



PORT CURTIS ROAD COURIER

A fortnightly communication between home and the school community

PRINCIPAL: Mrs Julianne Emmert

Term 2 Week 12th– 26th April

VALUE: Every child matters every day!

From the Principal

Families and Friends of the Port Curtis Road State School Community

Welcome back to Term 2

I hope you all Term 2 (11 weeks) will be very busy with Mother's Day, Naplan, Sports Day, Rockhampton & Ridgeland's Show and Report Cards.

It is great to see everyone has settled back into their classroom and routines and rules have been outlined so all students are aware of the consequences.

We will continue with our Focus area – Writing this term. It is amazing to see how much the student's writing has improved and how passionate they are about writing. That is thanks to our wonderful teachers and aides who have done a great job engaging students to participate. Mrs Graham will be visiting our school next Monday to have a look at student performance and data. Mrs Graham enjoys actively participating and having discussions with students about their writing.

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

Dates to Remember 2016

Term 2
11 April–24 June
20th

Public Holidays
Anzac Day–25 April
Labour Day–2 May
Show Holiday–16 June

Term 3
11 July–16 September

Term 4
4 October - 9 December
Student Free Day–17 October

P & C Association

NEXT MEETING -
Wednesday 20th April
8.45am in the library.

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



FACE BOOK

We have set up a Facebook page for our school to keep parents up to date with what is happening at school. If you search Port Curtis Road State School in the Facebook Search field you will find our page, if you wish to join the page you will need to like the page. This webpage is for celebrating our success and informing parents of events that are occurring in our school, eg., tuckshop, playgroup special parades or need to bring raffle tickets back etc. This is not a forum for negative comments. We have 3 admins for this site and it will be closely monitored. If anyone is not abiding by the rules they won't be permitted to enter the webpage. This is a place we can promote our school and let everyone know how wonderful it is.

Parents will need to sign permission forms before any photos can be uploaded onto the website. When Deb returns on 26th April forms will be sent home.



ANZAC DAY PRESENTATION

Next Friday 23rd April 10.30am Mrs Collins and the senior students will be conducting a half hour service in the library. Parents, carers and friends are invited to attend.

ANZAC DAY MARCH – MONDAY 25 APRIL

Please see below a map of where we will start and finish. This year it is a short pathway due to the upgrade of Quay Street. We will be lining up in Alma Street behind Target and we will be between Frenchville and Lakes Creek School. We will follow Archer Street to Victoria Parade and then turn into East Street which we will follow until William Street and finally to City Hall in Bolsover Street. Can you please let the office know if your child will be attending?
Thanks

Students will need sunscreen, hat and a water bottle. Marshalling point has not changed and the March concludes at City Hall where a civic service will be held. Please note parents are to collect their child at City Hall before the civic service commences. It will be up to individual families if they would like to stay for the service or not.

REMINDERS

PLAYGROUP
Playgroup for 2016
Each Thursday
9am–11am

TUCKSHOP
NO TUCKSHOPT THIS
WEEK
Tuckshop will commence
Friday 22nd April 2016

Please write orders on a paper bag and leave in Tuckshop box by the 9am Thursday prior to Tuckshop.

Please advise the office if you are able to assist with Tuckshop preparation.

Queensland Ambulance Service
Queensland Fire & Rescue Service
Queensland Police Service
Australian Red Cross
Queensland Coast Guard
Central Queensland University Student Paramedics
Frenchville Primary School
Port Curtis Primary School
Lakes Creek Primary School
Heights College
Lighthouse Christian College



NO TUCKSHOP THIS WEEK – A new menu will be sent home and it will commence next Friday.



BREAKFAST CLUB HELPERS

We are desperately looking for some helpers for every Monday and Friday. Staff have been trying to manage Breakfast Club and playground this week while Mrs Blank has been sick. This has been difficult for our staff and if we do not manage to find any extra helpers we will have to close Breakfast club Mondays and Fridays.

P & C Meeting – Wednesday 20th April 8.45am in the library.

Senior Shirts

We have some spare senior shirts if any seniors would like purchase another one - \$35.

Mother's Day Stall

The Student Council will be holding a stall Thursday 5th May at the school. Students who would like to purchase their mum a gift will need to bring \$5 each.

Take Care

Julianne Emmert, Principal

News from Year 2/3.

Welcome back to term 2. I hope everyone had a safe and relaxing Easter break. Another busy term is ahead of us being an 11 week term. In week 5, students in year 3 and year 5 will be sitting the annual NAPLAN tests. We have been busy preparing for the NAPLAN tests. This term students will be focusing on persuasive writing genre using the "7 Steps to Writing Success". This week my class have been challenged to convince me to either have homework next week/not to have hard homework – just fun activities... it will be interesting to see the writing results.

Homework of course was handed out to all students this week. If your child didn't receive week one homework, please let me know. Homework is always glued into student books and handed out on a Monday-this is why it is important for students to return their homework book on a Friday. Homework is kept in a box in the classroom and students know where to return/collect their homework from this box. It is each and every child's responsibility to select their own reading book. I do not select home readers for students. Students can either borrow books from the classroom or use books that they may have already at home.

ANZAC Day is coming up next week and this year we will be honouring another past student who fought in World War One but was killed in action-2nd Lieutenant Albert Tiegs. I hope that everyone will be able to attend the school ceremony next Friday. I also hope to see you all at the community march on the 25th April.

Until the next newsletter...

Cheers,

Irene.

Student: Logan D

Assessment: The Twits New Chapter

Subject: Literacy

Grade: 4/5/6

The car gets dirty



Mr Twit is washing his brand new shiny gold car. While Mrs Twit is secretly hidden amongst the darkness in the car port. She spots Mr Twit buffing his shiny gold car.

Mrs Twit grabs a bucket of sloppy, mouldy and maggoty green mud with wet mouldy socks that had been there for about one week. She also grabs a realistic looking snake.

Mrs Twit creeps out of the darkness without Mr Twit seeing her. She tips the yucky mud into the shiny gold car. Mrs Twit creeps back into the darkness without MrTwit knowing.

Mr Twit starts to smell a funky stench. He turns around to see the mud oozing out of the car door. Mr Twit hasn't quite realised what's inside.

He opens the car door with his shiny gold handle. The snake slides out wrapping its tail around his foot. Mr Twit panics, with his heart beating like a v8-super car. He sprints down the paddock and as he turns around furiously he notices Mrs Twit laughing her head off.

Show your support for students with autism in April

Do you know that there are more than 12,000 students with autism enrolled in Queensland state schools? April is Autism Awareness Month and our school is committed to working with families and services to support students with autism and ensure that they get the best possible start in life.

This year the Queensland Government launched Australia's first Autism Hub to provide students with autism, their families and schools across the state with more support.

Located in Brisbane, the \$2 million centre offers expert advice, training and resources to parents, educators and health professionals. Seven regional autism coaches have also been appointed, ensuring professional support is available statewide.

For more information visit www.education.qld.gov.au/autismhub

More information regarding Autism Awareness Month will be in our next issue of Porty's Power of Positive Thinking.

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