

Condamine Bulletin

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Principal Messages

Parent – Teacher Meetings

Thank you to all parents who made the time to meet with classroom teachers this week to discuss your child's progress. These meetings provide a formal opportunity to update parents on vital learning information and next step ideas.

2018 Acting Principal

It is with great pleasure that I announce Karen Long will be acting principal in my absence at the beginning of 2018. As Karen is a current staff member, she will ensure that current practices are implemented and continue to drive our school in a positive direction. Congratulations Karen!

Playgroup/Book Week

A reminder that next week, Tuesday 14th, will be the final playgroup for 2017. On this day we will also celebrate book week and under 8's. Please remember, students are invited to dress up as their favourite book character on this day.

P-2 Excursion

Mrs Walker has organised an excursion for the P-2 class for Friday 17th November. Students will be visiting Columboola Education Centre to complete Science activities linked to their current unit of studies. It will be an exciting and fun day. No cost will be incurred by parents.

Swimming

Swimming starts in a couple of weeks. Please ensure, if you have not already done so, that you return your permission note as soon as possible. If your note is not returned, unfortunately we will be unable to take your child to these sessions.

Student Council

Student council are close to achieving their goal of purchasing new soccer goals for our school. With this, they have decided to conduct a couple of final fundraising schemes. Each Friday from now until the end of term, student council will be selling icy cups at 2nd break for 50c each.

Also, on Friday 1st December, they will be holding an exciting 1st time event for Condamine – a Colour Run. Please keep your eye out for information going home regarding this event.

Date Claimers

14th November

Playgroup

Book week – dress up

P&C Meeting

17th November

P-2 Excursion

20th November – 22nd November

Swimming

27th November – 28th November

Swimming

30th December

Year 6 Graduation

1st December

Colour Run

6th December

Awards Ceremony

Drop Off Times

A reminder that our school drop off time is 8:45am due to staff supervision. If your child needs to be dropped off early, please make arrangements with school staff.

Awards Ceremony

This year we will be hosting our awards ceremony the evening of Wednesday 6th December. Invitations will go out this week. We hope everyone can join us in celebrating our students' successes of 2017.

Classroom News

P – 2

In English, students have begun their assessment, writing a personal response to a narrative they have read this term. They will present their finalised response to the class next week.

Maths has involved collecting, recording and graphing data, learning strategies for solving number stories and problems, measuring mass, capacity and length, and exploring addition situations.

Students have begun their Geography assessment, involving collecting data about places, suggesting ways places can be cared for, creating maps, and giving directions to specific places.

In Science, students have begun creating boats to meet a set criteria. They have designed, created and tested their boats. Next week they will re-test and evaluate their boat before presenting their findings to the class.

CHALLENGE: Ask your child how many marbles their boat held 😊

Kind Regards,

Mrs Walker and Mrs Barkle



3 – 6

Last week, students began presenting their final English assessment pieces; a spoken procedure from a narrative character. Students have done a terrific job on this and it has been wonderful to see them get into character for their presentations. At the conclusion of our assessment, students will complete a range of revision activities; so every day still counts.

Throughout the term, students have been revising a range of concepts in mathematics including, probability and number. Students have also been sitting their final exams for the year; I am sure they will be glad when they are over. Having said this, students have been pleased with their results so far and continue to strive for improvement (a wonderful quality to have).

After learning a range of dance moves from various genres, students are now choreographing their very own dances. Students have been given Christmas stories to interpret and adapt into dances (choosing their own songs to accompany). So far, they have been working extremely well in their groups and incorporating a range of moves. We look forward to seeing their end products.

Student of the Week



Adrian



Bethany



Libby



Tommy

History

Year 5 and 6

Students have finished their assessment for this unit. They are currently creating a digital profile on a significant person from colonial Australia. This person may be an explorer, humanitarian, artist, writer, religious leader, politician etc.

Year 3 and 4

Students have finished their assessment for this unit. They are currently doing activities which investigate other celebrations around the world to finish the unit.

Science

Years 3-6

Students have completed their assessment for Term 4. We are now reviewing the scientific procedure and principles of a fair test. Through a series of hands on activities, including cooking, students have reviewed change of state and irreversible reactions.

Playgroup

This week students have a Melbourne Cup themed day. They made pool noodle hobby horses to participate in their very own Melbourne Cup horse race. Students enjoyed a number of books around the topic of 'horses'.

Next week will see the final playgroup session for the 2017 school year. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Book Club

This week the final book club brochures for 2017 went home. Please be reminded that if you are making purchases for book club, use the loop order link provided on the final page of the brochure. Unfortunately we are unable to process cash orders at school. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact administration.

Also, if you are purchasing gifts through book club, please advise staff how you would like this managed (sending home options)

Student of the Week



Alastair



Ava



Travis



Will B



23rd October 2017

Dear Business Proprietors

RE: 2017 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS STREET CARNIVAL

Following positive responses from residents to previous year's Christmas Street Carnival, Miles Chamber will be hosting the event again this year. Organisation of the 2017 Christmas Street Carnival is well underway with the date being set as Thursday 7th December 2017. The Carnival will again be held in Anzac Park.

Assistance is sought from business proprietors, in our endeavours to again capture the enthusiasm from residents for this event and would like to encourage those appropriate business houses to extend their trading hours on that day until approximately 6.00pm.

Due to popular demand, we will again be raffling the giant stocking, drawn on the night. Jo Guymer, on behalf of the Chamber, will call during the week beginning 6th November requesting a small donation in this regard. Alternatively you may drop your donation off to Abrahams by that date. Please mark your donation for advertising purposes, so we do not double up on work. As you would appreciate the collection of goods is a timely exercise.

The proceeds from the sale of the tickets go towards paying for expenses incurred in relation to the carnival.

If you feel you are able to assist with the selling of these tickets, we would be most grateful.

As in the past, activities for the children will be available with jumping castles, a merry-go-round and other activities being organised. The main entertainment for this year will include David and Valerie Hastie from the "Memphis Movers" and Noel Sheridan (a roving entertainer) as well as local talent. It is hoped that these activities will generate interest and the event will be well attended.

We also expect to have a number of craft/market persons wishing to operate a stall on the night to sell their wares.

If you have any major objections or concerns in regard to this year's carnival please do not hesitate to contact Rachel Kerwick or myself.

The Miles Chamber of Commerce is committed to staging another successful street carnival and your support would be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

Jo Guymer
(0439 627 845)

Australia Day Nominations Now Open!

Nominate your local hero for an Australia Day Award

Categories for each district include:

Citizen of the Year
Young Citizen of the Year
Junior Cultural Award
Senior Sports Award

Sports Administrator/ Coach/ Official Award
Community Project/ Event of the Year
Certificate of Achievement Award for
Year 12 Dux recipients

It only takes a few minutes to fill out the nomination form and acknowledge our unsung local heroes

Nominations close 28 November 2017

Nominate online now!

For more information
visit www.wdrc.qld.gov.au
or phone 1300 COUNCIL



ACOUSTIC GUITAR SPECTACULAR
2017 QLD TOUR



SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER
LEICHARDT HALL, MILES

Guitar Workshop 2-3pm
with Michael Fix—see MRAC facebook page

Show Starts 4.30pm | Doors open 4pm

Tickets at the Door | Bar operating

Table Bookings: Dogwood Crossing 4628



Don't throw it away!

Miles Chaplaincy Committee


Auction

Miles High School

March 2018

Grab a 30cm x 30cm canvas and capture your thoughts and feelings around the theme 'Celebration' using your favourite medium.

It can be celebrating a party with friends, birthdays, anniversaries, a community event, a feast day, national holiday, or simply the joy of living—there's always something to celebrate.



30 x 30 CELEBRATION
Curved Wall Community Exhibition
18 November 2017 - 23 January 2018

COST: \$15 per 30cm x 30cm canvas
Contact Dogwood Crossing, Miles on 4628 5330 or dogwood.crossing@wdrc.qld.gov.au to purchase a canvas.

People's Choice Awards will be announced at the conclusion of the exhibition.

Return your canvas to Dogwood Crossing by 5pm, Thursday 16 November

