SCHOOL LEADERS proudly hold up their new leadership school shirts that they received on last Parade (pictured right). Thanks you to the Wyreema Store and to our own P and C for continuing to fund the shirts for the 2017 Leaders. We know that our Leaders will make Wyreema School proud this year!

School Captains
The 2017 School Captains, Kobe Hold and Taliah-Rose Mann, received their badges at last Friday’s Leadership Parade. They pledged to follow the school rules and to uphold the school values and good name of the school. Congratulations to them both!

For the next 6 months, our school’s targeted energy is particularly focused on the teaching and learning of READING
**Important Reminders:**

- With the recent heat wave and continuing hot weather, it's important to keep our students hydrated. Please provide your child/children with a water bottle for them to access during class time.
- Looking for the newsletter? They go home with the eldest in the family every second Wednesday, they are put onto the School Website and you can get them emailed directly to you—just let Mrs Hungerford know your email address at the Office.

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**Attendance Data for Each Class as of today:**

- **Prep**—98.1%
- Prep/1—97.16%
- Grade 1/2—97.15%
- Grade 2/3—96.37%
- Grade 4—93.06%
- Grade 5/6—95.05%

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**AFFORDABLE PERENNIALS**

Bill and Marina Muller  Ph: (07) 4696 2165—elevings
Email: billandmarina@live.com.au

We propagate and sell a large variety of hardy cottage garden plants at very reasonable prices!

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Our Student Attendance School Target for 2016 is: **95%**

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Cambooya-Wyreema-Greenmount Neighbour Watch is in need of volunteers in your area. If you would like to help out please contact us through our Facebook page: Cambooya-Wyreema-Greenmount Neighbourhood Watch, email us at: cambooyanw@yahoo.com or call our message service on 0459 602 885.

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Toowoomba PCYC Markets
Every Sunday of the month except for the last (we’re half way along the railway line).

Nobby Market
1st Saturday of the month

Carbalah Market
Last Sunday of the month
News from the Year Four Class

Students have been investigating their ‘waste footprint’ during our Technology unit. They have been collecting the rubbish they produce throughout the day and then recording this in a database using Microsoft Excel. When students have finished their data collection they will be examining how much rubbish and the type of rubbish collected. It has been interesting to see how much rubbish can be recycled! They hope to share their findings with the school at the end of the term.

We are excited to be having our Whole School Review this Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (20, 21, 22 of February). The Review Team comprising of Mr Peter Doyle, Mrs Annette Ridley and Mr Howard Neilsen will be at our school as part of an on-going process with state schools across QLD to ensure continued and positive school improvement.

OSHC at our school—at your SERVICE!

♦ run by qualified educators.
♦ children have more social opportunities – does your child need to improve in socialisation???
♦ homework is correctly completed with professional assistance.
♦ extra education! (Give your child a boost in their education and confidence!)
♦ health and fitness – keep your children away from the X-Box and TV in the afternoons!
♦ very reasonably priced.

Whether you’re working or not – it’s available to you!

Phone Renae on 0429 915 159 or email on wyreemaoshc@gmail.com

Have you found us on Facebook yet?
Find Wyreema School—at your SERVICE!

view reminders and celebrations relating to your child’s Life at Wyreema

Wyreema SS Library

All students are encouraged to use the School Library each week.

ENVIRONMENTAL TIP OF THE WEEK

Only water your gardens when needed!
How long you water can depend on your soil.
Use tap timers and water efficient irrigation systems.
VALUES EDUCATION
Last week: Playground Rules
This week: High 5!
Next week: Bullying, No Way!

Playgroup is held at the school every school day Wednesday from 9am. Everyone is welcome!

Upcoming Playgroup Themes
* 22/2—Shapes
* 01/3—Colour: Blue
* 08/03—Transport
* 15/03—Under the Sea
* 22/03—Season: Autumn

Toowoomba City Mobile Library
Every Friday outside of the school between 9.45 and 10.45 am.
TUESDAY TUCKSHOP
Pictured left—Tuckshop Coordinator, Mrs Krystal Pearce with Tuckshop Volunteer, Mrs Tahnee Coombes, preparing delicious, healthy lunches as per the State Schools’ Healthy Foods guidelines.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
Eathan, pictured left, is already getting some great beats from his drumming in Instrumental Music on Tuesdays! Please see the Office if you’d like your child to be a part of this beneficial program.
Our busy Preppies have been working hard in their new classes! Learning their class and school routines, they have settled into school life quickly and just love to learn!

**READING TIPS:**
How To Read With A Beginning Reader:
Encourage your child to use his/her finger to point to each word. Read a sentence and have your child repeat it. Take turns reading a sentence each or a page each. Talk about the story as you read it. What do you think will happen next? What does this story remind you of? How do you think this character feels? Don’t be afraid to read the same book again! Repeated reading helps build reading fluency!

**READERS OF THE WEEK**
Congratulations to Emily (pictured right) and Shakira (pictured left) for being recipients of the Reader of the Week award. Emily’s award was for fantastic comprehension and Shakira’s for enthusiasm!

Happy birthday to Eathan, Rusty, Amelia and Kalindi!
CLASS INFORMATION SESSIONS:
Thank you to those who were able to attend the Class Information Sessions last week. Teachers were able to discuss classroom routines, curriculum plans, assessment, homework, behaviour expectations and more! Pictured above: Left—Mrs Colleen Warren (Prep/1) and Right—Miss Reegan Einam (1,2) with parents and carers.

SWEETHEARTS DAY
February 14 was Sweetheart’s Day at Wyreema School! Students and staff wore free dress in red and/or blue, donating gold coins to the important cause of Congenital Heart Disease. Merchandise is available to buy in the Office as part of this fundraiser and will be available until the end of February. Staff have also donated an additional $200+ which they have been collecting through their Wednesday donations of “Dress down Wednesday” (an iAIMs initiative). All monies raised will be doubled by Virgin money for Heartkids! A total of all monies raised will be published in the next newsletter.

Reminder:
Teachers are always happy to catch up with parents/carers concerning your child’s progress at school. You can often fit a small informal meeting in before or after school with your child’s teacher. If you need more that a couple of minutes, please make a meeting time, so that proper thought and time can be given.
Toowoomba City Rollers’ junior roller derby intake:

Looking for a sport that caters to all levels of experience and encourages teamwork, courage and respect for others? Junior roller derby may be for you!

The Toowoomba City Rollers would like to invite male and female skaters aged 6-16 to join their junior skater program. No previous roller skating experience is necessary. Junior roller derby is a great way to build confidence and learn new skills in a fun and encouraging environment.

Training for new skaters takes place each Monday night at Gowrie Junction Progress Association Hall from 6-7:30pm at a cost of $5 per session.

For more information, email toowoombacityrollers@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/toowoombacityrollers/
The following article can be used in your school newsletter or sent home as a letter to parents. Please adapt this letter to include information about your school's anti-bullying programs, policies or initiatives.

Dear parents

At our school we aim to create a safe and supportive school community for everyone.

Sometimes, it can be difficult for parents or carers to know what to do when their child talks to them about bullying.

You are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone.

If your child talks to you about bullying:

1. **Listen** calmly and get the full story. Your calm response is important to allow your child to tell you all about the situation. After they've told you their story, ask questions to get more details if you need to: who, what, where, when. Although you may feel some strong emotions about your child’s experience, try to keep calm to avoid more distress to your child.

2. **Reassure** your child they are not to blame. Many children blame themselves and this may make them feel even worse. You could say things like, ‘That sounds really hard to deal with. No one should have to put up with that.’ or ‘I’m so glad you told me. You should be able to feel safe at school; that’s not fair at all’.

3. **Ask** your child what they want to do and what they want you to do. A critical part of your response is to avoid jumping in to solve the problem. While it is natural to want to protect your child, helping them to find their own solution is a better option. It helps them feel they have some power in the situation.

4. **Visit** www.bullyingnoway.gov.au to find some strategies. The website has tips and ideas for different bullying situations. One idea is to practise strategies at home to help your child feel more confident.

5. **Contact** the school. Your child may be reluctant for you to do this, so discuss the idea and reassure them that the school would want to know and is able to help. Make an appointment to meet with your child’s teacher and, if you need to, ask to talk with the principal. Contact the school immediately if you have a concern about your child’s safety.

6. **Check in regularly** with your child. Keep the conversation going. It can take time to resolve issues, so check in regularly with your child about their experiences and their feelings. Your ongoing support is important.

If you are looking for support for yourself to deal with a bullying situation, you will find ideas on the Bullying No Way! website for parents. As well, please contact the school if you would like to discuss any aspect of our approach to preventing bullying.

Thanks for your support to make our school a great school for everyone.
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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| Wednesday 15 | Meet and Greet 5—7pm  
P and C is providing a free sausage sizzle, ice-cream and more! |
| Thursday 16 | Mayoral Morning Tea for School Captains |
| Monday 20—Wednesday 22 | Whole School Review |

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**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

**Term 1, Week 2**
In P/1, Noah is a focused learner.  
* Kiarah is in the photo with her award from last week.  
In 1/2, Ruby is extending her learning and helping others.  
In 2/3, Kayla is presenting her bookwork neatly.  
In Grade 4, Charlotte has a great attitude towards school and is trying hard with her school work.  
In 5/6, Kaylee is a fantastic role model.  
In Prep, Emerson has been resilient all week. (not available for photo).

**Term 1, Week 3**
In Prep, Miyah is always demonstrating whole body listening.  
In 2/3, Brandy is a kind, caring and hard-working student.  
In P/1, Jacob is an enthusiastic learner.  
In 5/6, Olivia is producing fantastic work in class.  
In 1/2, Ashlee is completing tasks to a high standard.  
In Grade 4, Lahela has put in a great effort with her book work. (not available for photo)