can track their progress, they are not the most important things in the world.

Tuesday 12th May	Wednesday 13th May	Thursday 14th May
1. Language Conventions test (spelling, punctuation & grammar) 40mins (yrs. 3 & 5)	3. Reading test 45mins (yr. 3) 50mins (yr. 5)	4. Numeracy test 45mins (yr. 3) 50mins (yr. 5)
2. Writing test 40mins (yrs. 3 & 5)		

# The Nobby Link

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Term 2 Week 3  
Thursday 7th May  
2015

**P&C Executives**

A big thank you to our P&C executives from last year. The role that they play for our school is huge, they choose to do it to help our school be the best it can be. So, to Richard, Vicki, Wendy and Matt - thank you very much!!!

Our executive for 2015 are:-

- President— Ted Callanan
- Vice President— Rose Hopper
- Secretary— Wendy Noller
- Treasurer— Alicia Kiepe

Thank you also to the new executives for choosing to fulfil these positions.

**Suggestion Box**

We now have a suggestion box in the office for both the P&C and the school. Please identify if the suggestion is for the P&C or the school (if you can), and also leave your name so that we can get back to you. The box is located on the wall inside the office door, next to the 'School' and 'P&C' boxes.

**Playground Changes**

Due to our growing numbers, the decision has been made to revert back to separate playgrounds for each class.

Students will no longer be able to play in the sandpit after school. However, they are free to play on the grassed area, under the library and on the parade ground.

**Under 8's Day**

Our Prep—Year 2 students have been invited to attend the Under 8's Day at Clifton State School on Friday 22nd May. The day will run from approximately 9:30am—2:00pm. Parent transport is required to and from this event. Please provide morning tea and lunch for your child/children.

*Due to the Winter Sports Gala Day and Under 8's Day on Friday 22nd May there will be no supervision at school as all students are expected to attend their respective events.*

**Slippery Junior Room Ramp**

Yes— it gets very slippery when wet!!

We can paint it, but the paint will wear off; we can put non-slip sticky strips down, but they may peel off.

We are going to start with a rubber mat and assess how effective it is down the track. In the meantime, children need to be reminded that ramps and stairs, as well as all hard surfaces, are only to be walked on.

**Sporting Achievements**

Congratulations to Tom and Scarlet for their participation in their respective representative teams this week. You should both be very proud of your efforts!

**Website and Q Schools App**

Don't forget to check the website or app to keep up-to-date with the latest news and events.

**Free Dress Day**

Chappy Matt has organised a Free Dress Day for Thursday 21st May. Please bring a gold coin donation. All money raised will go to the Chaplaincy Committee.

**Calendar**

Term 2, 2015

Week	Day	Event
Week 3	Friday 8th May	Mother's Day Stall
Week 4	Tuesday 12th - Thursday 14th May	NAPLAN
Week 4	Friday 15th May	Tuckshop
Week 5	Tuesday 19th May	P&C Meeting
Week 5	Thursday 21st May	Free Dress Day
Week 5	Friday 22nd May	Gala Day 1 Allora SS
Week 5	Friday 22nd May	Under 8's Day Clifton SS
Week 6	Friday 29th May	Gala Day 2 Allora SS
Week 8	Monday 8th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Week 9	Tuesday 16th June	Darling Downs Reader's Cup

- Attachments:**
- ◆ Book Club— Orders & Payment Due Friday 15th May
  - ◆ Winter Sports Gala Days Permission Form (Yr. 3-6)
  - ◆ Under 8's Day Permission Form (Prep -Yr. 2)

Students born from 2003– 2007\*\* will be participating in the Gala Days in Allora. Students have chosen to play either netball, soccer or rugby league, and will compete against students from other schools on both days. Children are required to wear a hat and sunscreen at all times. Please provide morning tea, lunch and a water bottle for your child—tuckshop will also be available both days. Parents, please arrange transport for your child on both days, and return permission forms by the due date.

**EXTRA Rugby league notes-** The 6 a side competition will be conducted in two age groups:

Junior – children born 2005 & 2006

Senior – children born 2004 & 2003

Players are encouraged to play in protective gear. They must wear footwear (boots with tags are okay). Mr Roy Nott (Allora SS), has some pairs of boots he can lend to students. Jerseys will be provided.

**EXTRA Soccer notes-** The 8 a side competition will be conducted in two age groups:

**DIVISION A** – (2003/ 2004 mixed boys and girls)

**DIVISION B** – (2005/ 2006/ 2007 mixed boys and girls)

Players are required to wear appropriate footwear at all times (runners only– **no boots with tags**). Shin pads and long socks are recommended to be worn during play.

**EXTRA Netball notes-** The competitions will be divided into two age groups:-

Junior– 2005, 2006, 2007

Senior– 2003, 2004

\*\* Not all 2007 students will be attending Allora for the Gala Days. Parents of students born 2007 who are in the junior room should speak to Mrs Field about their child's involvement.

***Gala Days***  
Allora State School– Fridays 22nd and 29th May  
All students born 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007\*\*

## Junior Room News

Happy Mother's Day to all of our mummies, grandmas, nanas and other mother figures. This is surely a great time to celebrate 'family'. Enjoy your weekend.



This term we are continuing to work toward our targets in reading, sight words and maths.

Year 2s should know and understand fractions including 1/2, 1/3, 1/4 and 1/8. Number facts to 10 and then to 20 with both addition and subtraction being essential. Year 1s should aim to understand most of these concepts most of the time.

Our Preps will be involved in maths activities to learn number names to 10, counting and understanding to 20, basic shapes, o'clock time and what a 1/2 fraction is.

We have some fantastic group work happening for our morning sessions with reading groups. These run from 9:00am until 10:00am. We are in need of a volunteer helper for our Wednesday session if we wish to continue this level of support for all children. Are you able to commit to helping us with this? Let me know if you can help please. Thanks to Dom Sheridan for offering her services on a Thursday.



ANZAC Day Services

*It was wonderful to see both the Nobby ANZAC Service and the Clifton ANZAC Service so well attended.*

*Thank you to Mrs Field for leading the Senior Room choir in a most moving rendition of 'Four Hundred Seasons'.*

*Thank you also to our guest speaker, Francis Cooper-Mac who donated a book about one of Nobby's own sons— Victor Denton. This year will be one to remember for all of us, as it commemorated our country's centenary of involvement in a world event that changed our future.*



Lunchbox Ideas

Many children do not like crusts and tend to waste a lot of their sandwich. Can we suggest that you cut the crusts off at home? Apples are also causing some difficulty, either because of wobbly teeth or because they take too long to eat. It would help us immensely if you could peel and cut apples into wedges at home. All of this will mean less waste here at school and happier eaters.

We like the children to eat what you have packed, but some are saying there is too much food in their lunchbox. We encourage the children to talk with you about what is in their lunch box. Water bottles are important, especially on Thursdays for PE. Please make sure your child has a water bottle every day.

For some great lunchbox ideas and recipes, check out these websites:

<http://www.kidspot.com.au/Back-to-School-Lunch-box-nutrition-ideas-for-healthy-lunch-boxes+1756+181+article.htm>

<http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/healthy-eating/mums-united/Pages/welcome.aspx>

### Staff Profiles

Miss Maggie (Maggie Stevens) and Mrs Naumann (Belinda Naumann) are teacher aides who work with Kurtis.

Maggie is currently studying education at USQ in Toowoomba and will be a teacher in a few years. She lives in Toowoomba.

Belinda lives in Nobby with her husband and 3 children, two of whom attend NSS– Brianna in year 3 and Bailey in Prep.



### CHAPPY CHAT

Hey Y'all

Just writing a little Chappy Update for y'all. I first wanted to say a big thank you for the Aussie Hamper I received on becoming an Australian citizen. It is amazing how wonderful this school community is to my family and I.



I will be starting the Chappy Challenge again this week. If students don't get moved down the ladder their name goes into a draw to win a prize. Last term winners received a Movie ticket voucher, but this term I will be doing different prizes each week.

I will end this little Chappy Update with one of my favourite quotes from Dr Seuss: "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

Sincerely,

Matt



Thanks very much to Sue Breeze who has put up her hand to be our tuckshop coordinator.

We are currently considering making some changes to the menu. If there are any items you would like to see added to (or taken away from) the menu please place your thoughts in the suggestion box in the office.