Happy Holidays

- Last Day Term 2 – Friday 24 June
- Student Free Day – Monday 11 July
- First Day Term 3 – Tuesday 12 July

Wishing all students, families and staff a safe, relaxing two week holiday break and I look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for a very busy Term 3.

KEEP A WATCH ON OUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

Keep the number handy – 13 17 88 – and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

For more about the School Watch Program contact Education Queensland’s School Security Section on (07) 3237 0874.
WHAT’S HAPPENING

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- P&C Meeting – Tuesday 21st June

PRINCIPAL’S NOTE

Last Thursday the State Government announced that Year 7 will become part of high school in Queensland by 2015.

This has been practised at Cloncurry State School for over 10 years now. Our Yr 7 is integrated with Yr 8 though our multi-age structure and currently work to a secondary timetable. We provide core teachers for English, Maths, Science, Social Science and Physical Education. Students have access to specialist teachers for Music, Manual Arts, Graphics, Japanese, Business Studies and Drama etc.

The introduction of Prep in 2007 and raising the Year 1 entry age by six months the following year in 2008 means that by 2015 our Year 7 students will be in their eighth year of schooling and more than half of these students will turn 13 during the year. This is the right time for them to start high school. These students are looking for new learning challenges by this time.

The decision to move Year 7, and introduce Junior Secondary in state schools to support the transition of Years 7, 8 and 9, was made after extensive consultation last year during forums with parents and school communities around the state. Junior Secondary will be introduced by 2013 for Years 8 and 9, and will be in place to welcome our Year 7 students in 2015.

This important reform is of great benefit to students because it means they will have the same learning opportunities as their interstate counterparts once the Australian Curriculum is introduced. High school is a good environment for this age group in terms of their social, emotional and academic development.

This is an important reform that is strongly supported by Queensland’s key education stakeholders for the benefits it will bring to young people in the future.

For more information please visit www.qld.gov.au/flyingstart or contact me on 47 428 333.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday break. Christine Norton.

QMEA XSTRATA ENGINEERING CAMP

Congratulations to three of our year 11 students: Jake Wood, Grace Milton and Moses To’a who have been accepted into the QMEA Xstrata Engineering Camp. The engineering camp provides students with the opportunity to work with Engineers and other professionals on site-based projects whilst experiencing life in a mining community. The camp also gives students exposure to university life.

The camps are open to OP eligible senior students with a demonstrated interest and ability in engineering (or related professional) career pathways. Numbers for this camp were limited and our students needed to go through an application process to be accepted.

Jake, Grace and Moses will head off to camp this Friday and will spend almost two weeks working with other students and engineers to solve real worksite problems. All the best to these students, we hope you have a great time!

Japanese STAR KIDS AWARDS - SEMESTER 1

During the semester, as part of the positive behaviour plan implemented in Japanese class, the following students have been awarded Star Kids Awards.

Term 1
Year 9/10 - Kristine Adcock, Telisha Crisp, Sarah Telford, Paul T’Oa
Year 7 – Simone Burgess, Kelly-Jo Litchfield, Brodie Mazlin, Emma- Jade Molloy
Year 6 – Chantara Moreland, Thomas Reid, Taylah Juhas, James Allkens
Kum Sing, Jasmine Land, Ellie-Maree Harrison, Casey Fewquandie, Frances Cole

Term 2
Year 9/10 – Kristine Adcock, Telisha Crisp, Sarah Telford, Sally McGee
Year 8 – Shariene Hill, Bianca Sarmardin, Dean Roesser, Dykom Ikis
Year 6 – Ellie- Maree Harrison, Frances Cole, Brenton Rankine, Myah Scardamaglia, Chantara Moreland, Abbigael Noon, Jonathan March, Zac Richardson

These students are commended for their successful results, trying again and again, active participation, and their responsible behaviour in every lesson, every day. Well done! Bianca, Williams – LOTE teacher

GET ACTIVE NEWS

Last Thursday Miss Hodson and the Get Active children took a trip to Mt Isa to compete in a hockey competition. The Cloncurry team came 2nd overall and had lots of fun! A special mention goes out to Blanford, Kasey and Ethan who did a fabulous job at playing centre and to Miss Hodson who made the trip a possibility. Get Active will resume next term, week 2. See you then!

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.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to students who achieved 100% attendance this week!

P&C HOMEWORK SUPPORT CLASSES

Monday – Thursday
Homework Classes are on at 2.30pm to 3.30pm at the School Library. Everyone who has homework is welcome. Hope to see you there. A huge thank you to the parents who volunteer.

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

BREAKY CLUB- Students are enjoying the porridge to sustain them through the day. All the students find the ‘conveyor toaster’ a great novelty and it pushes out toast very efficiently for these hungry children. We are enjoying different types of bread like sultana loaf and wholemeal/wholegrain. On behalf of the Chaplaincy Committee, I take this opportunity to thank Craig and Deanne Hodgetts for donating this wonderful toaster. Please be mindful to help maintain this service by supporting the program with food or monetary donations. (Milk, bread, Milo in particular)

HERB AND FLOWER GARDEN - Students have been enjoying planting and maintaining the terrace garden. Parents / carers you are most welcome to come and enjoy the work they have done and share a cuppa with me.

Romans 12:9-10 Love must be completely sincere. Stop, hate what is evil, hold on to what is good. Love one another warmly as Christians, and be eager to show respect for one another.

May you all have a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to a great term 3. Blessings Miss Jenny.
**STAFF PROFILES**

My name is Helena Petrie and I have lived in Cloncurry since 1997. I have three children and they all went through school right here at Cloncurry State School. I am an Admin Officer at the school and have been working here since 2008. I enjoy doing my part for the kids of Cloncurry State School and love to see them progress.

Hi, my name is Ronald Major, known as Hombre to my friends and family. I am a Teacher Aide here at Cloncurry State School and have been since I started ten years ago. I am well known to staff and kids of our lovely school and would like to get to know some more of the new families that have come to Cloncurry. I work in the high school area from Grades 7-10 doing Man Arts, English, SOSE, Graphics and Maths. I am also involved in sports at the school and involved with the 14’s & 16’s club league. Cloncurry is a great place to be because you can do things like camping, fishing and bush walking and one of the things I love to do is keep my culture.

**P&C / TUCKSHOP NEWS**

**P&C MEETING**
The next General Meeting will be held on Thursday 21 July at 5.00pm in the school library.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Promise of the Week**

“All things that the Father hath are mine.” John 16:15a

**SUZY’S GYM & RECREATIONAL COMPLEX**

36 Short Street Cloncurry

PH: 47421400

**New Opening Hours**

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Wednesdays from 2:00 pm

@ Cloncurry Pharmacy

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
RAINBOW (PREP) NEWS

It's the last week of school already!

Congratulations to Kavya who received a first and third for her drawing and painting in the show and also Daniel who received a first for his drawing. Well done!

This week we have got 2 extra sets of hands in the classroom, Miss Popel a year 10 work experience helper from Charters Towers and Miss S from the high school here in Cloncurry. It has been wonderful to have you and good luck for the future.

This week we have been getting right into our 'Under the Ocean' unit work. The students have been learning about all the different parts of the ocean from the beach to the deep ocean and the different creatures that live in them.

Have a great holiday, see you in 2 weeks! Stephanie and Lesley.

GREEN (YEAR 1/2) CLASS NEWS

We've made it to the end of another term! This week we are busy finishing off our work from throughout the term and getting ready for term 3.

This Thursday at 2:00pm we have invited all parents along to come and see the amazing work that we've been doing this term. We will be showing our dioramas, salt dough animals, dinosaur reports, dream cloths and our book work too. Most children completed a written invitation for Thursday afternoon and took it home on Monday.

Students who were absent last week or have not finished their writing were given a typed copy to take home. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

We hope that you have a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone fresh and ready for term 3! Kaitlyn Hohns & Margo Hodson

PURPLE (YEAR 2/3) CLASS NEWS

Purple Class has had an unbelievably busy term; full of fun filled event activities and lots of learning. We would like to congratulate all students on their hard efforts towards completing all assessment items. WELL DONE EVERYONE! It is important that all students attend school this week as learning and reward activities will still be operating. Students will be receiving an information letter outlining whether they are on GOLD PASS or not. GOLD PASS will be held on the 24th June 2011 in the Purple Class room. Have a HAPPY and SAFE holiday. We can't wait till next semester learnings. Purple Class Teachers.

Student Equipment:

Does your child need any equipment such as pencils, rubbers, exercise books, rulers and colours? Please make sure all student belongings are named clearly with permanent marking. Thanks!

Reminders:

Students need to bring hat, shoes, healthy lunch and water bottle - EVERYDAY!

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

Wow it is hard to believe that another term is coming to a close! Time is flying by. Already we are halfway through 2011. Well, last week students finished all their assessment tasks and report cards have now been finalised and will be sent home this week.

This week students will be doing work to wind down the end of their units. For SOSE students will be completing their KWL chart that they started at the beginning of the unit. I think students will be surprised to compare what they knew at the start of the term with what they know now.

On parade this week we had a celebration ceremony to award those students who have worked well this term and have received good results for their efforts. This parade was also to commend students on working hard to improve their results.

This week will be Gold Pass. This will be held on Friday. Notes will be getting sent home this week.

We hope that you all have a wonderful and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing you next term!

Kelly Rozynski, Joy Paap, Rachel Rozynski and Dearne Hodgetts.