



PORT CURTIS ROAD COURIER

A fortnightly communication between home and the school community

PRINCIPAL: Mrs Julianne Emmert Email: principal@portcurtss.eq.edu.au Term 3 Week 9 – 6 September 2016

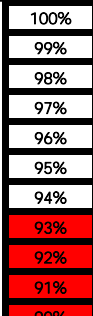
Core Priorities: Writing Attendance Wellbeing **VALUE:** Every child matters every day!

Port Curtis Road State School acknowledges the traditional Dharumbal people on whose land it stands.

Dates to Remember 2016

- Term 3**
11 July – 16 September
- Term 4**
4 October – 9 December
- Public Holiday Queen's Birthday** Monday 3rd October
- Student Free Day**

Attendance Thermometer



WEEK 8
93%

Congratulations to Years 1,3 & 4 – 100%

P & C Association

NEXT MEETING -
Term 4 to be advised

Your voice is needed
Your ideas are valued
You are important
to our school community spirit.



From the Principal

Families and Friends of the Port Curtis Road State School Community

Well this term has gone so quickly. This will be our last newsletter for this term. School will commence on Tuesday 4th October. It has been an extremely busy term but very productive.

Last Friday, we thanked our wonderful support staff for all the hard work they put in every single day. They all do such a fantastic job and never complain. They show obvious enjoyment and passion when working with students and do whatever it takes to make Porty such a great school.



Every Child Matters Everyday!!!!
Thanks very much.



Last week the Senior students enjoyed participating in a Food-centers Program organised by Faye Schneider from Centacare. The students cooked a beautiful breakfast which included porridge, banana smoothie, French toast and scrambled eggs which they then sat down and ate. Thanks very much to Faye for organising this.

Parents can have a look at some of the student's samples on the board under Mr Collins room. The students have written some great stories and we enjoy listening to some of them on parade.



Remember our School Rules—the four B's.

Student Absences: Every Day

Matters—Every Day is a Learning Day. Please

Well done to Caige, Eowyn, Blake, Rhys and Loretta who competed in the Regional Athletics carnival in Yeppoon on the weekend. They did a great job and competed in all areas of athletics.

Caige: Javelin (8th), Discus (9th), 1500m Walk (3rd), 100m Sprint(6th), Shot Put (5th), Triple Jump (9th)

Eowyn: Discus (3rd), Shot put (4th), Javelin (3rd), 100m Sprint (4th), 200m (5th)

Loretta: Discus (4th), Long Jump (5th), Shot Put (3rd), Javelin (4th)

Blake: High jump (5th), Long Jump (5th), Discus (4th), Shot Put (4th)

Rhys: Long Jump (5th), Shot Put (6th), Discus (5th), 70m Sprint (7th), 100m Sprint (7th).

Strike and Roll Program

We are very lucky to have the ten pin bowling kit at our school. Rocky Ten Pin Bowling kindly allow us to use this kit for 5 weeks. Every Wednesday the students have an opportunity to have a try out their bowling skills which is a lot of fun.

Camp

Can parents please ensure they make regular payments as scheduled?

All camp costs will need to be paid by Friday 16th September.



Have a great week!

Julianne Emmert, Principal

Cockatoos

Cockatoos can be found in zoos.

They have white feathers and a yellow crest on their heads.

Cockatoos walk, crawl, fly and run.

They are herbivores, eating insects, seeds and fruit.

Cockatoos live in bushland and trees. They squawk loudly on land and in trees.

Cockatoos can talk to you. When they are babies you can teach them to talk.

Cockatoos can break things like nuts and seeds.

By: Jordan-Lee

Year 1

Informative Text

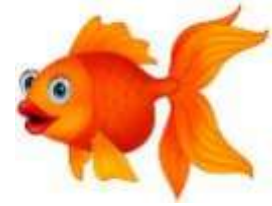


Prep Writing – Exploring Poetry/ Rhymes

This is my fish.

It is as round as a dish.

By: Harlan



This is my fish

It likes to swish.

By Anna-Bell

Look at the frog

It is going to the log.

By: Lily



Look at the frog

It is in the fog.

By: Rylee



EXCEL



In

week 8, selected primary students from Years 5 & 6 visited Rockhampton SHS to participate in the EXCEL Workshops which incorporated a range of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematic (STEM) activities. The EXCEL program is a new excellence course that will commence in 2017 which will incorporate a range of STEM related equipment and resources in to the curriculum to provide engaging learning experiences for students. The aim of the workshop was to allow potential students to see **Rockhampton SHS's facilities, work with our enthusiastic staff and collaborate with students from other schools who will also be attending Rockhampton SHS in coming years.**

To start the day, students were engaged in a range of Science activities. This included conducting flame tests to identify what chemicals are used for different coloured fireworks, dissecting cow's eyes, and creating a bubble through the use of dry ice.

Digital Technologies saw students focus on coding programs which is a fundamental component of STEM. Through the use of scratch and other coding programs, **students used our Ollies, Sphero's and drones to manoeuvre these devices through a range of obstacle courses that were created and designed using engineering and mathematic skills.**

From all accounts students thoroughly enjoyed the learning outcomes and opportunities that were provided to them whilst here at Rockhampton SHS. The eye dissection and **use of the Ollie's and Sphero's were notable highlights** from student feedback.

I would like to thank primary staff who coordinated the EXCEL students and also to parents/guardians who drove students to and from Rockhampton SHS. The days were a great success with all students having a great time whilst here at Rockhampton SHS. We look forward to working with our Cluster Schools in the near future.

Finally, to be accepted in to the EXCEL program in 2017 students need to complete an Expression of Interest form and include student NAPLAN results and their latest Report Card. Classroom teachers have a copy of the Expression of Interest form if your student does not have a copy. These documents are to be submitted to Rockhampton SHS by Friday 14th October, 2016. Should you have any further questions regarding the EXCEL program, please contact Marty Krehlik on 4920 4333 or mkreh2@eq.edu.au.

Marty Krehlik
Deputy Principal Rockhampton SHS

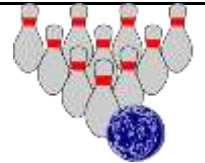


Porty Playgroup



Week 9 – 8th September

TIME	ACTIVITY & THEME – Bananas in Pyjamas
9:15 - 9:30	Reading corner/Jigsaw puzzles
9:30 – 10:45	Painting- Water wash Bananas in PJ
	Lace up – Bananas in PJ
	Masks - Banana in PJ
	Playdough
	Colouring in - Bananas in PJ
10:45 – 11:00	Story book
11:00 – 11:15	Shared Morning Tea- Bananas etc



Week 10 – 15th September

TIME	ACTIVITY & THEME – Games-Sports
9:15 - 9:30	Reading corner/Jigsaw puzzles
9:30 – 10:45	Ten-pin bowling
	Ball games/Obstacle Course
	Playdough
	Sports colouring in
10:45 – 11:00	Story book
11:00 – 11:15	Morning Tea - Picnic

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LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week 22nd – 26th 2016

All our students enjoyed the activities throughout the Book Week. Our theme was “Story Country.” Our stories come from all over, from our own indigenous people: paint art and their dream time, from migrants and refugees who have come to live here, from books, movies and orally transmitted such as plays and theatre productions. And of course around our Aussie campfire. Your children have experienced story telling around the camp fire and enjoyed some marshmallows. Below are some fantastic pictures of us all.



Other Library News

As you know it is Week 9 already, this will be the last week of borrowing through our library. Students please ensure you return all library books back on Week 10, last week of Term 3. Parents if I could ask, that you ensure Prep /Yr 1 students have their library books returned for Week 10 too.

We have had a fabulous Term 3 in the library, your children have experienced the rewards from the buddy reading, one-on-one reading and class reading, and it shows in their writing. Please enjoy the Students' Story Wall, Mrs West and I have put up for all parents to read.

Experience the JOY with your children through Reading.

Many Thanks Mrs Collins

BEHAVIOUR

GOLD

Prep / Year 1: Lily-Rose Brigg, Mikayla Furness, Rylee Godfrey, Daan Greenhalgh, Holly Jones, Lucas Laidlaw, Charlotte Macdonald, Harlan Rook, Anna-Bell Schunemann, Ruby Bell, Jensen Ditroi, Jordan-Lee Furness, Rhys Mackenzie, Riley Milliner

Year 2 / 3: Cooper Hill, Wayne Jones, Raina Rook, Shae Smith, Sanne Greenhalgh, Kayla Ware.

Year 4 / 5 / 6: Brianna Hill, Jessie Neale, Logan Smith, Bindy Brannock, Lachlan Macdonald, Sam Crichton, Caige Dahler, Loretta Mackenzie, Eowyn Underhill-Mackenzie

SILVER

Prep / Year 1: Marcus Rodgers

Year 2 / 3: Lacey Harris, Alex Macdonald, Hayli Osborne, Jaiden Ditroi, Cruz Lawrie, Matthew Maloney, Christopher Olive

Year 4 / 5 / 6: Lincoln Newman, Bryce Leddy, Charlie Neale

GREEN

Year 2 / 3: Jonothan Maloney, Sahara McCasey, Jayden Nicholson,

Year 4 / 5 / 6: Jackson Daniels, Logan Nicholson, Madison Sander, Phoebe Sander.

WEEK 7 AWARDS:

GOTCHAS - Prep/ Year 1 Harlan Rook
Year 2/3 Raina Rook
Year 4/5/6 Jessie Neale

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD Prep / Year 1 Riley Milliner
Year 2/3 Sanne Greenhalgh
Year 4/5/6 Charlie Neale

ABOVE AND BEYOND: Madison Sander (helper)
Phoebe Sander (helper)

ATTENDANCE Whole School Average 92.8%

BOOKWORK Prep/ Year 1 Harlan Rook, Rylee Godfrey
Year 2/3 Alex Macdonald, Noah West, Joel Vidler, Jayden Nicholson, Cruz Lawrie, Jaiden Ditroi

WEEK 8 AWARDS:

GOTCHAS - Prep/ Year 1 Jordan-Lee Furness
Year 2/3 Sanne Greenhalgh
Year 4/5/6 Madison Sander

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD Year 2/3 Hayli Osborne

BOOKWORK

Prep/ Year 1 Charlotte Macdonald,
Jordan-Less Furness
Year 2/3 Shae Smith, Hayli Osborne,
Sahara McCasey, Jayden Nicholson,
Jaiden Ditroi, Matthew Maloney
Year 4/5/6 Lachlan Macdonald, Logan Smith,
Sam Crichton

CAUGHT AT THEIR BEST: Cooper Hill

ATTENDANCE

Prep	94%
Year 1	100% 😊
Year 2	91%
Year 3	100% 😊
Year 4	100% 😊
Year 5	76%
Year 6	92.5%
Whole School	93%



KEEPING SAFE AFTER A CAR ACCIDENT

Dear Parents and Guardians.

This term at school your child has been learning about electricity and electrical safety through our Safety Heroes program. You can find out more about the program at ergon.com.au/safetyheroes or energenx.com.au/safetyheroes

READ THESE TIPS TO KEEP YOU AND YOUR FAMILY SAFE IF YOU'RE INVOLVED IN A CAR ACCIDENT. KNOWING WHAT TO DO COULD SAVE A LIFE.



AFTER AN ACCIDENT:

- Don't panic, try to remain calm.
- Treat all powerlines and other electrical equipment as if they are 'live'.
- Stay in the car until the power has been isolated and the powerlines removed.
- Don't risk being electrocuted by attempting to leave the car before power is disconnected.
- Warn bystanders to stay a minimum of 10 metres from the car and anything else in contact with powerlines at the accident site.
- Don't attempt to rescue or allow others to approach the car in contact with powerlines. All too often secondary injuries or deaths occur because of others trying to help.
- Call Triple Zero (000) immediately to report powerlines down and a life threatening situation.

More safety information available at:



ergon.com.au



energenx.com.au

Car accidents can bring down overhead powerlines or cause damage to electrical equipment at ground level. If you are involved in an accident or come across one, it is important to remember that the car and anything else, such as fences and trees, in contact with powerlines, could be 'live'.

REMEMBER, IF A CAR ACCIDENT BRINGS DOWN POWERLINES, NEVER APPROACH THE CAR TO ASSIST. ALWAYS TREAT ALL FALLEN POWERLINES AS IF THEY ARE 'LIVE'.

WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CAR BRINGS DOWN POWERLINES?

After an accident has brought down powerlines, the SAFEST place to be is INSIDE the car.

An emergency evacuation is extremely dangerous and should only be attempted if it is absolutely necessary, such as the car is on fire.

If you must escape from the car, follow these steps:



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KEEPING SAFE IN FLOODS

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READ THESE TIPS TO KEEP YOU AND YOUR FAMILY SAFE IN FLOODS.

PREPARING BEFORE A FLOOD:

- If you're in a flood prone location, consider relocating your switchboard and any wiring in your home that may be below previous flood levels.
- Where possible, move any electrical equipment to higher ground.
- Turn off and unplug any electrical appliances that may become inundated with water.

DURING A FLOOD:

- If moving around your area in boats, be aware of reduced powerline height clearances as flood waters will make you closer to the powerlines and power poles can also move from the force of flood waters.
- Warn children not to swim in flood waters.

AFTER A FLOOD:

- Unplug all electrical appliances affected by water and have them inspected by a licensed electrical contractor before use.
- Have a licensed electrical contractor check or isolate any parts of your electrical installation that have been affected by water - especially if the switchboard has been submerged or if your safety switch has tripped.
- Do not operate electrical appliances or switches while standing in water or bare feet.
- Take extra care around your switchboard. If it's outdoors, wear synthetic or rubber soled shoes. If you are in any doubt about your switchboard's safety, stay clear and call your licensed electrical contractor.



More safety information available at:



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Safety Heroes is an educational program delivered by Ergon Energy and Energenx that helps teach primary school students how electricity works and how to behave safely around electricity and electrical equipment. In 2016, the program will be held in Queensland primary schools during Electricity Safety Week - **5 to 9 September 2016**.

A safety reminder from Ergon Energy: Look Up and Live when working around your yard! Know where the powerlines are on your property and be aware when moving equipment like ladders and poles so that you do not come in contact with overhead powerlines.

More electrical safety information available at ergon.com.au/safety

Student Council Father's Day Prize Winners

Drawn 01/09/2016

1st \$200 Holiday Voucher For Ashmore Palm Holiday Village on the Gold Coast, central to all the theme parks.— Wayne Jones

2nd \$50 Holiday Voucher For Ashmore Palm Holiday Village on the Gold Coast, Central to all the theme parks. — Holly Jones

3rd \$50 Holiday Voucher For Ashmore Palm Holiday Village on the Gold Coast, Central to all the theme parks. — Julie Baxter

4th iPhone 5/ iPod touch Docking Station—Wayne Jones

5th Box of Celebrations Chocolate—Connie Jackson

6th Box of Favourites Chocolate—Sally Cross

7th Mini Football—Anna-Bell Schunemann

Congratulations to all winners and thank you to everyone who supported our raffle.



Gracemere Cricket Club

Junior Cricket Teams

SIGN ON DATES

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 2nd & 9th - 3.30pm to 5.00pm

GRACEMERE SPORTS CLUB, Armstrong St Gracemere

(off Old Capricorn Highway .)

MILO Cricket - 6 to 8 years (Thursday Afternoon)

T20 Blast - 8 to 9 years (Friday Night - Rockhampton)


Under 12, 14 & 16 Fixtures (Saturdays - Rockhampton)


\$200 - Season Fees (October to March)

(Includes Playing Shirt & Hat, Registration, Insurance & Balls Fees)

For more information, Find us on Facebook or contact

Tony Newman 0418 291 862 or tony.newman@merial.com

FRIDAY 9 th September 2016 RED ROOSTER DAY		
Orders must be in by 9am WEDNESDAY 7 th Sept		
NAME:	Year Level	
	Chicken Cheese Burger Chips Popper / Water / Milk	\$6.50
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	 Total	

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September 2016



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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1 Father's Day Stall \$5/gift	2 Footy Colours Oz Tag	3	4 <i>Week 8</i>
PARADE 11:45-12	6 Newsletter	7	8	9 Red Rooster Tuckshop	10	11 <i>Week 9</i>
2 PARADE 11:45-12	13	14	15	16 Last Day of Term	17	18 <i>Week 10</i>
19	20	21	School Review		24	25
26	27	28	School Holidays		30	

October 2016



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2
3 Public Holiday	4	5 Camp Yr 5&6	6 Camp Yr 5&6	7 Camp Yr 5&6	8	9 Week 1
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Week 2
17 Student FREE	18	19	20	21 Loud Shirt	22	23 Week 3
24	25	26	27	28 Day for Daniel	29	30 Week 4
31						