General

‘Open Door’ Policy
We encourage parents to be actively involved in their child’s learning, so please come in and spend some time in the classroom to find out how your child / children are progressing.

Excursions
From time to time, we may go on educational outings which will entail a change from the normal routine. We will let you know in advance and will welcome your company and assistance on these occasions.

P & C Committee (Parents’ & Citizens Association)
The school’s P & C Committee meets the second Thursday of every month at the school senior room at 5pm. The P & C aims to improve the education facilities for the school and Prep.
All parents, family members and citizens are encouraged and welcome to participate.

Illness
We advise you to keep your child at home if he/she is not well. Remember that a sick child is better at home with their parents rather than at school feeling unhappy and spreading germs to others.

Absence
Please notify the school if your child will be absent from school on 4742 8333

Medication
Please see our School Prospectus with regards to medication that is required to be administered at school.

Sharing Information
Events in family life such as visits from relatives, major illnesses, accident or death of relatives, friends or pets can be of major concern or excitement for children and markedly affect their behaviour. It is important for the home and school to share information which may affect children, and it is appreciated if parents inform the teacher of any unusual happenings of this nature.

Newsletter
A school newsletter will be sent out each Wednesday informing you about events happening in and around the school community. You are able to subscribe to this newsletter and receive it on-line. From time to time you will receive notes informing you about what is happening at Prep. Please check your child’s school bag regularly for these newsletters and other important notes.

Birthdays are special!
Your child is welcome to bring along a cake to share with his/her friends on this important day for him/her. Children whose birthdays fall in the holidays may share their birthdays before or after the holidays.

Daintree Street Cloncurry QLD 4824
P: 07 4742 8333 F: 07 4742 8300
Email: admin@cloncurryss.eq.edu.au
www.cloncurryss.eq.edu.au

Stay up to date with what’s happening at our school by liking us on Facebook
Cloncurry State School P-12
Welcome

We would like to extend a warm and hearty welcome to you, as parents of our Prep children. We look forward to sharing many happy times with you as we work together to provide the best possible learning opportunities for your child.

School Hours
The Prep day is the equivalent of a full school day - 8:30am - 2:30pm

Early Years Curriculum
Our Prep year is a new learning environment with exciting things to do, see, touch and experience. We aim to create a relaxed, secure and supportive environment where children are encouraged to investigate and explore to their individual potential.
We plan to develop a learning environment, where the children learn through their inquiry into the materials provided, their play and their contact with school staff, parents, other children and community members.

We utilise The Early Years Curriculum Guidelines that incorporate the following:
• Supporting play as a context for learning
• Understanding each child as an individual
• Developing supportive partnerships
• Assisting children in exploring the world around them and the ways in which they learn

Successful Learning
Everything your child does within our school has a purpose for learning. If you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to ask us.
The following factors have been identified to contribute to success in learning:
• Social and emotional competence with a focus on social and personal learning
• Health and physical wellbeing, particularly in making healthy choices, gross-motor and fine-motor development
• Language and communication focusing on oral language and early literacy development
• Early mathematical understandings with an emphasis on early numeracy development
• Active learning processes with a focus on thinking, investigating, imaging and responding
• Positive dispositions to learning

Requirements
On the first day your child will need to bring:
• 4 Scrapbooks
• 1 Set of coloured pencils
• 1 Plastic Wallet
• 4 Glue Sticks
• 1 Ream of Photocopy Paper
• 2 Boxes of Tissues
• 1 Pencil Case
• 1 pencil Sharpener
• 1 Manilla Folder
• 1 Queensland Targeting Handwriting book (1)
Please ensure all items are CLEARLY MARKED with your child’s name

School Bag
Children will place their school bags in their lockers each day. School bags should be large enough for the children to place lunch boxes, drink bottles, hats, art & craft and other items in securely.

Hat
In this hot climate hats are essential. It is a school rule that children without wide-brimmed hats are not permitted outside.
WE STRONGLY ADHERE TO THE SCHOOL RULE ‘NO HAT, NO PLAY’!!

Drinks
Prep is very thirsty work. Please ensure that your child brings a clearly labelled, large drink bottle each day with enough water for the whole day.
Please Note: Soft drink is not permitted. Please encourage your children to drink water.

Clothing
It is a requirement that your child wears the Cloncurry State School uniform.
A spare pair of clothes for your child needs to be kept in your child’s bag every day in case of messy play or accidents.

Shoes
Closed in shoes are essential for school.
For the safety of your child it is essential that he/she wears shoes at all times.

Lunch
We promote healthy eating practices at Prep. We ask that no lollies, chocolate or soft drink is packed for your child.
Your child will be encouraged to eat healthier lunch box items first.