Welcome to the 2016 School Year. A very special welcome to all new students, families and staff.

We have had a fantastic start to the year with students presenting eager and ready to learn from Day 1. On our first classroom walk-throughs, Mr Baillie and I could almost hear the ‘learning buzz’ across all sectors of the school.

GREAT NEWS!!! 100% of our 2015 Year 12 students attained their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)...EXCELLENT WORK!!!

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2015 graduates, Hannah, Zane and Jasmine who sat the QCS (Queensland Core Skills) Test and attained an OP (Overall Position). Very well done. We wish you the best in your future pursuits and If you are heading off to university this year... head down and study...study...study!!!

The Term Calendar is filling fast with our first parade held last Monday and the first excursions for the year underway with our Year 11 students heading off on the Annual Yr 11 Leadership Camp and the next week and the Mid-West swimming carnival being held in Richmond.

I extend a very warm welcome all new families in our community and we look forward to meeting and working with you in the weeks to come. Parents are always welcome at our school and the Parents and Citizens Association would welcome your contributions and membership.

Have a great week.

Christine Norton | Principal

Every Child Every Day At School Learning
Welcome to Prep! It has been a wonderful start to the school year for our new Prep students. The children have been enjoying learning about new school routines and forming new friendships. Last week our letter sound focus was Ss and children created their very own slippery snake. I encourage parents to display the art work your children bring home and prompt them to tell you about the letters and sounds they are learning in the classroom. Congratulations to our award recipients for the fortnight; Georgina Connolly, Koby Baillie and Savannah Young for being letter/sound ‘Ss’ experts!

Mrs Nicole Jonkers

What a fabulous start to the year it has been in Rainbow B. This is my first year in Cloncurry and I have been welcomed with open arms and I am loving this wonderful community. We became ‘reading buddies’ with Year 5, Red Class. Red Class come down to our class and help us with our reading. We loved it and are looking forward to their next visit to our room.

Miss Fleur Hiscock

Welcome to 2016! I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Christmas break. Just a quick message about routines in Purple Class.

Monday – library – please bring a library bag for borrowing

Friday – Homework is due.

Daily – please return home reading. Books will be changed daily.

Looking forward to working with you all.

Have a great week!

Miss Rachel Rozynski

Hello! Welcome again to the families and students of Green Class. We have had a great start to the term getting to know each other and revising the rules. The students have created some eye-catching ‘All about me posters’ that you can see on display in the classroom. We have started discussing the assessment for term 1 and I’m very impressed with the students’ enthusiasm to start learning! I’m looking forward to a productive and enjoyable year.

Miss Sharni Hall

What a week Blue Class has had. In English we looked at nouns, verbs and adverbs and we are reading ‘The Twits’ by Roald Dahl. In Maths we have been spending some time looking at numbers and doing some addition problems. In Geography we are learning the difference between natural and man-made environments. It is great to see so many students participating and ready to learn. I looking forward to a wonderful term and year.

Miss Kelly Rozynski

Welcome Red Class of 2016 and what a fantastic start to the year we have had! We are getting straight into our work this term as we explore how animals have different structural and behavioural adaptations to help it survive in their environments. Some have been interesting, strange, intriguing and even disgusting. Homework has been handed out this week and needs to be returned by Friday to the homework box in the classroom. Have a good week!

Mr Gene Harvey
AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

Orange Class - Yr 5/6

Welcome back everyone, to 2016. Will have some news for you next week!

Warm regards,
Miss Lizzie (Elizabeth Keim)

Junior Secondary - Yr 7 & 8

Comments from the Year 7 students on their first week of school:

Baileigh - I have learnt about cubed numbers and index notation. It’s easier than it looks. Trust me.
Penny - I learnt about square numbers and how to calculate them on a scientific calculator.
Jaylee - I didn’t realise how much fresh water there was on Earth and that we MUST use it wisely.
JJ - It was fun going to ITD which is Industrial Technology and Design. We will be making a toy car.
Brianna - I really enjoy learning about a new culture. In Japanese we are counting to ten.
Patricek - I learnt about camera shots. There are close-ups, medium and long shots.
Chelsea - I have learnt a lot of new information about different subjects such as Medieval History.

Mr Berniece Cumming

Year 8

What a fantastic week in Crimson B we have had so far. This week in geography we have learned what landforms create certain landscapes. We were able to associate this with our own personal surroundings because of the unique place we live in. We have been able to identify materials in three different states during our Science lessons. We cannot wait to get into the lab for some experiments next week.

Miss Wignell

Senior Secondary - Yrs 9,10,11,12

Year 9/10 Art "I am"

Students are learning a variety of drawing techniques using various mediums. We have practised with lead pencil, charcoal and wax crayons so far. Students will also be learning about how to lay out a successful composition using their knowledge of the elements and principals of design. By the end of this term students will be expected to create a self-portrait drawing.

9/10 Science

Miss Drenkhahn’s class have been having a ball in the lab over the first two weeks, but now it's time for Mr Patel to come in. We've been looking at electrical circuits and pH in order to prepare for conductivity testing of soil for our assessment, but we will cover heat transfer, light refraction and sound travel before the end of term.

9/10 Maths

Each of our classes are travelling at a different speed this term, but all our teachers are very impressed at the effort all our 9/10's are putting in this term. We are revisiting linear equations, looking at practical applications (like finding the distance between two points on a map).

11/12 Science 21

Students have already begun part of their assessment, which will look at various details and processes required for a move to Mars. So far we are creating a homemade water filter and will be testing it in the coming weeks.

Yr 11/12 Visual Art in Practice – "Figure Drawing"

Students are also learning how to use different drawing mediums and how to combine them in different and interesting ways. We have been drawing the mannequins and skeletons and our hands and shoes. Students will eventually create a composition that includes an aspect of figure within it and then display these artworks in a public space. They will also write a brief statement as to what their artwork is about and what choices they made when creating it.
# AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

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<td>Nathaniel Oliver</td>
<td>Displaying great learning behaviours in the classroom all week. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Ella Flonasca, Tahlia O’Pray, Bella Sprenkeler, Bo Caldwell, Declan Molloy</td>
<td>Making a great start to the year with their class work and setting realistic goals to help their learning</td>
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<td>Bailey Williams, Ella Flonasca, Jayden McArdle, Rashaun Owens, Josh Gabbert</td>
<td>Team Victory - For winning the first round of our team behaviour challenge</td>
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<td>William Coffison</td>
<td>For being a great volunteer and helper for Mrs Armstrong on day one</td>
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<td>Mita Asquith</td>
<td>For actively contributing and doing his best in ITD elective</td>
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<td>Year 8 Crimson B</td>
<td>Samantha Coffison, Hannah Costello, Brittney Crisp, Shontelle Dempsey, Shari Douglas, Joel Earl, Brandee Ferguson, Tamika Herson, Taylor Jacobson, Allen Land, Alex Macnamara, Siôn Rankine, Sarah Reid, Kiaschia Samardin, Phillip Turner, Chelsea Wehrman, Jamie Wheeler</td>
<td>For successfully participating and settling into a new school routine with ease and focus</td>
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<td>AJ Armstrong-Reilly, Cyleeah Atta-Singh Britton</td>
<td>Immediate and positive response to feedback</td>
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Dear students and parents,

Welcome back to 2016! The music team is already cooking up an exciting year of music making, full of opportunities for students to show off their musical skills. At the end of Term 2 we will be doing another combined school musical with St Joseph’s. It is called, “Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies.” It’s a musical full of tights, fights and footlights! Permission slips and audition scripts have been sent home and auditions will take place during school hours on Friday the 12th of February.

If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to ask!

Yours in music,
Miss Donovan
Get Involved

SORT Recycling is a not-for-profit social enterprise that aims to reduce the amount of waste going to landfill and, along the way, to create new skills and jobs. We transform the stuff you throw away into things you’ll want to keep forever.

We are in need of donations of useful items including:
- Empty pots for plants for our nursery.
- Old furniture.
- Solid lengths of timber.
- Paint and paint brushes.

Come see us on Ramsay Street (next to Woolworths Petrol Station)
Like us on Facebook @ Sort Cloncurry
Phone: 4742 0544
Email: cloncurry@sort.org.au

TEEN TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS SURVEY

How close are you to your teen? How much do you know about them?
Help us understand how parenting and family relationships affect teen behaviour and emotions.
If you have a teenager between the ages of 11 and 18 years old, complete a brief and anonymous 30-minute survey about your parenting, your relationship with your teen and their wellbeing. Your teenager can take part in a similar anonymous survey about their behaviour and emotional wellbeing. Your participation in our research is greatly appreciated!

This research is voluntary and confidential.
For further information and to take part in the survey, please visit:
https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentingteens/project/tribulations Or contact: parentingteens@uq.edu.au.

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2016 school calendar
Queensland state schools

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JANUARY 2017

Confidential

There are 193 school days in 2016. Semester 1 2017 commences for teachers on January 19 and for students on January 23.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS
Staff professional development days for teachers are January 21, 22, 25, April 6, 7, 8, and October 17. Schools are able to decide when their flexible days will be held, as long as they are in the school holidays or out of school hours.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
Public holidays are set by the Industrial Relations Minister. Public holidays for a local show are not shown due to diversity of dates across the state.

FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE
November 18 is the final date for year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. November 25 is the final date for student attendance in years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the Summer holidays on December 2.
The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication (November 2015) but may be subject to change.

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