

Friday 29th May 2026

Week 6 Newsletter - Term 2

It is hard to believe we have already reached the end of Week 6 of the term. The recent wet weather has certainly had a significant impact on our school routines, particularly play times and special events. Unfortunately, we have had to postpone our Under Eight's Day twice due to the weather. We are hopeful for sunshine and are pleased to confirm that the event has now been rescheduled for **Wednesday 3 June from 9:15am - 10:15am**.

HIGHLAND RESERVE STATE SCHOOL
INVITES HRSS STUDENTS
AND PARENTS TO...

UNDER 8'S DAY

WEDNESDAY 3RD OF JUNE, 2026

(9.15-10.15)

A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES

INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:



CRAFT



FINE MOTOR



GROSS MOTOR



MESSY PLAY



PARENTS TO MEET IN YEAR 1 UNDERCOVER
AREA AT 9:15AM.

EVENT HELD IN THE PREP / YEAR 1 VICINICTY.

We look forward to welcoming our families and community members to celebrate this special morning with us.

Assessment and Student Wellbeing

As we move through the middle of Term 2, assessment tasks are currently being completed across all year levels. During these times, some students can naturally feel more worried or stressed about their learning. Families can support by reminding children that assessments are simply another learning activity, just like any daily classroom task. Encouraging students to keep an open mind, try their best and focus on growth rather than perfection, can make a big difference to their confidence and wellbeing.

Teacher Shortage

A serious issue currently facing schools across Queensland — and Australia — is the ongoing teacher shortage. I would like to acknowledge and apologise for the number of different relief teachers some classes have experienced recently. Please know that we are working extremely hard to secure consistent staff who are available for longer periods of time. Unfortunately, many relief teachers are only available for one or two days at a time. We appreciate the understanding and support our families have shown during this challenging time for education.

Circle Time – Building Connections

Over the past few weeks, the Leadership Team has been visiting classrooms and participating in Circle Time sessions across the school. It has been wonderful to see the positive culture being built in classrooms through this important whole-school approach. Circle Time provides students with a safe and structured opportunity to build relationships, develop communication skills, strengthen emotional awareness and practise respectful listening. It also supports our students in feeling connected, valued and ready to learn. We are very proud of the calm, inclusive and supportive environments our staff are creating during these sessions.

Hawaiian Luau Disco – Thursday 4 June



Our wonderful P&C is excited to present the upcoming **Hawaiian Luau Disco** next Thursday evening!

Our specialist school disco entertainer, DJ Shorty Brown, is ready to get the party started with:

- Challenges and prizes
- Cool props
- Bubbles and smoke machines
- Lights and lasers
- Big balloons
- Air guitars
- And a whole lot of dancing!

🌴 Don't forget to dress up in your best Hawaiian Luau outfit!

🎫 **Tickets are available now on FlexiSchools and close Monday 1 June**

- \$6 Entry
- \$12 Entry + Food

⚠️ **Please note: No tickets will be available at the door.**

There are still volunteer spots available if you are able to assist on the evening. Volunteers are asked to follow the instructions provided and link their Blue Card to the P&C portal.

The process is very straightforward and only takes a few minutes. Volunteer here: <https://volunteersignup.org/JJQ4T> External link

⚠️ Please note: The Ninja Warrior Course on the oval is an OUT OF BOUNDS area for the duration of the Disco.

READ YOUR GREENS Podcast Series



Join author Nick Earls, broadcaster Kirsten MacGregor, Lizzy Dixon (2025 joint winner of the Queensland School Library Associations' Teacher Librarian of the Year award) and experienced speech language pathologist Darren Adams-Beutel as they chat about books and kids.

A podcast series for parents by parents, helping you find books your children will like, how to make story time special and reinforce why books still matter in a digital world.

Flu Season

As we reach the middle of the term, flu season can impact attendance and disrupt students' learning. To help keep your child healthy and engaged, Queensland Health provides advice on flu prevention, recognising symptoms, and managing illness. If your child is unwell, please keep them home and inform the school so we can work together.

By following simple prevention strategies, we can work together to keep students healthy, in school when well, and on track with their learning.

The following link will provide information on the recommended minimum exclusion periods for infectious conditions such as the flu [Qld Dept Health Time Out Poster External link](#)

Every Day Counts



For more information, visit the [Every day counts webpage](#) External link

AusAlert Warning System



AusAlert is a new Australian Government warning system that will deliver emergency and safety messages almost instantly.

This system will allow states and territories and the Australian Government to send emergency notifications to people across Australia.

There will be a nationwide test on 27 July at 2pm, with full implementation of the system set for October this year. For more information, go to www.ausalert.gov.au [External link](#).

Domestic and Family Violence (DFV) Prevention Month



May is domestic and family violence (DFV) prevention month. This year's theme is 'Together Queenslanders can take action to prevent DFV'.

Our school contributes by [teaching students about safe and respectful relationships External link](#) and helping students and families impacted by DFV to access support.

Visit the Queensland Government's [DFV prevention month web page External link](#) to learn more about what DFV is, the support available, how to help someone experiencing DFV, and the DFV prevention month activities taking place in our community.

The Premier's Reading Challenge



Guided Growth Sessions

During week 3 of this term, the Guiding Growth parent session's topic was on how you can help your child at home with reading.

This recording was pitched at our earlier phases of reading and can be found on our website using the file path shown in the image below.

The recording is of the presentation but also shows videos so you can see just what to do at home.

A huge thank you to our star students for being model examples and some of our many expert teachers for their time.

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Information for parents, presented by staff at Highland Reserve



[Reading at Home - Thursday 7 May 2026](#)

Presented by Bek Sheather

Before School Processes – Term 2 Reminder

- From 8:30am only, students are supervised. Parents are encouraged to use this as a “Drop and Go” time.
- Our undercover areas are designated “Drop and Go” zones.
- For those wishing to connect with other parents, Firewell Café @ The Well on Highland Way is a lovely nearby option.

Late Arrivals to School after Morning Roll Mark

All students must be accompanied by a parent/carer and signed in at the administration office if they arrive any time during the day after the morning roll mark.

A late arrival slip will then be issued to the student to be forwarded to the class teacher.

Enrolments Now Open for 2027

Siblings of currently enrolled students, born from **1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022**, are eligible to enrol for Prep 2027. Enrolment packs are available now from the school Office.

Please find attached the [HRSS 2027 Prep Important Dates Flyer \(PDF, 2.7MB\)](#)

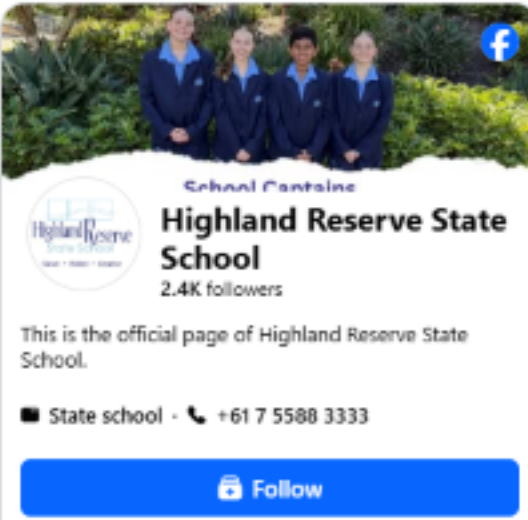
Stay Connected

Keep up to date with all the latest school news and events by following our official Facebook page: [Highland Reserve State School Facebook External link](#) and the following HRSS Website link <https://highlandreservess.eq.edu.au/calendar-and-news>

Calendar and news

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Social media



The image shows a Facebook profile card for Highland Reserve State School. At the top is a photo of four students in school uniforms. Below the photo is the school's profile picture and name, 'Highland Reserve State School', with '2.4K followers'. A description states it is the official page. Contact information includes 'State school' and a phone number '+61 7 5588 3333'. A blue 'Follow' button is at the bottom of the profile section.

School Profile
Highland Reserve State School
2.4K followers

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Prep 2027 enrolment
NOW OPEN

PREP 2027: JULY 2021-JUNE 2022

Collect your enrolment pack
from administration

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.