Saturday night our Year 12 Graduation Celebration was held at the Cloncurry Community Precinct. Our now ‘past students’ presented themselves admirably and parents and family have every reason to be extremely proud. Our young ladies were simply glamorous and the young men debonair. It was hard to comprehend that only 24 hours earlier they were wearing tired and worn grey & gold polo shirts. Best wishes, we will miss you, and make sure you keep in touch!

For the rest of us however, daily school life continues to keep us busy as we finalise all that has been learnt over the year and start reorganising for 2013. Staff and classes will be announced in next weeks newsletter.

Keep Thursday 6th Dec free on your calendar as it is our Annual Christmas Pageant. It is always a great way to draw the year to a close. Hoping to see everyone there.

Till next week..................
Christine Norton
BREAKFAST CLUB- A big thank you to parents/carers who kindly donate money or foodstuffs to support the ongoing service of Breakfast Club. Please feel free to come and help for just 25min in the morning 8am to 8.25am Monday to Friday. A big thank you to Latoya Hayes who helps me every morning to clean up. Bless you

YOUTH GROUP- Affectionately known as 'The Kingdom Kids' are very busy making Christmas Cards for family and friends. So if anyone has old cards they no longer want, please send them our way. We can recycle these cards to make a lovely new one for Christmas. This has been a valuable and rewarding year whereby the students are so keen to learn the Christian faith and understand the different chapters and important people in the Bible. For the remainder of this year we will be learning about the meaning behind the Christmas tree and how it came about.

So watch this space................
details in next bulletin. Blessings to one and all ……
Ms Jenny School Chaplain

PB Celebration Party

Cloncurry State School is celebrating a full year of School Wide Positive Behaviour Support. A large percentage of the school have been working very hard to achieve great results. Each term we have celebrated with a mid and end term reward. This term we are rewarding the students with a Celebration Party!

Place: Burke & Wills Shed
Date: Friday November 30th
Time: Prep – Yr 3  9am – 10.25 am
Yr 4 – Yr 7  10.55am – 12.40pm
Yr 8 – Yr 11  1.20pm – 2.30pm


*FREE Sausage sizzle & cold drink first lunch at the undercover area!

Cloncurry State School P-12
This is the first Cloncurry State School P-12 Facebook page!

We intend to use this communication tool to pass on messages regarding things happening at the school. It would be great if you could ‘Like’ our page and pass the word to other people in the school community so the information can be passed on as widely as possible.

Reducing our Carbon footprint

In line with the Queensland Sustainable Schools Program and the reduction of our Carbon Footprint, from the beginning of the 2013 year our school weekly newsletter will be emailed only. Printed newsletters will ONLY be available upon request.

The newsletter is uploaded to our website: www.cloncurryss.eq.edu.au and Facebook page: www.facebook.com/CloncurryStateSchoolP12

Please ensure you advise the Office of your email address to be included in the weekly distribution list OR alternatively email your address to: admin@cloncurryss.eq.edu.au

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

Students who received prizes this week at SWPBS draw PB’s (Personal Best) at Pathways on Monday were

•   Kelly Davis
•   Toby Couchman

Keep up the great effort CSS students!!

Good Heaven's it is week 7!!!

A PROUD MOMENT- Well it looked like a scene from the Logie Awards or a Royal function as the guests and local people stood anxiously and excited at the entrance to our lovely Community Precinct awaiting the arrival of our Grade 12 graduates for their special evening. They all looked amazing! Well attended by staff, family and friends, we had a lovely meal and the function room looked stunning in navy and white. It truly was a proud moment to be in the presence of these students graduating. May God Bless each of you with a prosperous and happy future.
Primary Parades

**Wednesday Dec 5**
9am Grades 4 – 7
1:30pm Prep – Grade 3
(Week 9) Resource Centre

We welcome all Parents/Carers to these parades to support our students as we celebrate the achievements of our students.

“Cloncurry State School Jump Stars”

The Cloncurry Demo team have decided on a team name, hooray!! A vote was taken and the team decided on the Cloncurry State School Jump Stars. Last week they performed at the Careers and Opportunities Expo and did very well considering the ropes didn’t like the surface and bounced off the carpet. In the coming weeks the Jump Stars are performing at many events, so please come along and support them.

Monday 26th Nov – Parade at CSS (8:30am)
Tuesday 27th Nov – Excursion to Mt Isa (7:00am)
Friday 30th Nov - St Joseph’s parade (8:45am)
Thursday 6th Dec – CSS Christmas Pageant (11:00am)

Ms Beavis

School Rules:

Be A Learner
Be Respectful
Be Responsible
Be Safe

This week’s Focus:

Be in the Right Place at the Right Time!

Get Active

This term we will be swimming at the pool each
Monday and Wednesday afternoon
2:30pm - 3:45pm

Students must meet Miss Oates and Miss Turnbull in front of the Resource Centre at 2.30pm sharp to walk over to the pool. Students must ensure they pack swimmers and a towel. A healthy afternoon tea will be provided. We can’t wait to see you all there!

Miss Turnbull & Miss Oates

“Pathways”

Senior Formal 2012

Cloncurry State School 3
Cloncurry vs Doomadgee
Saturday 17th November

On Saturday the 17th Cloncurry Under 14 organised by the PCYC had friendly match of footy between the Doomadgee boys. Even the storm that came through did not stop this match from starting. It just added more excitement to the game. Cloncurry boys started off strong and lead for the most of the match, but the Doomadgee boys were not going to be out done.

Only minutes before full time the score was locked at 18 with the whistle only moments of blowing the Cloncurry boys came in with seconds to go “TRY”, winning the match 18 - 22

Boys on Bikes 18th November

Big thanks go to Mt Isa Hogs Harley Davidson Bikers club.

As we heard the rumble of the bikes coming into Mary Kay Park the chatter between the boys grew and the excitement was building. Before we even had a chance to ask any serious questions the first question was ‘Can we get on them?’ They were very obliging to let each of the boys plus Kimberly to hop on. Stretching out to reach the handle bars I could see some of them imaging themselves on the open road cruising along.

We did get to ask more serious questions that they are not a Bikey group but a club and like other clubs they work together as a team and lookout for each other. They too have to abide by rules and as they need to keep very focused especially looking after such a big machine, to keep focused and alert they stay off the alcohol & said that for anything you need to stay focused for like riding push bikes, skate boards and the like you need to stay away from Alcohol. They finished their time with us by taking everyone for a spin around the park.

We then had a bit of fun of our own competing against each other in an obstacle race, scooting round trees, Climbing up spiders, launching rockets & crawling their way through a parachute. The one with the fastest time was DJ Coffison; all who participated received a prize. We finished with a feed and looked back and saw the benefit of such a good day.

Look out for the next Chill Out with next Big Event is on the 1st of December with “Gladiators” Chill Out for ages 12-17 Grade 7-12 as we are coming to the end of the year we would like to invite the yr6 to join us.

Thanks Miss Tracy
Awards Night 2012

Jill McGee Cloncurry Masonic Lodge Dr Harvey-Sutton Memorial Award & Senior Dux Award

Tanishia Sarmardin receiving the QMEA “The Right Direction” Award

Below: 2012 Student Council

Below: James Cook University Academic Encouragement Award Francis Cole, Tyler Chong & Lladyssa Douglas

Above:
School Bases Traineeships & Tafe Participants Lachlan Duck, Megan Robertson, Ella Smith, Samilee Kum Sing, Bethany March & Ewen Charles

Cloncurry State School 5
Three weeks to go, how quickly everything is going. School holidays will be upon us before you know it, yes parents it is true!!!!!!

We are still very busy; the reporting period is now open so I am busy finalizing assessments so that I can complete your child’s report. The progress that the students have made since Term 1 is amazing and it is “onward and upward” from here.

We have been focusing on revision of our sounds last week, we will be continuing with middle and end sounds and also including reading and hand writing. The fun never stops.

Practice for the Christmas Pageant is continuing and we are working really hard with the Year 7’s as we all plan a “stupendous” performance, keep an eye out for the date and the times.

Just one small request, we are in desperate need of tissues, I know it is close to the end of term but we would love some donations please.

Mrs Wood is back with us this week, I would like to say a huge thank you to Miss Editha who did a wonderful job and again a huge thank you to all the mums who helped out when Miss Editha was away, you know who you are ! 😊😊😊😊😊

Until next week (wk 8!!!!!!!), have a good one 😊

Mrs Nola McClafferty and Mrs Lesley Wood.

Hello All, I’m afraid this will be a bit brief this week as I’ve had the old technological problems this morning and haven’t been able to make my computer work! We’re moving to the ‘pointy end’ of the term, with assessments to finish, and the Year 3’s are working brilliantly. Please take time to practise number facts for homework. If you have any library books at home, please return them. A list of unreturned books will be coming home shortly. If you have looked and can’t find the book, please write a note, naming the book, letting me know that it wasn’t found.

The last week of school will be lots of fun, with our Primary Parade and Christmas Pageant, so try and keep those dates free. I will sign off now, as I’ll be holding up the entire ‘Newsletter’!!! Until next week Kind regards

Warm regards Miss Lizzie (Elizabeth Keim)

Also workbooks that are starting to fill up will be sent home. Take the time to look through these books and booklets with your child.

All students need – HAT, WATERBOTTLE, PACKED LUNCH, SCHOOL UNIFORM. Please ensure that all students belonging are individually labelled with a PERMANENT marker. Thanks and have a spectacular seventh week in term 4.

Miss Marina Childs 😊

This week in Math we are focusing on addition and subtraction. We have been looking at part-part-whole. We have also been focusing on number sentences.

In English we are still finishing our new events that we have been writing for our assessment piece. The students are really working hard on these and are really being creative.

Thank you to all the students who have returned their library books. If you still have books at home could you please return these to class so we can take them back to the library.

Also a big thank you to the people that brought in tissues for the classrooms to use, it is greatly appreciated.

Don’t forget that swimming is still on a Tuesday. Some of the students have forgot their swimmers of late and have not been able to swim. Hope you all have a great week. Happy Learning

Claire Oates and Dearne Hodgetts 😊
In Blue Class we are working very hard on our term 4 assessment tasks. There have been some very pleasing results indeed. At this time of year it is critical that your child is at school every day, unless they are unwell. Thank you for your help with this.

In technology this week we have tested our boats at the pool. This was an enjoyable experience for all and after the event we have written reflections identifying what worked well, what could have been done better during the planning and/or construction phases and future recommendations.

In SOSE we have been researching a foreign country of our choosing and using our findings to create a PowerPoint presentation. We will be presenting these to the class as a spoken task next week. With all the hard work we’ve been doing throughout the year on public speaking skills, I look forward to some excellent presentations.

Have a great week!

Miss Katrina Madigan 😊

In Red Class we are working very hard on our term 4 assessment tasks. There have been some very pleasing results indeed. At this time of year it is critical that your child is at school every day, unless they are unwell. Thank you for your help with this.

In technology this week we have tested our boats at the pool. This was an enjoyable experience for all and after the event we have written reflections identifying what worked well, what could have been done better during the planning and/or construction phases and future recommendations.

Wow! Time is really flying now! This week we are getting into the next part of our English unit where we will be completing a film review on the movie ‘The Polar Express.’ We will be looking at the review that has been written about Storm Boy and then critiquing it to see what sort of things we will be looking for when we analyse The Polar Express.

In Maths we will be looking at measurement and comparing the different units of measure that are used for different sized objects.

In Media we are continuing to work on our Moviemaker presentations. We have already added the photos and most of the transitions so this week will be about adding some words and putting in the music.

SOSE will see us reviewing everything we have done this term in order to prepare for our mapping assessment next week.

Our experiments are underway in Science and this week we will be measuring and recording our results. It will be interesting to find out whether different types of liquids, cups or locations affect evaporation.

Only three weeks to go and I can’t stress enough the importance of coming to school every day! This is assessment time and one missed lesson could be detrimental to their understanding of the concepts being taught.

I hope you have a wonderful week!

Kelly Rozynski 😊

It has been a very mouldy week! Last week students continued to monitor the growth of mould on their bread. These observations will assist in the completion of their Science assessment. Students have seen black, yellow, green and even pink mould! Some of the bread was stale while one piece was half stale and half fresh. We certainly have some great conversation starters! Also this week in English we are finishing our debates. Students had to plan and debate the topic of “A good literary text can provide a more powerful message than an informative text.” All students have been working really well as part of a group and coming up with some detailed arguments. This week will see the completion of SOSE. Students need to write a persuasive argument to support or refute the argument “we don’t need money to live.” I’m looking forward to reading these.

The focus for Maths this week is looking at the difference between transformations and tessellations.

Have a great week!

Miss Rachel Rozynski 😊

Thank you for taking a keen interest in your child’s education. 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 the office with your email address.

Christine Norton
Principal