



PORT CURTIS ROAD COURIER

A fortnightly communication between home and the school community

PRINCIPAL: Mrs Julianne Emmert

Term 4 Week 9 – 3rd December 2013

VALUE: Every child matters every day!

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

Dates to Remember

2013

Term 4
8 October – 13 December

Summer Vacation Begins
14 December 13

2014

Summer Vacation Ends
26 January 2014

Public Holiday
Australia Day – 27 January

Term 1
Tuesday 28 January –
Friday 4 April

P & C Association

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



Please come along to our next meeting.

REMINDERS

Prep, Years 1,2,3 & 4 Students
Swimming \$6 / week
\$24 per student

Years 5, 6 & 7 Students
Camp Medical Forms to be returned

Snack Shack
Please Note: There will be NO Snack Shack on Wednesday 5 December due to Awards Night.

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Tuckshop
Orders attached

Please Note: There will be NO tuckshop on the last day of term-13 December.

From the Principal

Family and Friends of the Port Curtis Road State School Community

Well it is hard to believe it is the second last week of school already and there is still plenty to do.

We are busy getting organised for the concert tomorrow afternoon. Please see the attached flyer.

Report Cards will be going home Thursday this week. If you would like a parent interview please make an appointment with your class teacher.

This is the last week for swimming. Can you please ensure all outstanding fees have been paid for?

The Year 5 , 6 and 7's head off to camp next Monday. Can all students please be at school by 8.30am? I am sure they will have a wonderful time.

Next Thursday 12 December, we have our Mystery Tour for our Gold Students and lunch will be provided for the Silver and Gold students.

GOLD AWARDS

Sanne Greenhalgh
Jessie Neale
Bindy Brannock
Bradly Fehlhaber
Lachlan Macdonald
Klay Mendham
Eowyn Underhill-Mackenzie
Georgia Horspool
Jacob Watson
Emily Fehlhaber
Isaac Horspool
Ethan Haughton
Louise Watson
Zoey Carolan
Harry Crichton

SILVER AWARDS

Chloe Braun
Christopher Olive
Matthew Maloney
Bryce Leddy
Tayleah Daniel
Madison Sander
Phoebe Sander
Charlie Neale
Michael Baxter
Savannah Sanderson
Jorja Smith
Sam Gray
Dre Adams
Lachlan Foxlee

Can you please return any school readers or library books?

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Staff, P & C, Parents, Caregivers and Students for a great year. I have thoroughly enjoyed the last 12 months and I look forward to next year.

I hope you have a happy and safe holiday.

Take care
Julianne Emmert
Principal

CLASSROOM NEWS

From the Prep – Year 2 Classroom

As this is the last newsletter of the year I would like to take the opportunity to wish one and all a very happy Christmas and all the best for 2014. This year has absolutely flown by and the children in my room have worked extremely hard and achieved very well. I have been very pleased and indeed proud of their efforts. Great work all round.

Kind Regards

Mr John Collins

From Years 3, 4 Classroom

This week is the last week for homework. All students have spelling words to learn, timetables to revisit and of course reading each night. The last spelling test for the year will be Thursday along with a test that will consist of a mix of all timetables learnt. Next week we will be finishing off any unfinished work and some Christmas related activities. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and relaxing holidays!

Kind regards

Mrs Tracy O'Brien

From Years 5, 6, 7 Classroom

Well done to all students in the senior class. I have enjoyed my time this year in the Year 5, 6, 7 classroom. We are currently studying Greek, Rome and some aspects of Egyptian culture. We are examining areas like Politics, Science, Philosophy, Democracy, the Olympics, Mathematics, Schools, Baths, the law and many other aspects of society which originated from these ancient societies. In Maths, we are studying volume and capacity; in Science we are studying electricity and also Geography.

Congratulations to William Neale who has accrued the most *'money earned' in a term as part of our behaviour management.* Well done William.

Congratulations, to the graduating Year 7 students: Dre, James, Susan, Zoey, Joshua, Harry, Tyler S, Tyler H,

Lachlan, Jake, Dylan, and Blake; we all look forward to hearing of your success in your futures. Some great gains have been made with our Naplan Practice Tests. We are looking forward to teaching our students to become lifelong learners.

Enjoy the holidays and please take care! I look forward to working with our senior class next year.

Kind thoughts

Mr Michael Peters

Playgroup

Porty Playgroup last session for the year will be on Thursday 4th December with a fun packed Xmas breakup. All welcome.

Porty Playgroup will recommence in February 2014 date to be advised. A huge thank you to parents and children for *a very rewarding year. I'm sure we've enjoyed many friendships and learning experiences together.*

Wishing you all a Merry Xmas and Safe Holidays.

Mrs Sharon West

REMINDER

Chalk and Parent Direct orders need to be sent direct to them before the 18th December to arrive before Xmas. Happy picking!

Student School Banking will finish this week 4th December. Please check your tokens, (you will need 10) to redeem them for some great gifts. Thank you for supporting your students to learn valuable saving practices. Student Banking will recommence in February 2014.

Happy holidays.

Mrs Sharon West

UniFY - University For You

Bigger and Better in 2014



Due to the overwhelming uptake from 434 participating students in 2013, Central Queensland Region has committed *more* funding in 2014 to deliver **four** UNIFY projects. Like-minded, high achieving and talented students from across the region will once again have the opportunity to connect in *new* on-line, higher order thinking challenges via the Brisbane School of Distance Education.

Over the course of the year, more than 700 nominated students with a strong interest or ability in project topics will work with specialist teachers on each of our CQ selected projects. One project will be offered each term, one lesson per week, with up to ten lessons in total per project. All projects include an on-line event with specialist University reps in each of the chosen project areas. To acknowledge their efforts, participants will have their involvement recorded on semester report cards.

2014 UniFY Projects:

Term 1 - Shape Up (Years 6, 7 & 8) – math investigative focus

Term 2 – Critical Thinking (Years 5-9)

Term 3 – Creative Writing (Years 5-9)

Term 4 - Scientific Literacy (Years 5-9)

Feedback from students, parents and teachers supports the value of UniFY projects:

Student from Longreach State High School - *"I particularly like all the different activities that we do and all the different people we get to talk to. The teachers are really nice and make the lessons fun."*

Teacher from Kin Kora State School – *"The students have been enthralled every lesson and stay for an extra 30 minutes each lesson to continue the projects. It has been so worthwhile for me to see the extra work that they are prepared to put in at home....they are just so involved."*

Parent from Eimeo Road State School - *"This kind of extra-curricular or extension activity has been invaluable and I believe it has provided my son with deeper knowledge, skills, confidence and a keenness for school."*

Information regarding nominations for Project 1 will be received in schools shortly.

I commend this program to you as an excellent method for engaging and extending our talented students. Please contact your school to discuss this G&T program.

Regards

Wayne Butler

Regional Director Central Queensland



INVITATION TO ORIENTATION DAY

To: All students intending to enrol for year 8 in 2014 at Rockhampton State High School

What: A taste of life as a Year 8 student at Rocky High, a chance to meet some of your teachers for next year and to start making new friends. A sausage sizzle will be provided for lunch.

Where: Rockhampton State High School, Campbell Street, Rockhampton

When: Wednesday 4 December 2013 – 9 am to 3pm

What to Bring: Students will need to wear their school uniforms and shoes suitable for playing sport. Bring a hat, water bottle and pencil or pen, and afternoon tea (school tuckshop will be open).

Meet at the Assembly Hall at the start of the day.

For further information, contact Cindy Mills at Rocky High (cmill308@esq.edu.au or 49204333)

Please advise your school office if you will be attending.

MARMOR STATE SCHOOL **EOI –TEMPORARY TEACHER AIDE POSITION**

Approx. 20 hours per week
23 January 2014 – 12 December 2014
(with the possibility of extension)

Expressions of interest are sought for a teacher aide position at Marmor State School, working approx. 20 hours per week, commencing 23 January 2014 .

Please submit resumes by Friday 13 December 2013.

Email: the.principal@marmorss.eq.edu.au

Marmor State School
PO Box 260
Mount Larcom Q 4695

For more information please contact Marmor State School on 4934 6235



ROBERT BEAK TENNIS COACHING
PH 49361021 – 041 9026963
P.O. Box 5729
C.Q. MAIL CENTER, 4702

CHRISTMAS SCHOOL HOLIDAY **CLINIC**

ROCKHAMPTON

MONDAY 6th January through to THURSDAY 9th January
8.30 am – 11.30 am

Tennis Racquets Available
Beginners to Advanced
Player Coach Ratio 1/7
12 Hour of on court Coaching
Technical & Tactical Skills

Lots of prizes to be won
End of Clinic Tournament /Trophies to be won
CLINIC FEES \$90.00 INCLUDING G.S.T.

Don't miss this **FREE** interactive parenting event of the year

How to create...

Happy Families
inspired parenting

Featuring in demand speaker...

Dr Justin Coulson PhD



Wednesday
11th December
Women's Health
Centre
225 Bolsover Street,
Rockhampton
10.30am - 12pm

* Author of "What Your Child Needs From You: Creating a Connected Family"
* Media commentator on The Project, The TODAY show, The Daily Edition, and Mornings on 7
* Committee Member for the World Congress of Families 2013 in Sydney

www.happyfamilies.com.au

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: Please RSVP your attendance to

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Children in the Rockhampton LGA

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GRACEMERE NETBALL CLUB **2014 SEASON SIGN ON**

Sunday 1st December & Sunday 2nd February 2014
9.30 am to 12 noon

Gracemere Netball Courts (near Gracemere Swimming Pool)
Aged 8 yrs (as at 31 December 2014) through to Ladies
(if your daughter is under 8, please register her interest)

All Forms need to be completed at Sign On
with \$50 Club Fee (RNA Fee is due before 24th February)
GNC is registered with the *Get Started Program*,
eligible children can receive a voucher
up to \$150 for Junior Sporting Fees

NO PAY NO PLAY

Samples of Uniforms,
Club Shirts & Jackets will be available to try on

If you are a new player
we will require a copy of your Birth Certificate

Gracemere Netball train at the Gracemere Netball Courts &
play in the Rockhampton Netball Association Competition
on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday night

For further details please contact Amanda Sloan
0402564059 or Tammie Seeney 0407973255, email
gracemere.netball@hotmail.com ; or Facebook
Please contact us if you are interested in coaching
or umpiring next year.



ROCKHAMPTON CHRISTMAS DISCO

STAPLETON PARK, BRIDGE STREET
NORTH ROCKHAMPTON QLD 4701

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 6.00PM-8.30PM
AGE: PREP - GRADE 7

THEME: CHRISTMAS

\$7 ENTRY (INCLUDES SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND DRINK)

BEST DRESSED COMPETITION
FOR MORE INFO PH:49277899 OR
EMAIL: ROCKHAMPTON@PCYC.ORG.AU



Rockhampton Basketball Holiday Camp January 2014

This is your chance to get up-close & personal with the Rockets and Freshville Sports Club Cyclones along with coaches and players from RBL by attending the September School Holiday Basketball Camp.

As part of the Camp participants will learn the tricks of the trade in a FUN safe environment. The emphasis for the camp is 'Skill, Fun & Play'. Learn the skills, practice them in fun mini-games, and finally put it all together in 5 on 5 Basketball.

Date: Tuesday 21st to Thursday 25th January 2014 Time: 10.00 am-5.00pm

Cost: \$100.00 (GST Inc.)

Where: Hagvold Basketball Stadium,
Huish Drive.

Priority booking systems:

2 Children = \$200

3 Children = \$300

4 Children = \$340

What will you need to bring:

Who:

Suitable to new and existing players

- Basketball
- A Drink Bottle
- A Light & Dark T-shirt or singlet
- Lunch
- A Fun Feather 220ml-D

For further information please contact Rockhampton Basketball on 4922 5544.

Name: _____ Gender (circle): M / F
 School: _____ Grade (circle): Prep 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
 Address: _____
 Email Address: _____
 Phone (Daytime): _____ (Mobile): _____
 Parents Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Medical Conditions: _____

Please Circle Size:
 Cheques/money orders made payable to Rockhampton Basketball Incorporated, and can be topped off at Hagvold Basketball Stadium or

REVERSIBLE SINGLET	8	10	12	14	S	M	L	XL	2XL
1/2 CHEST MEASUREMENT CM	43	45.5	48	50.5	53	55.5	58	60.5	63
HIGH POINT SHOULDER TO HEM CM	60	63	66	69	71	73	75	77	79

I hereby give permission for my child _____ to attend the Rockets & Cyclones Holiday Camp. I also authorize the staff of the Centre to act for me according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention. I hereby waive and release the program from any illness or injury incurred while at the camp. I also understand that the RBL retains the right to use for publicity and advertising purposes, photos and/or video footage taken of players at the camp.

Signature: _____ Parent / Guardian Date: _____ RBL# _____

TUCKSHOP

The following meal deal is being offered this week. It will be our final tuckshop for this year. Please place your orders in the Tuckshop Box.

TUCKSHOP – FRIDAY 6th December 2013

NAME:	YEAR:
<u>\$5 MEAL DEAL</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> LUCKY DIP – End of Term Special <input type="checkbox"/> Flavoured milk or <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit popper or <input type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Nibbles	
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$

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PORT CURTIS ROAD STATE SCHOOL *Awards Night* 2013



- 5pm Sliding \$5 each
Bring a plate to share
- 6pm Presentation of Awards - Library
Year 7 Graduation
“ I am Australian” Years 5 – 7
Year 7 Speech
Song - “Last Christmas”
by Susan, Zoey & Louise
Powerpoint Presentation
Santa outside—Courtyard
Continue sliding till 8pm.
Snack Shack will be operating.
Xmas Multi-Draw Raffle \$1 a ticket
drawn on the night.

