WHAT'S HAPPENING

- Yr 7/8 Camp – Week 4
- Trivia Night – Sat 28th May
- P&C Meeting – Tuesday 24th May
- Cross Country – Monday 23 May
- Queens Birthday Holiday – Monday 13 June
- Show Holiday – Friday 17 June
- Last Day Term 2 – Friday 24 June
- Student Free Day – Monday 11 July
- First Day Term 3 – Tuesday 12 July

PRINCIPAL’S NOTE

Time continues to fly by and our teachers and students continue to focus on their programs of teaching and learning. The National Assessments have now been conducted, our Athletics Carnival has passed and we have seen our 7/8 students leave for their biennial excursion to the Capital. All our years 7-12 have travelled to Mount Isa for the FOGS Careers Expo and our Yr 10 select students are to leave today for an incredible experience at The Ross Clunes Awards in Brisbane...but wait there’s more....SF4NQ Try A Trade Expo next week in Townsville.

Next weekend we will fit in a Trivia fundraising night for the P & C and this Friday is Cupcakes for Chaplaincy Week, and oops!! Almost forgot. The Eisteddfod on Tuesday where our choir was awarded a First Placing and our School Band a Highly Commended CONGRATULATIONS!!! Who says schools aren’t busy places???

Next week is Education Week and we have a great list of events happening to celebrate. All parents and community members are invited.

On Tuesday and Wednesday next week I will be in Mount Isa attending

The Principals’ Business Meeting for our area. We will have guest speakers from across our region and I’m looking forward to listening and learning from others and their practise.

Stay safe, keep in contact with your child’s teachers. Till next week, Christine.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The P&C would like to invite anyone who would like to volunteer their time in the Home Economics room serving breakfast or assisting with the Homework Support Program, please give Mel Doyle a call on 0418 754 268.

Any amount of time you can spare would be greatly appreciated.

EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT COMPETITIONS

Each year our school nominates students to participate in the Educational Assessment Competitions. These are a series of papers in the areas of Science, Maths, Spelling, Writing and English. We ask each teacher to nominate students according to their current results in each area. Our P&C finance these opportunities in the subjects English, Maths and Science.

Liz Rainnie has the names of students who have been nominated so please contact her- ph 47428333 or erain10@eq.edu.au

If you wish your child to participate in the Spelling and Writing Competitions please contact Liz to nominate and pay the nomination fee at the school office.

- English, Mathematics and Science $ 7.70
- Spelling $11.00
- Writing $16.50

'CHAPPY CUP CAKES'

Celebrating Chaplaincy Week

50c per cupcake for sale at little lunch this Friday 20th May in the undercover area outside the tuckshop

CONDOLENCES

Our Deepest sympathies are extended on your recent loss

Aitkens KumSing Family and Friends & Watson Family and Friends
An initiative of the Pedestrian Council of Australia, the annual, national event encourages parents and other Australians walking all or part of the way to school. For more information visit the Walk Safely to School website at www.walk.com.au.

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Get Active students will be engaged in a program called ‘Hook into Hockey’. If your child/children are interested in the Hook into Hockey Program for term 2, please fill out a consent form (which can be collected from the office) and have it returned before your child/children commence Get Active. Get Active will be up and running in week 2.

If you have any questions regarding the Hook into Hockey Program, please do not hesitate to see me. Margo Hodson - (Get Active Co-ordinator)

P&C / TUCKSHOP NEWS

P&C MEETING

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Trivia Night – 28th May.

Volunteers / Workers / Contestants needed. Come along for a night of fun and laughter.

State of Origin footy doubles on sale this week. Contact P & C members for your tickets.

COMMUNITY NEWS

TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 28th May at the Shire Hall: Come along for a night of fun and laughter and bring your general knowledge with you. Organise and register your team on the night. Prizes. Hot Pots, chips, drinks and chocolate for sale on the night.

Doors open 6pm for 7pm start.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to students who achieved 100% attendance this week!

GET ACTIVE – HOOK INTO HOCKEY PROGRAM

There will be no Active After School on Wednesday 25th May. There will be a catch up session in week 9.

GET ACTIVE is a great opportunity for students to stay active after school! As part of the program we provide one hour of physical activity and also a healthy and nutritious afternoon tea. Get Active is available for all students from prep to year seven.

Hockey Queensland Remote and Indigenous Communities Hockey Development Program have joined with Active After School for term 2!

Get Active students will be engaged in a program called ‘Hook into Hockey’. At the end of the term, we will be competing in Mount Isa or here at school.

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We’re asking our parents and students to get up early on Walk Safely to School Day and join thousands of other Australians walking all or part of the way to school.

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STAFF PROFILES

Hello! My name is Elizabeth Keim, aka Miss Lizzie. I came to teaching, after having worked in a number of different industries, in different roles, in different places; completing an Arts Degree Drama followed by a Diploma of Education at QUT in Brisbane. Teaching was always my destination. It is very difficult to profile one self! How you are perceived is for other people to determine. But who I am, is easier! I am the eighth of ten children, and we are all ‘the sum’ of two incredibly wonderful people. They created a system of values and beliefs, and consequently, behaviour, within our home which has become the foundation for each of us. Their time was limited and money was scarce, but our home was full of social justice, generosity, love for one’s fellow person, fairness . . . and a strong and deep value of education. The education they provided for us all, both conventionally and in terms of values, has given my siblings and me, the power to make choices; the opportunity to participate in life to our fullest potential.

You, the parents of our Cloncurry Kids, are the makers of memories and futures. And I am . . . Miss Lizzie.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

The next Student Council Meeting in on the 23rd May in the Library.

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CHAPLAIN’S CHATTER

Is this Autumn or Winter? For what it’s worth, the herb and flower garden maintained by the students, is doing well in this cooler weather. On the garden note, our native garden at the front of Admin is thriving! The students who helped me with that project are being presented with a certificate. This week is ‘CHAPPY WEEK’ which is recognition of the work Chaplains do in your school. Students and staff are making ‘Chappy Cup Cakes’ to sell on Friday. Also this will be a free dress day WEARING YOUR FAVOURITE COLOUR and a gold coin donation towards the Chaplaincy Program at our school.

Education week is next week, so please come along to support your student/s meet with their teacher and see the wonderful work all students are doing. Join us for a cuppa on Thursday to support the ‘Biggest Morning Tea’ fundraiser for Cancer. The Student Council are providing the catering and we look forward to your company. I finish with a quote and blessings to you all. ‘By keeping our eyes fixed on the failings of others, we are neglecting our own failings’. Miss Jenny
**Cowboys Home Game Passes**
Cowboys Junior/School Players passes available to borrow from the office for persons wishing to go to a game in Townsville. If you wish to borrow a pass please see the Cloncurry State School Office.

**Promise of the Week**
"Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer" Isaiah 58.9a

**SUZY’S GYM & RECREATIONAL COMPLEX**
36 Short Street Cloncurry
PH: 47421400

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**Ernest Henry Mining**
invites you to attend its

**Community Information Session**
Updates will be provided on our underground and magnetite projects along with our sustainable development and operational performance.

**Date:** Thursday, 19 May 2011

**Venue:** Cloncurry Shire Hall

**Time:** Afternoon tea from 5:00pm, presentation at 5:30pm

Everyone is welcome
We hope to see you there!

**Glasco**

**CHIROPRACTIC**
4743 3456
Wednesdays from 2:00 pm
@ Cloncurry Pharmacy

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**
An expression of interest is called for a Temporary Schools Officer (Grounds & Facilities) – 38 hours per week.

Period of Relief: Monday 23 May 2011 to Friday 24 June 2011.

**Expression of Interest**
Chief Community Representative for QCS Test

The Queensland Studies Authority (QSA) invites expressions of interest from members of the community to nominate for appointment to the positions of chief community representative or community representative for the QCS Test. To maintain the accountability, security and proper conduct of the test, the QSA appoints members of the community to each test centre to carry out duties on behalf of the QSA.

The test centre (our school) is where students may sit the Queensland Core Skills (QCS) Test. The QCS test is part of the scaling system for our year 12s working towards achieving an OP score. Alicia Wilson (Head of Department) will be the chief supervisor, who will administer the test on behalf of the QSA. This year the test will be held on Tuesday 30 August and Wednesday 31 August.

As chief community representative (positions A or B) you will be paid $437.92 to conduct the duties necessary.

Members of the community interested in applying for these positions should contact the school office to collect these documents:

- **Position description** — Chief community representative or community representative
- **Application to be a chief community representative or community representative**
- **Declaration of undertaking**.

The QSA will post appointment notices to successful members of the community in late July.

Applications close Friday 20th May 2011.
**AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

**RAINBOW A (PREP) NEWS**

Welcome to week 4!

What's happening in Prep this week?

Well this will be our last week of being hairdressers. The children have designed some wonderful tools to use in the salon. Great job kids.

This week's focus includes letter Oo and number 14. Our activities for the week will be centred on these focuses.

Looking forward to all those wonderful books the children have to share during our show and share sessions.

Have a great week 😊

Have a great week. Stephanie and Lesley

**GREEN (YEAR 1/2) CLASS NEWS**

Well, we are nearly half way through the term already! We would like to congratulate all of the students in P-3 for their fantastic effort and participation in our Athletics carnival. We had a wonderful day and are very proud of everyone.

This week, students are creating a ‘Lost’ advertisement for the Dream-Maker. Students have no idea where he/she is gone and are relying on information provided to them by Denki!

Please ask your students about this fun arts unit.

This week in maths students will be continuing with ‘time’ and working with the numbers 10-20. Students will be focusing on the ‘th’ phoneme this week.

Next week we will be starting to make a dinosaur diorama for our unit work assessment. Please ensure you bring in a box so that your child/children can start their assessment. At this stage, only 4 students have boxes. It is essential we start this piece of assessment next week.

Please ensure students reading folders are brought back to school on a daily basis.

Miss Hodson will be away next week (week 5).

Miss Sarah Cole will be relieving Miss Hodson for the week. In addition to this, Get Active on Wednesday (week 5) will not be on. Thursday’s session will be on as per normal. The Wednesday session will be made up to students in week 9.

Enjoy the rest of your week.

Margo Hodson and Kaitlyn Hohns

**BLUE / RED (YEAR 4/5/6) CLASS NEWS**

Wow what an interesting week in Blue and Red class. Sadly, due to sickness or illness each of the teachers of Blue and Red class has had a day off last week. However, this week all teachers seem to be fighting fit.

Last week students participated in the national NAPLAN tests on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Well done to all the students. They put in a great deal of effort in completing their tests.

On Friday was the athletics carnival. It was great seeing so many students participating in the races and earning points for their team and maybe even coming in first, second or third place. It was great to see parents there supporting children.

This week in our classrooms we will continue learning about colonisation. Students are starting to learn about the arrival in Port Jackson. Students will look at how they went about setting up a colony. Students have been busily working on their drama by writing a script and making props. Students have also been looking at newspaper articles and how they are written.

Well we will soon be starting our assessment for this term. Please encourage your child to be coming to school every day as even 1 day missed can be detrimental to their learning. It has been great seeing so many students coming to school every day.

**Purple (year 2/3) class news**

Hello again! As you would most probably be aware, last week our Year 3’s sat the National Assessment exams. The students were tested in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy over a period of three days. I was highly impressed with the manner in which the students participated. Most children were well prepared, arriving at school rested and fresh. Their attitude towards the testing was also marvellous. Most students knuckled down to the task with commitment and a desire to achieve. They used their time well and worked hard to the end. Results won’t be available until around October.

Along with our usual areas of study, this week we are enjoying our science investigations. We are looking at the different habitats and characteristics of animals and their offspring. We have identified and discussed the differences between different animals and written descriptions which compare and contrast different species.

Keep up the excellent lunches! Keep up the excellent attendance! Remember, if your address or phone numbers have changed, please let us know. Until next week. Warm regards Miss Lizzie and Miss Childs
EXTREME SCIENCE EXPERIENCE
Yr 10

Cloncurry State School is one of more than 40 schools from around Queensland lucky enough to be participating in an extraordinary science event on 20 May at the Brisbane Convention Centre.

Three of our top achieving year 10 science students will be fully funded by Mount Isa Mines to take part in this event. These students are Alicia Patchett, Victoria Hardingham and Vishula Gamaethige. The students will join over 240 others at the 2011 Extreme Science Experience (ESE) at which students will be learning through hands-on experiments from Australia’s top innovators.

The winners of the top secret 2011 ATSE Clunies Ross Awards are named the previous night and then students and teachers will be able to hear from, talk to and work with the 2011 Award winners at the ESE. The students will also get to “speed meet” a scientist in 5 minute “meets” of successful scientists to talk about how they got where they are and what motivated them in their career choices. They also get to meet the host Bernie Hobbs, who many will know from the ABC “New Inventors” program.

The workshops are all associated with the field in which the as yet-unnounced Clunies Ross winners have worked, including learning the process of making iron; using the effects of magnetism; how to track down genes; and hands on activities with the radiation we cannot live without.

Students are very excited and it’s a real privilege for them to get to meet and learn from Australia’s top innovators.

Alicia Wilson (Head of Department)

FOGS Employment and Careers Expo

On Wednesday all of our year 7-12 students will be travelling to Mount Isa to be part of the FOGS Employment and Career Expo. The 2011 FOGS Employment and Careers Expo will feature over 50 of Queensland’s most prominent employers and education and training providers. The Career Expo will give our students an opportunity to see what types of careers they may be interested in and also give them a chance to talk to professionals about what is involved in the workplace and what study is required to gain employment.

We would like to thank Xstrata Ernest Henry and our school P&C for their valuable financial contribution to cover the buses so we can all attend. It is a wonderful opportunity for our students.

BABY SITTER AVAILABLE

After school and evening care available
For more information contact Lisa - 47 422 459
Reasonable Rates Offered

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. If you would like any information regarding our school activities or policies please don’t hesitate to contact the school on the numbers provided. If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the newsletter and any info on what is happening at school please contact Linda at the office with your email address.

CHRISTINE NORTON
Principal