What an amazing term we have experienced and how fast did 9 weeks fly by? Interim Semester Reports will be posted tomorrow. Parent Reporting is in its final stages as we endeavour to develop a Personalised Learning Plan for every child attending Cloncurry State School. If you haven’t had an opportunity as yet please contact the Office and an appointment will be arranged for you.

The term’s Final Primary Parades will be held today and tomorrow in the Resource Centre. Midterm parades were well supported by parents. Students really enjoyed the class presentations and receiving acknowledgement of their academic progress in front of their peers and community so hoping to see you all here this week.

The launch of the “School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program” has continued this year as students strive to adhere to the school rules and be rewarded with “PB’s” (Personal Bests). An accumulation of PB’s wins classroom rewards, weekly parade draws and invitations to special events. The program has proven very successful and the end of term ‘celebrations’ have been enjoyed by many. A special thanks to the SWPBS Team for your brilliant organisation.

The ‘One Class – One Classroom’ Structure continues to be successful. Both students and teachers are enjoying having total ownership of the room and the increased ‘space’ has been fantastic for group work and class performances. Parents are encouraged to visit and participate in school events and activities.

My personal focus this term as Principal has been: “Be A Learner.” The academic success of our students across P-12 has been very rewarding to see. Student achievement is acknowledged every fortnight on the Whole School Parade and certificates of recognition provided to students to take home and add to their resume. All awards are listed in the newsletter so keep an eye out for your son/daughter/grandchild’s name.

Wishing everyone a Safe & Happy Easter Break!

Christine Norton
Cloncurry State School P-12

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27/03/13
Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2013 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). ICAS provides an opportunity for Year 3 – 12 students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation.

For many years the Parents and Citizens Association of Cloncurry State School has paid the entry fee for students to enter the Science, English and Mathematics Competitions – $8.80 per student per paper. These students will be nominated by their teachers. This practice will continue in 2013. If your child has not been nominated and you wish they participate in these subject areas please contact school.

The cost of participating in the Computer Skills ($8.80), Writing ($18.70) and Spelling ($12.10) competitions is not covered by the P&C however we encourage parents to consider these for their children.

Below is an outline of the competition schedule.

Please return the outline with a mark against the competitions you wish your child to participate in, along with payment. Students will not be nominated if full payment has not been received by Friday April 19, 2013.

Alternatively, if your child has been nominated and they do not wish to participate, or the date is inconvenient, please notify Liz Rannie so they can be removed from the nomination list. We are unable to change the sitting dates of the competitions.

Regards

Elizabeth Rannie
Head of Curriculum

Pete Keen
Deputy Principal

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Primary Parades

Thursday 28th March

9am Prep – Grade 3
1:30pm Grades 4 – 7
(Week 9)

Resource Centre

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

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.
Commencing week days
1st to the 15th of April
9am-2pm

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**Public holiday**

**Tuesday 7th** | Handball, lunch, movie, Cooking | Water bottle, sunscreen Allergy information |

**Wednesday 8th** | Swimming at the dam / lunch / movie | Water bottle, hat, sunscreen |

**Thursday 9th** | Stride on the ball sports | Water bottle/ hat / sunscreen |

**Friday 10th** | Stride on the ball sports | Water bottle, hat , sunscreen |

When: week days 9am—2pm
From 2nd –12th April
Where: PCYC youth Centre 120 King st Cloncurry
Cost: $20 PER day bring your own lunch or we can provide for an extra $4
Some activities may include additional cost. If children are not signed out by 2pm tit will incur additional cost per hour

**SPORT FOR LIFE’s**

**On the Ball HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

11th, 12th & 13th April 2013

**On The Ball** is part of the SPORT FOR LIFE program and is proudly supported by the Xtrata Community Program North Queensland

**NBL Brisbane Bullets Legend**

**LEARN BASKETBALL AND AFL SKILLS FROM...**

**LEROY LOGGINS**

**WNBL Townsville Fire Captain**

**RACHAEL FLANAGAN**

**AFL Indigenous All Stars Legend**

**DANIEL MOTLOP**

Learn basketball and AFL skills from... NBL Brisbane Bullets Legend Leroy Loggins

**THIS PROGRAM IS FREE!**

**LUNCH PROVIDED!**

**+COMPETITIONS!**

**+PRIZES!**

**On the Ball Holiday Program**

On The Ball is part of the Sport for Life program and is designed to encourage young people in Cloncurry aged 8-16 years old to increase their level of physical activity.

Sporting workshops are held during the school holidays for children and young people. The program not only encourages active participation in sport and recreation, but also builds general competencies including teamwork, respect for others, goal setting and leadership skills.

The program is facilitated by the Stride Foundation. The children and young people participate in basketball and AFL activities which are led by former and current elite level players and coaches. The program will be held at the PCYC Activities Hall, Daintree Street.

Stride Foundation wishes to sometimes utilise photos taken during our programs for promotional purposes. These images may be used in publications, promotional materials, broadcast, print and electronic media.

Stride Foundation will not use any photo in a manner that may be deemed adverse or defamatory and it will not use the photo for commercial gain. The photo will remain the property of Stride Foundation and any personal details associated with this photo will be secure and will be used for any purpose other than described here.

Name of participant: ______________________________________________________________________

Name of parent/guardian: __________________________________________________________________

PLEASE CIRCLE:

I permit / I do not permit ______________________ to participate in the On the Ball program.

I permit / I do not permit Stride Foundation to use images taken of ______________________ for publications or promotional material.

SIGNED: __________ DATE: __________________

For more information about On the Ball, contact Program Manager Eleanor Cesari on (02) 9502 3511 or email eleanor@stride.org.au

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LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

How is it that the sound of laughter is far more contagious than any cough, sniffle, or yawn.

While humour and laughter can cause a domino effect of joy and amusement for anyone in range, it is well researched that this activity can make us healthier.

Though it can be difficult to define what exactly makes humour funny, laughter has long been considered helpful to the healing process. Substantial research indicates that humour and laughter play a health role. Did you know that laughing:

- **exercises the internal organs** (great for the stomach muscles and the cardiovascular system),
- **with all that mouth opening and deep breathing, laughing gets more oxygen to the brain** (to enhance alertness and thinking),
- **boosts endorphins** (natural mood-elevating and pain-killing chemicals),
- **strengthens the immune system** (to help fight off disease.)

Laughter has also been shown to **improve pain tolerance, reduce stress, lower blood pressure, and protect the heart.**

The social effects too are many. They include:

- improving a person’s **optimism and outlook on life**
- **connecting** you to others – others will want to spend time with you
- fostering instant **relaxation**
- and most importantly **IT MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD**

Unlike more invasive therapies, laughter therapy is cheap and has no harmful side effects - not bad for such an enjoyable activity.

The great Groucho Marx who spent his movie life clowning around stated: **A clown is like an aspirin, only he works twice as fast.**

But Humour must be used with care. Children should not be exposed to inappropriate adult humour. Never use humour to offend or shame another person. It’s not about laughing at another person but ensuring everyone enjoys the joke. If you feel a need to laugh at someone make sure that that someone is you.

Laughter is a natural part of life. The part of the brain that connects to and facilitates laughter is among the first parts of the nervous system to come on line after birth. Infants begin smiling during the first weeks of life and laugh out loud within months of being born. Even if you did not grow up in a household where laughter was a common sound, you can learn to laugh at any stage of life. Now is the time.

Try these activities. They will benefit your child and you:

- Watch comedy DVD’s and TV shows
- Visit the circus – do some clowning around yourself
- Listen to comedy while driving – the news these days is very depressing
- Read comic authors/ tell jokes.
- Seek out funny people - spend less time with overly serious people.
- Bring humour into conversations. Tell and invite funny stories

Just practise smiling and laughing. If you have to - fake it till you make it

Let’s see more people laughing, and smiling. Our communities, including schools and workplaces, can only benefit.


Meegan Brown - Guidance Office - North Queensland
BREAKY CLUB NEWS - I thank all the wonderful parents and carers who have kindly donated cash and food supplies to help keep the breaky club running smoothly. This service is for any students who find for whatever reason they need to enter the classroom ready to learn with a full belly or just enjoy a chat! As one parent shared last week this service is helping her daughter be independent. The students show such excellent manners and enjoy sitting quietly and sharing conversation whilst enjoying a healthy breakfast it’s a joy to be part of this great start to the day. I thank the staff who have been filling in for me on occasions whilst away from the school, it is greatly appreciated.

WHY DO WE GIVE EASTER EGGS? - Easter is a Christian Festival celebrating new life. Christians remember that after Jesus, dying on the cross he rose from the dead. They believe that, through resurrection, Jesus offers people the promise of eternal life if they follow his teachings.

TERRIFIC TORTILLA’S ON TUESDAY- We have a very creative thinking Student Council team who are fundraising at the dance concert this evening by selling the amazing tortilla's. By the time you read this newsletter funds will be looking that much better to enhance the projects needed to be done around the school.

May you take time for yourself and family these holidays to gather your thoughts and reflect on the meaning of Easter.

Blessings to you one and all,
Ms Jenny School Chaplain

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**Secondary Celebration**

**Award**

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<td>Hunter Chong</td>
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<td>Consistent application of historical knowledge over the term to compete assessment very well</td>
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<td>Application to study &amp; participation in class to demonstrate her knowledge and understanding of Macbeth</td>
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**“Footsteps to the Future – Helping Little Feet Go Further!”**

The Student Council and the P&C Association would like to acknowledge the valued contribution and support from:

- Bell Rural Contracting, Cloncurry
- Auzscott Civil, Cloncurry (Rob Collins)
- Jim Molloy (Central Hotel)

for the building of the footpath from Prep to the undercover area.

Thanks **Deb Twomey**

**P & C President, Staff & Students at Cloncurry State School**

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Cloncurry State School 6
Hi to everyone,

We have made it, the last week of term. Congratulations to all of the students and their families for making Term 1 so amazing.

I would like to say a huge thank you to Kathleen, Eva and Malita for helping out this term. It has been truly appreciated. There is always room for more helpers in Rainbow A so maybe next term you might consider it.

Also some great news, our mealworms have found a new home for the holidays with Latarnia’s family so that is wonderful.

On behalf of Mrs Wood and myself, I would just like to end by saying have a lovely Easter break and a safe and happy holiday and we hope that all of you are refreshed and revitalised for more amazing learning experiences in Term 2.

We will see you then, until next term have a good one.

School resumes – Monday 15th April

Mrs McClafferty and Mrs Wood

Last week Rainbow B dived into a new topic in literacy called ‘Retell’. The class read a book called ‘The Three Little Bush Pigs’ and had to retell it through their own pictures and sentences. They did a fantastic job.

The sound -k, -ck and -key was introduced to students through a word sort. During handwriting practice students wrote lots of z Z. The class focus for sightwords was to see how many they knew from list 1 to 10. In guided reading sessions, students focused on fluency when reading and also looked at the start and end of a word to help them out when they get stuck.

Mathematics took Rainbow B into learning about subtraction of pictures and numbers in a horizontal and vertical layout. They now know what the equal sign and subtraction / takeaway sign looks like and means. Once again, practice makes perfect as they continue to count in 1s 2s 5s and 10s to 100.

Students participated in a lot of ongoing assessment and testing last week. This will continue over this week amongst all of our entertainment including the Dance Performance and Easter Egg Hunt and Hat parade.

All students require the specified handwriting text – Write for Queensland Book 1 which can be purchased from the local newsagency for just under $20. Thanks and have an amazing ninth week in term 1.

Miss Marina Childs
Wow!! Week 9 already!!

This week is such an exciting week for us! We have been busy making our Easter hats and baskets in preparation for Wednesday’s Easter bonnet parade and visit from the Easter Bunny.

Wednesday afternoon we are getting a visit from someone at Earnest Henry, who will be coming in to read to us and present us with our ‘Books in Homes’ packages.

This week we are also lucky enough to be having our PB reward day, which will be an Easter egg hunt. We are super excited about that!!

Thursday at 9 am is our primary parade. We have got so many certificates to give out to celebrate the fantastic learning that has been happening this term. On Thursday we are also having a morning tea for the students that have completed their homework consistently through the term.

I hope everyone has a fantastic Easter holiday!! Stay safe everyone and I look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 2.

Miss Jemma Regan

It is the end of term and holidays are here whoo whoo! Please have a lovely and safe holiday.

I would just like to thank the students for their hard work this term. I can’t believe what we have achieved. It is simply amazing. I would like to thank Miss Davina for helping with our Support a Reader, the children have improved so much. Also to Miss Feryl, Miss Val and Miss Tapp I would like to thank you for all your hard work this term it is a pleasure to work with you. Enjoy the Easter break, Happy Easter to you all and eat lots of chocolate. See you in Term 2 Happy holidays

Mrs Dearne Hodgetts

Dear Parents and Carers and Families

Term 1 is traditionally a pretty tough term, and this year has been no exception. There are great challenges for students as they move to higher levels of learning, and expectations of behaviour and independent learning are placed on them. I applaud Green Class students for meeting this challenge, and I look forward to ‘full steam ahead’ learning in Term 2.

‘I have found this term quite difficult. The work is harder than Year 2 and the tests are harder. I feel that I have learnt history, maths and handwriting.’

Dylan Rankine

‘My work is harder than when I was in Year 2. When I got to Year 3 my work got harder.’

Jayden Sarmardin

‘My work is starting to get easier each time I come and learn each day. I have enjoyed the term and am looking forward to next term.’

Mykhalia Douglas

‘I feel that I have improved in my reading because I am doing a lot more reading. I like reading.’

Shanna Gibson

‘When I do my sight words, I go up to a higher number in the sight word list. I like it when we play games with the sight words.’

Tarquaysia Anderson
Welcome to the last week of Term 1!
Lots of exciting things are happening this week in addition to the learning that will be taking place right up until we break up for Easter.
We have collected our lovely new books as part of the “Books in Homes” program and we will have some Books in Homes visitors coming into our classroom this week.
We look forward to seeing many of you at the Primary Parade on Thursday afternoon, as we celebrate academic achievement in term 1. Blue Class will be performing a humorous poem “Homework Excuses” by Isabella Swan.
Wishing you and your families a safe and enjoyable holiday break and I look forward to seeing you in term 2!

Miss Katrina Madigan

Congratulations Red Class on your fantastic work in Term 1! Everyone worked very hard and we have set goals for our future learning. The students came up with some very interesting creatures last week in science! I know I sure wouldn’t want to run into any of them! This week we have the primary parade at 1:30pm on Thursday. Students will receive their end of term PB reward as well on Thursday which is an Easter Egg Hunt! YAY!!! Have a fantastic Easter break and I will see you all next term!

Kind regards
Claire Oates

Last week in Orange class the students worked in pairs to conduct a science experiment. Students had to melt ice, wax, flour and cheese. After completing this they then had to classify the materials as reversible or irreversible. This experiment was for their assessment. It was great to see all students actively involved and using safety precautions when working with the candles. Last week also saw the last of our “Dance Fever” sessions. The students have participated in these sessions every Friday for the whole term. This has been a great opportunity and it was great to see students learning the new moves. Well it has come to the end of the term. I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing Easter break. I look forward to seeing you all next term.

Student of the week: Anthony Punch – for always trying his best.

Stay safe. Miss Rachel Rozynski

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