

Around the Ridges

And a bit beyond

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FROM THE RIDGELANDS STATE SCHOOL

News from the Principal

Welcome back, especially to new families who are joining our school community for the first time. I trust you all had an enjoyable holiday and have returned energised to face the challenges and opportunities of the new school term. Our four day Student Free Day Program addressed a variety of mandatory professional development topics and school priorities with an emphasis on Writing, Reading and Attendance. Teaching staff are focused on improving learning outcomes for every student through differentiated teaching and learning through a supportive classroom and school environment.

Staff for 2016

Both classrooms have a very exciting and productive year planned. Mrs Susan Balmain is the classroom teacher for Prep/1/2, along with Mrs Heather Martin who will be teaching this class once a fortnight. I will be teaching Year 3/4/5/6 four days a week, with Mr Denis Mayhew releasing me from class, while I conduct administration duties, once a week. We welcome Mrs Jodie Hiron back for another year of teaching music. Mr Denis Mayhew will take Health & Physical Education lessons once a fortnight. Sensei Kanako Iwakura will provide LOTE Classes via teleconference to our year 5 & 6 students on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Our dedicated teacher aides include Mrs Desley Chippendale, Mrs Margaret Pierce and Mrs Judy Stanke will provide valuable support in our classrooms.

School Bus Run in Danger of Closure

The Garnant / South Yaamba bus run is in danger of closing starting Term 2 due to limited student passengers.

This bus run services South Yaamba Road, Seymours Road, Calmorin Road, Chippendale Road and Garnant Road. If you know of anyone who may live on this bus route and would possibly be interested in attending Ridgeland State School, please contact the school or Hampson's bus service on 0438 761 772 or 0419 761 772

RIDGELANDS TENNIS CLUB NEWS

This is an invitation to all you budding tennis players out there. It is time to dust off those unused racquets. We would love to see you playing night fixtures in 2016 and no matter what you playing skills we can cater for you. We currently play night fixtures on **Tuesday and Thursday nights** from mid-February - mid June and early September - late October. We have four night fixture teams with players being ranked 1-4 (according to player skill). It doesn't matter if you can play once a week or once a month we would love for you to join our tennis family. *For more details* please contact Club Secretary, Karen Salmon on 0429 968771 (if I am unable to take you call, please leave me a message and I will return your call).

On behalf of the Newsletter team we wish you all a safe and happy Easter break. Enjoy the little things as these are really the big things around which lives revolve.

Around the Ridges and a Bit Beyond is a community and school newsletter.
It is produced monthly by volunteers and is funded through sponsorship and advertising.
Advertising for special events must be submitted two months in advance.
PLEASE TELL US YOUR STORIES! We want to hear them!!!!
**If you wish to contribute to the newsletter, please send all material
in by the 11th of every month**

NEENISH TARTS

Ingredients

125g butter
125g caster sugar
1 egg
225g self-raising flour

Filling

75g butter
½ cup icing sugar
½ cup sweetened condensed milk
2 tablespoons lemon juice

Icing

50g each white and dark chocolate
¼ cup cream

Method

Beat butter and sugar until light and creamy. Add egg and beat again. Mix in flour and combine until you have a ball of dough. Roll on a lightly floured board. Cut 12 circles to fit tart tins. Refrigerate for 30 minutes. Preheat oven to 170c. Prick base of pastry with fork. Bake for 15 minutes. Remove from tins when cool. For the filling, soften butter, add icing sugar, condensed milk and juice and mix well. Fill pastry cases evenly and chill. Melt white chocolate with half the cream, and dark with the remaining cream. Stir each until smooth. When cool enough, ice tarts, one half dark and the other half white on each tart.

“I had a rose named after me and I was very flattered. But I was not pleased to read the description in the catalogue: - Not good in a bed but fine against a wall.”
Eleanor Roosevelt

“By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he’s too old to go anywhere.” *Billy Crystal*

‘It’s those small daily happenings that make life. so spectacular.’ *unknown*

‘Meet the Candidates’ Monday 7th March At Alton Downs Hall

Thank you to the large number of people who turned out to meet the candidates for the recent election. It was a fiesty meeting by all accounts and it is becoming known that people in our area like to have a voice in the running and decisions made at our local level. The candidates faced the questions and had their work cut out for them. The more people who attend these types of meetings the better representation this area will have in the future.

Thank you to the Ratepayers Association for organising this.

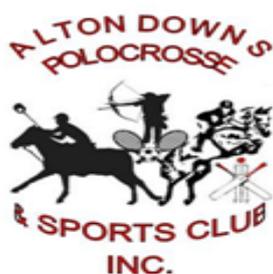
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☺ **Economic models explained by cows ---- A laugh for you from the internet**

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COMMUNISM: You have 2 cows. The State takes both and gives you some milk.

FASCISM: You have 2 cows. The State takes both and sells you some milk.

NAZISM: You have 2 cows. The State takes both and shoots you.

BUREAUCRATISM: You have 2 cows. The State takes both, shoots one, milks the other, and then throws the milk away...

TRADITIONAL CAPITALISM: You have two cows. You sell one and buy a bull. Your herd multiplies, and the economy grows. You sell them and retire on the income.

AN AMERICAN CORPORATION: You have two cows. You sell one, and force the other to produce the milk of four cows. Later, you hire a consultant to analyse why the cow has dropped dead.

ENRON VENTURE CAPITALISM: You have two cows. You sell three of them to your publicly listed company, using letters of credit opened by your brother-in-law at the bank, then execute a debt/equity swap with an associated general offer so that you get all four cows back, with a tax exemption for five cows. The milk rights of the six cows are transferred via an intermediary to a Cayman Island Company secretly owned by the majority shareholder who sells the rights to all seven cows back to your listed company. The annual report says the company owns eight cows, with an option on one more. Sell one cow to buy a new president of the United States, leaving you with nine cows. No balance sheet provided with the release. The public buys your bull.

JAPANESE CORPORATION: You have two cows. You redesign them so they are one-tenth the size of an ordinary cow and produce twenty times the milk. You then create a clever cow cartoon image called 'cowkimon' and market it worldwide.

A GERMAN CORPORATION: You have two cows. You re-engineer them so they live for 100 years, eat once a month, and milk themselves.

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What's Happening this Month?

Notices

Stitch and Chat Group

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month starting at 9.30 a.m. Ridgeland's QCWA room. All welcome Phone 4934 5125.

Ridgeland's & District Sporting & Agricultural Asscn Inc.

Monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month, commencing at 7.30 p.m. at the Ridgeland's Show grounds. **Next meeting** 13th April.

QCWA Ridgeland's Branch

Meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday every month, commencing at 9.30 a.m. Contact Joyce 4934 5120. for further information.

Around the Ridgeland's newsletter committee would like to thank Big Colour Works for printing our newsletter every second month for free. If you need something printed, please support Big Colour Works.

Celebrations

Happy Birthday to all the residents in our community who are having a birthday:
Eden Chippendale
Dave Alick
Sandy Gorle

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE

The Alton Downs and Combined District Anzac Day dawn service will be held on Monday 25th April commencing at 4.28 a.m. followed by a Gun fire breakfast.
Everyone Welcome.

Community Notices

Rockhampton Horticultural Society Show **April 2nd and 3rd** at the Crowley Pavilion Rockhampton Showgrounds

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Ridgeland's Show May 28th

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Dance at Alton Downs Hall
29th April 2016 Music by Gary Stickley Raffles, Novelty Prizes and Supper.

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Cent Sale at the Alton Downs Hall on Saturday **16th April 2016** at 2pm Good Prizes and Afternoon Tea.

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QCWA Ridgeland's Branch **Mother's Day Afternoon Tea** on the **1.5.2016**

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Congratulations to Susan Balmain on finishing her Zebra Cross stitch. Her persistence has paid off - it is lovely!

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Those wonderful Church Bulletins are back! 'Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.'
'At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.'

Interest-only mortgage calculator

An interest-only mortgage calculator has been created via the govt MoneySmart website

Investment risk tool see Investing Challenge on Money Smart website

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The gentleman replied, 'Oh, I haven't told my family yet. I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I've changed my will three times!

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