



# PORT CURTIS ROAD COURIER

A fortnightly communication between home and the school community

PRINCIPAL: Mrs Julianne Emmert

Term 3 Week 9 - 8th September 2015

VALUE: Every child matters every day!

## From the Principal

Families and Friends of the Port Curtis Road State School Community

This is our last newsletter for this term. School breaks up next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September and resumes Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October due to the Labour Day Holiday on 5<sup>th</sup> October.

### Swimming

Next term we are looking at organising swimming lessons for all students from Prep to Year 6 at the Gracemere Swimming Pool. We are waiting for confirmation from a sporting grant which will assist with some of the costs. This will enable us to reduce the cost next term to \$4 per child per week. Transport is our biggest cost and the bus will need to make two return trips per day. Regardless of how many students are on the bus the cost remains the same and therefore it is very important that all students pay each week. The students will be getting an hour swimming lesson plus transport for \$4 which is extremely cheap. We appreciate your support.

Over the school holidays can you please have swimming togs, swim shirt and towel in their swimming bag with all items named, ready for the first Friday of next term? All students are required to wear a swimming cap which can be purchased from the office.

### Student Council

Thanks very much for all your support! Funds raised are listed below:

Daffodil Day	\$156.00
Jeans for Genes Day	\$ 79.00
Footy Colours	\$ 65.00

Week 2 of next term, we will be supporting 'Loud Shirt Day', Friday 16 October by way of a gold coin donation.

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

### Dates to Remember 2015

- Term 1**  
27 January – 2 April
- Term 2**  
20 April – 26 June  
**Public Holidays**  
Anzac Day 25 April  
Queen's Birthday 8 June  
Show Day 11 June
- Term 3**  
13 July – 18 September
- Term 4**  
6 October – 11 December

### P & C Association

**NEXT MEETING**  
15th September 2015  
at 8.15am

Please come along!

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



### REMINDERS

#### SPELL-A-THON

Please return your monies by Monday 14th Sept

#### EARN AND LEARN

All stickers to be received by Tuesday 15th Sept

#### PLAYGROUP

Thursday 9–11am

#### TUCKSHOP

Please have orders placed in Tuckshop Box by 9am Thursday morning. Orders to be written on brown paper bag.



Miss Ingrey and the students have been busy getting ready for the Betascapes Gardening Competition which will be judged during the first week back after the school holidays. The grounds look beautiful and Miss Ingrey has already picked some fresh snow peas. Well done.

### Father's Day Woodwork Activity



I would like to thank staff for all their assistance with helping the students complete their Father's Day gift. A lot of creativity, skill, patience and time went into making this and the students and staff were very proud of their finished product.

### New Garden Shed

Work commenced yesterday on our new Garden Shed which will be located behind our existing shed. The new shed will be used to house our mower and gardening equipment and the student's will be able to use the old shed to store sporting equipment.

### P & C News

Meeting next Tuesday 8.15am in the library. We will be talking about the possibility of phasing in a uniform (shirt) for the students starting next year.

**Father's Day Raffle** was drawn on Thursday 3rd September and prize winners are as follows:

1st Prize	—Sam Crichton	Spare Wheel Cover donated by Mavericks
2nd Prize	—Jackson Daniels	Astorall Quick Clean Pack
	- Raina Rook	Purina Supercoat Lunch Bag cooler and dog food
	- Caige Dahler	Spanner Set
	- Bindy Brannock	Purina Football and novelty tie
	- Amy Ditroi	32 piece Double Screwdriver set
	- Connie Jackson	Photo Frame and novelty tie
	- Caige Dahler	Car Wash and sponge set

Thank you to everyone for their support.

### Cricket

Rion from Queensland Cricket came last week to teach the students how to play cricket and which techniques to use when bowling and batting. Each class received a 40 min lesson and he will return next Thursday 17th September.

### Gold Level

Students on Gold will be rewarded next week with a special lunch on Friday 18th September. Gold students will need to bring food for second lunch.

### Rockhampton State High School Visit

Last week Staff and a few past students came to visit our senior class to talk to them about what high school life will be like next year. Issues covered were routines and procedures when moving from class to class, how are the classes formed, what subjects will be on offer etc. It is important that all students in Year 6 have been in touch with their high school of choice and have completed an enrolment form by now. The high schools are organising teachers and resources for next year.

Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers have come to an end when shopping. If you have any more stickers at home to hand in please have them sent into school by Tuesday 15th September so that we can organise our returns.

Spell-a-thon—Students will be participating in the Spell-a-thon this week. All funds received or collected from sponsors need to be returned to the school by Monday 14th September.

Have a great week!

Take Care

Julianne Emmert, Principal

## BEHAVIOUR LEVELS

**P1:** Ruby Bell, Jordan-Lee Furness, Lacey Harris, Wayne Jones, Alex Macdonald, Jonathan Maloney, Sahara McCassey, Jayden Nicholson, Raina Rook, Kody-Greg Steer, Cooper Hill, Shae Smith, Noah West, Hayli Osborne

**234:** Sanne Greenhalgh, Christopher Olive, Jessie Neale, Brianna Hill, Logan Smith, Lachlan Macdonald, Logan Nicholson

**56:** Caige Dahler, Charlie Neale, Eowyn Underhill-Mackenzie, Kyle Bunn, Shyann Daniels, Georgia Horspool, Jorja Smith, Hayden Hill

**P1:** Evelyn Levy, Rhys Mackenzie, Riley Milliner, Jensen Ditroi, Dante Grealy

**234:** Darlene Ruff, Jaiden Ditroi, Bindy Brannock, Bryce Leddy

**56:** Sam Crichton, Shaniquwa Kelly-Farr, Loretta Mackenzie, Phoebe Sander, Michael Baxter, Abbie-Rose Carroll-McMahon, Courtney Leddy, Reagan McGlinchy, Savannah Sanderson

**P1:** Joseph Rodgers, Joel Vidler, Tamika Doherty

**234:** Matthew Maloney, Kayden Smith, Eliza Grealy, Matilda Doherty, Jackson Daniels, Zi Farr, Blake Mackenzie, Ben Smith, Jack Rodgers, Tayleah Daniel, Geneva Smith, Logan Dingwall

**56:** Madison Sander, Hayley Rodgers

### WEEKLY AWARDS for Week 7

#### BOOKWORK AWARDS

**Prep / 1:** Tamika Doherty, Dante Grealy

**2 / 3 / 4:** Christopher Olive

**5 / 6:** Savannah Sanderson, Courtney Leddy, Shaniquwa Kelly-Farr, Charlie Neale, Madison Sander

#### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

**Prep / 1:** Lacey Harris

**2 / 3 / 4:** Bindy Brannock, Jessie Neale

#### ATTENDANCE for Week 5

**Prep:** 100.0%

**Year 5:** 100.0%

**Whole School:** 92.3%

### WEEKLY AWARDS for Week 8

#### GOTCHA AWARDS

*(Students with highest number of Gotchas)*

**Prep / 1:** Jonathan Maloney

**2 / 3 / 4:** Jack Rodgers

**5 / 6:** Madison Sander

*(Students names drawn from Gotcha bucket)*

**Prep / 1:** Dante Grealy

**2 / 3 / 4:** Jessie Neale

**5 / 6:** Georgia Horspool

#### BOOKWORK AWARDS

**Prep / 1:** Hayli Osborne, Noah West, Wayne Jones

**5 / 6:** Georgia Horspool, Shaniquwa Kelly-Farr, Shyann Daniels

#### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

**2 / 3 / 4:** Jessie Neale

**5 / 6:** Hayley Rodgers

### News from Years 2/3/4 Classroom

Students are busy trying to put plants and flowers into all the gardens for the garden competition. Myself and Viv, our groundsman on a Tuesday, have been busy trying to mulch all the gardens and fix the irrigation system. A huge thank you to Tania Brannock, Robert Greenhalgh, Coral Eagles and Julie Baxter for donating plants to our gardens. A huge thank to Rhonda Fletcher for watering all the gardens to keep the plants alive while we try to get them mulched.

We have named some of the gardens: Sub-Tropical; Succulent; Aloe and Agave Apex; Sensory and Eating; Melon Patch, Pumpkin Patch; Remembrance Day Garden; Fruit Tree and Edibles Garden. If you have any plants spare that you could donate to our gardens, all plants would be greatly appreciated.

Homework is still an issue for a lot of the students. Students should be doing their homework every night and returning the completed work on a Friday. I send homework with students on a Monday and it has to be returned on a Friday. If your child is unable to complete their homework for that week, please send a note explaining why. I have had some students tell their *parent's that I do not give them homework*—not true. I always send a note home to parents if there is no homework for that week.

If your child is away because of illness or some other reason, could you please either send a note with your child when they return to school or contact the school.

It has been an extremely busy term with more sport as last week we had a cricket sport clinic; next term we have swimming.

The school holidays are quickly coming and I hope everyone has a great holiday break

Until next newsletter

Cheers

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### News from Years 5 / 6 Classroom

Here we are again, almost at the end of another term. The weeks seem to be disappearing before us! We have our Spell-a-thon this week to end our term of homework. Students are very excited for the Spell-a-thon that we will complete in class on Thursday.

The Year 5/6 students have transformed themselves into poets, producing some fantastic poems for their folio. They have been working hard to build up their descriptions to create imagery of their selected topics. We have looked at a variety of poem types, including acrostic, shape, octo-poem and alphabet-alliteration. A favourite was the alphabet alliteration poems, with students letting their imagination take over.

Students are continuing to work on their brochures for science. We have been brushing up on our computer and typing skills. Students have also been practising their reading and comprehension skills. Just a reminder that these are due next week.

With holidays just around the corner we are continuing to work hard and improve our stamina in writing and across all learning areas. I hope everyone has a safe and happy *break, but don't forget to practise those time tables!*

Regards

Rebekah Shearman

### PLAYGROUP

#### WEEK 9 - 10<sup>th</sup> September



TIME	ACTIVITY & THEME - Toy Pet Parade
9:15 - 9:30	Reading corner/Jigsaw puzzles
9:30 - 10:45	Toy Pet Parade - Favourite toy
	Paper chains for leads for toys
	Farm animal play
	Animal shape fairy bread Icing arrowroot biscuits
10:45 - 11:00	Story book
11:00 - 11:15	Morning Tea - Toy Pet Parade Party



#### Week 10 - 17<sup>th</sup> September

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

