



PORT CURTIS ROAD COURIER

A fortnightly communication between home and the school community

PRINCIPAL: Mrs Julianne Emmert

Term 2 Week 5 - 20 May 2014

VALUE : *Every child matters every day!*

From the Principal

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

Dates to Remember 2014

Term 1
28 January – 4 April

Term 2
22 April – 27 June

Public Holidays
Anzac Day 25 April
Show Day 6 June
Queen's Birthday 9 June

Term 3
14 July – 19 September

Term 4
6 October – 12 December

Family and Friends of the Port Curtis Road State School Community

Well done to Staff and Students – NAPLAN Testing

I am very proud of how well the students strived to do their best last week, during our NAPLAN testing. Each day the students arrived motivated and keen to participate. Schools and parents will be notified of the results during the last week of Term 3.

I would like to thank the P & C for volunteering your time serving breakfast last week. It has proven successful and we will continue daily breakfasts this week.

Work Place Health and Safety Audit

Last Friday, we had a WPH&S Audit and I am very pleased to say that the auditor was very impressed with our school processes and with staff responses. The auditor also commented on how lovely our school grounds looked. Well Done!!!!

Behaviour Audit

During Term 3 our school will be undergoing a Behaviour Audit which is conducted in a very similar way to our Teaching and Learning Audit 2012. All schools throughout Queensland are required to be audited and many schools have already completed theirs.

Parents from the P & C, Staff and students will be questioned to ensure the whole school community is aware of the processes we have in place at Port Curtis Road State School.

I would like to thank John Collins for his many hours of hard work in preparing a Whole School Behaviour Program which incorporates the following values. Teachers will begin implementing "Play the Game" over the next few weeks.

Play the Game
Commitment
Respect

P & C Association Next Meeting

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



REMINDERS

Staff Meeting
Friday 23 May - 8am-9am

Friday Sport
For Years 5, 6 and 7
\$7 per student

Snack Shack
Wednesday after school
Order forms attached.

Playgroup
Thursdays
9.30am to 11.30am

Tuckshop—Each Friday
Order forms attached

How we
Play the Game
at PCRSS

- Caring
- Confidence
- Co-operation
- Determination
- Doing your best
- Fairness
- Pride

More information will be provided in future newsletters.

XO's Professional Development

Today from 9 – 12am all staff including teacher aides will be attending Professional Development at Berserker State School on how to use our XO's. An XO is very similar to a mini laptop and we are purchasing enough for one per child throughout the school. All XO's remain the property of the school and students will not be permitted to take them home. Our students will be able to access their own computer at any time of the day. This great little computer can do many functions as listed: It has a video camera, camera, microphone, it can be a tablet or a touch screen, you can download books onto it, you can share work collaboratively at the same time with

other users within the school, project chat room, Wikipedia, calculator, stopwatch, paint, graphing, journals and it has lots of literacy and numeracy games. We can load our software onto it such as reading eggs, Magic 100 words etc. There are lots of possibilities which will benefit the students and teachers can use this tool as a whole class activity.

Principal Conference

Next week I will be away at a Principal Conference 26th May – 29th May 2014. All Principals in this region are required to attend. John Collins will be Acting Principal and I will be in touch with the school daily.

I hope you have a great week

Take Care
Julianne Emmert
Principal

Values Education at Port Curtis Road State School

The term '*values education*' refers to the education of children about the values which are set forth as being a solid standard for living one's life. Values are basically the principles and fundamental convictions which act as general guides to behaviour, the standards by which particular actions are judged to be good, worthwhile or desirable.

They are the ideals that give significance to our lives, they are reflected through the priorities we choose and that which we act on consistently and repeatedly.

Here at Port Curtis Road State School our Values Education is centred on our motto of "*Play the Game*", aligned to *Commitment* and enacted upon through *Respect*.

Play the Game

Commitment

Respect



Through *Playing the Game* students are encouraged to show care towards others, to grow in confidence, to co-operate, to build determination, to demonstrate fairness in their endeavours and interactions, to display pride in that which they do and at all times to do their very best.

Commitment is achieved through developing students' ability to demonstrate patience, to display perseverance, to act independently, to be steadfast and resolute in their beliefs and actions, to demonstrate enthusiasm and above all to strive towards excellence.

Respect is encouraged through actively promoting loyalty, a sense of responsibility, trustworthiness, honesty, thoughtfulness and tolerance.

These are the values which we hold true at Port Curtis Road State School.

BEHAVIOUR LEVELS

P12: Sanne Greenhalgh, Christopher Olive, Mackenzie Bailey, Jessie Neale, Raina Rook,
34: Bindy Brannock, Bradly Fehlhaber, Lachlan Macdonald, Klay Mendham, Charlie Neale,
 Eowyn Underhill-Mackenzie
567: Georgia Horspool, Michael Baxter, Jorja Smith, Emily Fehlhaber, Isaac Horspool.

P12: Jonothan Maloney, Madeline Bailey, Lacey Harris, Wayne Jones, Cameron Martin, Katie Adams,
 Barbara Adams, Ella Platt, Alex Winter
34: Shy-ann Daniels, Sam Crichton, Bryce Leddy, Peter Maloney, Madison Sander, Phoebe Sander
567: Courtney Leddy, Reagan McGlinchy, Savannah Sanderson

P12: Alex Macdonald, Riley Passman, Joel Vidler, Matthew Maloney, Jackson Daniels, Jacob Samuels,
 Zaide McMahon, Jai Ireland, Zakayah McMahon
34: Tayleah Daniel, Zaylah McMahon
567: Joshua Maloney, Matthew Broadfoot, Sam Gray, William Neale, Maheya Ireland, Kenny Cockerell,
 Solomon Dutton-Clarke, Ethan Haughton, Leyton Wood

BOOKWORK AWARDS

WEEK 4

3 4: Tayleah Daniels
 Bindy Brannock
567: Kenny Cockerell
 Ethan Haughton, Joshua Maloney
 Courtney Leddy

WEEK 5

Prep 1 2: Christopher Olive
 Alex Winter
3 4: Eowyn Underhill-Mackenzie
5 6 7 : Courtney Leddy
 Shyann Daniels

GOTCHA AWARDS

WEEK 4

Prep 1 2: Jessie Neale,
 Sanne Greenhalgh
3 4: Rhys Wood
 Eowyn Underhill-Mackenzie
567: Shyann Daniels, Kenny Cockerell

WEEK 5

Prep 1 2: Barbara Adams,
 Raina Rook
3 4: Sam Crichton,
 Bryce Leddy
567: Jorja Smith, Emily Fehlhaber

LIBRARY AWARD

WEEK 5

3 4: Madison Sander

From Year 3 4 Classroom

NAPLAN for the year 3's is over now. Well done to all the year 3's who put in a great deal of effort in the run-up to NAPLAN. We will be continuing Literacy Café, Reading Steps and Writing Steps and our literacy warm ups. We have started learning times tables during maths and still continue to do Maths Café and Maths Warm ups.

Each Friday afternoon we have been practicing ball games in readiness for Sports Day. The student's skills are developing nicely with great team spirit coming to the fore.

As the year progresses a number of students are experiencing 'growth' spurts and are munching through the food in their lunch boxes during first break and have nothing left for the second break snack; and are complaining of being hungry. I have encouraged all parents to pack more food/snacks in their child's lunch box during this 'growth spurt' period.

Home work is handed out on a Monday and is to be returned on a Friday. I have noticed a number of students who haven't been returning their homework regularly. Homework each week is very simple:

1. Reading every night
2. Learning and writing down spelling words every night.
3. Learning and writing down a set of times tables or basic facts every night. *The homework booklet is optional.*

I encourage all students to be consistently returning their homework on a Friday. If homework is finished before Friday, please feel free to hand in homework earlier than Friday. I realise that families have busy home lives so if you have any concerns or questions about homework, please free to get in contact. If your child has been unable to complete their weekly tasks, please just write a short note for me to let me know that homework wasn't able to be completed.

Until next time

Cheers

Irene

Kindy Roadshow in Central Queensland

Jay Laga'aia and the Kindy counts! Team are heading to Central Queensland to share the benefits of kindy. The 'Say g'day to Jay' Kindy Roadshow kicks off in Rockhampton on Monday 2 June 2014 and will continue on to Blackwater, Emerald, Barcaldine and Longreach over the week. Jay will be presenting free music concerts in each town.

Find out more at the [Kindy counts! events page.](http://deta.qld.gov.au/earlychildhood/families/kindy/kindyfun/events.html)

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PLAYGROUP

Under 8's Week 19th – 23rd May

WEEK 5 – 22nd May

TIME	ACTIVITY & THEME – Bears-Biggest Morning Tea
9:00 - 9:30	Reading Corner & Sorting bears
9:30 – 10:45	Rhyme: Around the Garden
	Chalk drawing– flowers, garden
	Icing Tiny Teddy's biscuits
	Craft – Teddy Bear
10:45 – 11:00	Craft – Teapot
	Big Books
11:00 – 11:15	Morning Tea- Teddy Bears Picnic "Biggest Morning Tea"



Week 6 - 29th May

TIME	ACTIVITY & THEME – Old MacDonald had a Farm
9:15 - 9:30	Reading Corner/ Puzzles
9.30 – 10.45	Group Poster – farm animal
	Make an animal book - rubbings
	Craft – egg carton farm animals
	Creative play – farm animals
	Sorting activity
10:45 – 11:00	Big Books
11:00 – 11:15	Shared Morning Tea



Student Council is hosting and inviting parents and friends to the

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

When: Thursday 29th May

Time 11am

Where Porty Playgroup

Cost: \$2 (Cake and drink)

Raffle \$1

**“Raise Your Cup
Together We'll Beat Cancer “**

LIBRARY NEWS

Last week was a big week of NAPLAN, with the Library unavailable for the week. We are back to normal this week.

BOOK FAIR: May 26th – 28th is our Book Fair and the Theme will be “Reading Oasis”. There will be a “Dress Up Day” that week, some eg: Egyptian Pharaohs, Tutankhamun, mummies, slaves, noble women and noble men. So put your thinking caps on and start organising your outfit.

BOOK CLUB orders should be back this week and will sent home with your child.

Homework Club – Thursday and Friday 8.30am - 9.00am

Library Lunchtimes - Monday – Thursday, first break ONLY

Library Lessons – Wednesday – Prep/1/2, Thursday – Year 3/4 and Friday 5/6/7 after Sports.

May is the National Family Reading Month. Scholastic is giving away over \$10,000 worth of prizes to the families, classrooms and schools that read the most in May.
See Flyer Attached

Enjoy your reading!
Mrs Cherrie Collins

HOW YOUR CUP COUNTS

\$5
Can help us give a newly diagnosed cancer patient important support and information resources for what's ahead.

\$10
Can help offer easy, practical tips on recipes and lunch box ideas that will encourage children to eat more fruit and veg reducing their cancer risk.

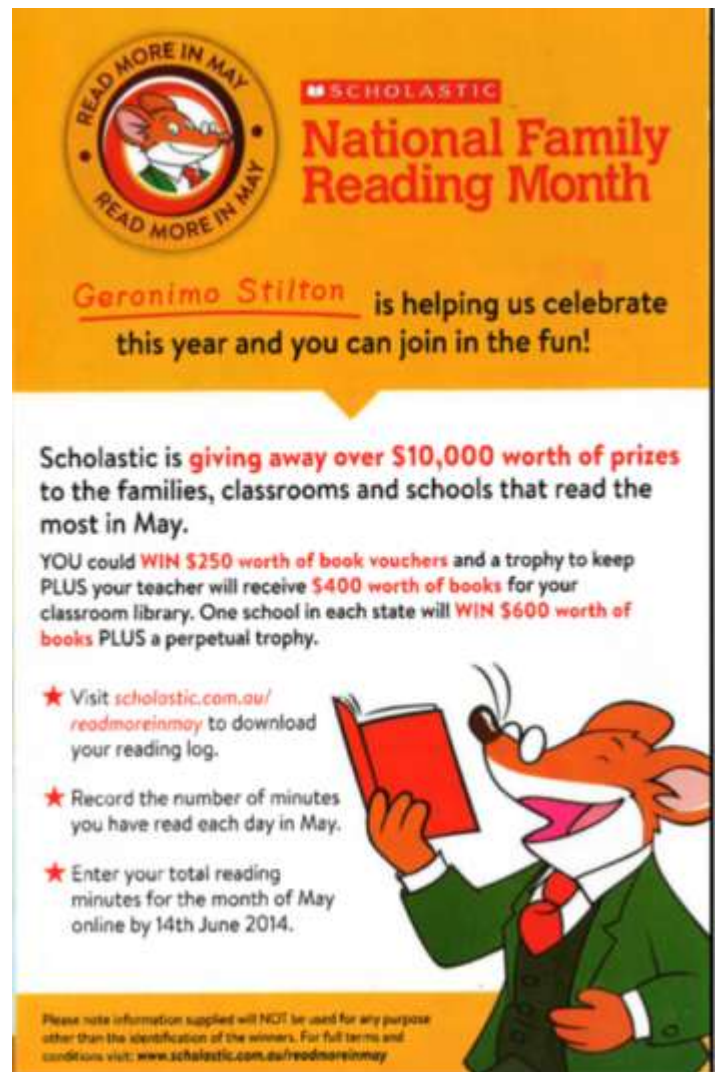
\$25
Can go towards resources to help GPs and health professionals advise their patients about cancer prevention, screening and diagnosis.

\$50
Can help the Cancer Council Helpline (13 11 20) provide free and confidential information and support on all aspects of cancer.

\$100
Can go towards helping a childcare centre or primary school join the National SunSmart Schools Program.

\$500
Can help fund ground-breaking research into new and better ways to prevent, diagnose and treat cancer.

Services may vary between states/territories.



READ MORE IN MAY
SCHOLASTIC
National Family Reading Month

Geronimo Stilton is helping us celebrate this year and you can join in the fun!

Scholastic is **giving away over \$10,000 worth of prizes** to the families, classrooms and schools that read the most in May.

YOU could **WIN \$250 worth of book vouchers** and a trophy to keep **PLUS** your teacher will receive **\$400 worth of books** for your classroom library. One school in each state will **WIN \$600 worth of books PLUS** a perpetual trophy.

- ★ Visit scholastic.com.au/readmoreinmay to download your reading log.
- ★ Record the number of minutes you have read each day in May.
- ★ Enter your total reading minutes for the month of May online by 14th June 2014.

Please note information supplied will NOT be used for any purpose other than the identification of the winners. For full terms and conditions visit: www.scholastic.com.au/readmoreinmay

GRACEMERE LITTLE ATHLETICS TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 24th May 2014

at the

Gracemere Community Service Hall
Barry Street, Gracemere
Entry—\$5

We will be having supper and a bar operating. For more information please call Tim on 0417 303 559 or Sue 4933 1980

P & C Day - 23rd May 2014

15 May 2014

Dear P&C Association:

The students from Prep to Year 2 would like to thank you for the things you do for our school.

We really appreciate your work like:

- Preparing tuckshop for us
- Making breakfast on special days
- Paying bus fares for sport and swimming and
- Raising money to help our school.

Thank you for helping us.

From

Preps, Years 1 and 2.



Today I am writing to tell you about the amazing things the Port Curtis Road Parents & Citizens Association does to help out. Things that they do consist of: paying for excursions and camp and a whole lot of other things.

Some of the lovely people in the P&C don't even have children in the school, they did but their children moved onto high school. They also come in on days off, to do whatever they can.

The work that the P&C does is amazing. Our school is very privileged to have the best P&C out of all the P&C's in the world! We love all the hard work you do for us all.

Isaac Horspool, Year 7

I am here today to thank the P&C for all of the nice things that they have done for us kids – like a school BBQ and the most important Naplan breakfast and also many other important things, like camp, so it is a bit cheaper. They help us have fun and they are always lending a hand. They cook nice meals and they also help us with Mother's Day and Father's Day and also Red Food Day.

In short our P&C is a wonderful part of our lives and always make us feel special. They can't help it; they are always the first to lend a hand. Thank you. *Ethan Haughton, Year 7*

The P&C do so much for us like setting up fun activities and support our sports each Friday. They also run tuckshop each week, have pie drives to raise money to help pay for camp – great places like Hervey Bay and The Caves. These reasons and many more are why our P&C are simply the best!

Leyton Wood, Year 7

P & C

Pop, bang, bam. You won't believe what happened when I bought up all of the chips in the tuckshop. It was amazing. I was so hungry. The P & C had to go and buy more chips...

I would like to thank the P & C for organising the yummy food. Thank you for organising events and activities for the school.

Thank you for helping charities and our school raising money for events such as Footy Colours Day, Bandana Day, Jeans for Genes Day, Free Dress Days, and Crazy Hair Day. The P & C are very important to our school.

Written by Eowyn.

Thank you P & C.

Sizzle, sizzle, sizzle. You won't believe what happened when I ate all of the lollies in the tuckshop and the tuckshop ran out of lollies to sell. It was a disaster...The P & C had to buy new lollies for the tuckshop. I want to thank the P & C. They always help out with things like Walk to School Day and activities for the school like Breakfast BBQ. They help charities like Jeans for Genes Day, Crazy Hair Days and free dress days to help raise money.

Written by Bindy.

Thank you P & C.

Crunch, crunch, crunch. You won't believe what happened when I had four pieces of toast for breakfast. It was as yummy as a cake. I want to thank the P & C for helping us for getting good things for us. I want to thank the P & C for getting good things for us. I want to thank the P & C for all the hard work for us. I thank the P & C for helping us.

Written by Bryce.

Thanks P & C.

Crunch, crunch, crunch. You won't believe what happened when I ate all of the tuckshop's food for lunch -they had to make more for the other students. I would like to thank the P&C for all the organising and making of yummy food for us. I want to thank the P&C for breakfast morning's like for when we did the NAPLAN test and for doing Tuckshop on a Friday, for helping raise money for charities like the Cancer Fund, for letting us have Snack Shack, for being nice to us, helpful, kind and always helping out.

Written by Sam.

Thank you P & C.

Yummy, yummy, yummy. You won't believe what happened when I went to the Tuckshop and bought all the chips from them. My tummy was full and the Tuckshop helpers couldn't believe their eyes! Thank you to the P&C for breakfast club and for making our Tuckshop on a Friday. Thank you for all your help.

Written by Phoebe.

Thank you P & C.

Crunch, slurp. You won't believe what happened when I ate and drank all the chips and soft drinks and chocolate. It was hysterical. I want to thank the P&C for all their hard work. I have several reasons for this point of view. They make tuckshop for everyone on a Friday. They make breakfast for people like on the NAPLAN test days. They buy bottles of cordial for icy cups. They do a BBQ for the school. If we didn't have the P&C we would not have anyone cook for us. what would we do if we didn't have a P&C?

Written by Bradly.

FRIDAY SPORT for 23 May 2014.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Alton Downs v Berserker St at McLeod Park @
12.45pm

SOCCER

Alton Downs v St Marys at Port Curtis Road SS @
1.35pm

NETBALL

Ridgелands v Allenstown on Court 2 Jardine Park @
1.50pm

RIDGELANDS SHOW

Starts 8:00 am

Saturday, 31st May 2014

Grand Parade & Opening 2:00 pm



Celebrating

32 Years

ADMISSION

Adults	\$6.00
Pensioners/Sec. Students	\$4.00
Primary School Children	Free

ALL COMPETITORS/EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO PAY ADMISSION

The Ridgелands & District Sporting & Agricultural Assoc. Inc.
P.O. Box 2046 Wandal 4700
ABN: 22 339 889 591

SNACK SHACK

NAME..... YR

Pre Orders – WEDNESDAY – To Office

ITEM	QTY	COST	TOTAL
SOFTDRINK <small>Please Circle</small> Coke, Lemonade, Orange, Other		\$1.50	
SMALL CHIPS Plain, BBQ, Other		\$0.50	
LARGE CHOCOLATES Mars Bars, Freddo, Other		\$1.50	
SMALL CHOCOLATES Freddo Frogs, Milky Way, Other		\$0.50	
BAG OF LOLLIES		\$0.50	
LOLLY POP		\$0.20	
SNACK PACKS – Fruit, Nuts, Other		\$1.00	
TUCKSHOP – Milk, Juice		\$2.00	
TOTAL			

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LOLLY POP		\$0.20	
SNACK PACKS – Fruit, Nuts, Other		\$1.00	
TUCKSHOP – Milk, Juice		\$2.00	
TOTAL			

TUCKSHOP

The following meal deals are being offered by the P&C for the next two weeks. Please place your orders in the Tuckshop Box.

TUCKSHOP – FRIDAY 23 MAY 2014	
NAME:	YEAR:
<u>\$6.20 MEAL DEAL</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Spaghetti Bolognese</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Flavoured milk</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fruit popper</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Water</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Snack</i>	
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$

TUCKSHOP – FRIDAY 23 MAY 2014	
NAME:	YEAR:
<u>\$6.20 MEAL DEAL</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Spaghetti Bolognese</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Flavoured milk</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fruit popper</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Water</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Snack</i>	
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$

TUCKSHOP – FRIDAY 30 MAY 2014	
NAME:	YEAR:
<u>\$6.00 MEAL DEAL</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Toasted Sandwich – Ham/Cheese OR Ham/Cheese/Tomato</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Flavoured milk</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fruit popper</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Water</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fruit Bar</i>	
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$

TUCKSHOP – FRIDAY 30 MAY 2014	
NAME:	YEAR:
<u>\$6.00 MEAL DEAL</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Toasted Sandwich – Ham/Cheese OR Ham/Cheese/Tomato</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Flavoured milk</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fruit popper</i> or <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Water</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fruit Bar</i>	
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$