



THE OCCASIONAL Term 3-Week 10 2006

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

DATE	EVENT	COST/TIME
Friday 15 th September	Rollerskating	
16 th , 17 th , 18 th September	Blues Fest Catering – Volunteers still needed!!	See article below for more info.
Tuesday 19 th September	Family Planning Parent Workshop.	3.30 – 5.00 No Bus Run!!
Friday 22 nd September	Last day of Term 3	
Monday 9 th October	First day of Term 4	
Saturday 21 st October	SPLASH Festival @ Chamber's Island	
Monday 23 rd October	Pupil Free Day	Teacher's First Aid Refresher Course

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help with Blues Festival

Can anyone offer assistance over this coming weekend with our catering at the Sunshine Coast Blues Festival September 15th -17th? We are putting together a roster, which still has blank shifts. If you can help for a short time it would be appreciated. Contact Bradley (0423348114) or the High schoolers for more information. It will be a fun experience to listen to some jazz and you will have a great time I assure you.

We've been offered a stall site for the annual festival selling the basic fare of chips hamburgers etc. alongside a Thai, South American and Coffee stalls. Last year was the 1st S.C Blues and over 600 attended the 3 days and it is expected to grow each year. So it's a good chance to have a reliable, fun, profitable, predictable annual fundraiser much like Woodford Kids Café. We are dropping out of the Muster as it is very stressful and the timing is wrong. The school is expected to maintain and grow in it's fundraising activities by governing bodies and we don't target internal fundraising. This is a great opportunity so please help...

Check out the Blues program at <http://www.blues.com.au/>

There was some confusion about whether the last Friday of term was a training day with Dr Ramesh but it isn't as his visit has been postponed.

SCHOOL FLAGPOLE We wish to acknowledge the Australian Government's Flagpole Funding Initiative following the purchase, installation and opening ceremony of our new school flagpole.

THANKS TO ALEX YARKER – for the donation of Roller Coaster Tycoon and Add on Pack Computer games for the school collection.

THE NEW BUS!... Thanks to Kel's negotiations, the school has purchased a 24 seat Nissan Civilian. It is currently in Brisbane for registration and flashing lights.

As soon as we have it in service, the Coaster will be for sale.



WELCOME A big welcome to our new school secretary, Tracey, who started working with us last week. Tracey will be working here two days a week, every Monday and Tuesday. We're sure your time with us will be invaluable and memorable.

Angela is in on a Thursday to do book keeping. **Judy** is back after a very long break as school officer 3 days. **Get well Rosemary** who's back is doing nasty things and **Christine** is back home and doing well...

RUSSELL'S INDIAN SOJOURN - If you haven't heard I'm going to India for the month of October (1st to 30th) with Nick, Gouranga, Zoe and Ratarani. So Louise and Marguerite and team are at the helm for 3 weeks. It's an opportunity to recuperate after a very long period of huge stress with building etc. I work through Christmas break/ new year with Woodford and budgets etc for the following year and all other holidays for the last 3 years have been building projects dominated.

No I don't have any room left to pick up a sarong etc ..I'm sorry!!

LOST PROPERTY There is a **HUGEMUNGOUS** collection of lost property since the 30th birthday so the next time you are dropping or picking up children come and check out lost property to see if you recognise anything that belongs to your child.

REMEMBERING - Did your child mention that on Tuesday last week we had a short moment to remember Steve Irwin. The Queensland flag was flown at half mast and we had two minutes silence after which those who wanted to participate, said a few words about Steve and we talked about the work that he had done in conservation and how that could be continued.

TUCKSHOP – This week's tuckshop is "Pass Da Pasta". Just a reminder that the prices are \$2.50 each or \$4.00 per family. This beautiful food is being prepared by Alex Y, Melissah, Kirsten and Leah.

Swimming and Gym are on this week and next – Swimming is now on Wednesday. Next term we hope to continue swimming and Fridays will be excursions that include swimming. Gym may not continue as it gets very hot but the question is being asked. Rosie and tennis? Haven't asked yet.

We are currently in the process of planning next term's timetable so if you have suggestions please let us know...

Indonesian will continue but there may be some interruption by Splash. **Pottery** with Kari is going up and we'd love a contradeal pottery afternoon. **Textiles** now with Fleur and Karen will be in our Term 4 timetable. **Media/Photography** will hopefully be more structured with Jess at the helm and a **Music Program** also. **Woodwork** should go ahead as we finally are getting the new area completed. **IT** with Tim squeezed in with his other duties. **Kendo** with Paul. **WHAT CAN YOU BRING...? LET US KNOW...!**

MIDDLE PRIMARY NEWS

Last Wednesday the children created some wonderful robots out of recycled junk. They are working on manuals which they will present to the class next week with their robot. Last Sunday was National Bilby Day and tomorrow we will be doing mini projects on the Bilby and doing an experiment with rice on how bilbies thermo regulate in the desert. In Science this week we will be doing experiments about water pollution. Ask your child about evaporation, condensation and precipitation. Jye bought us in some precipitation that occurred at his place on the weekend for Monday morning circle. Thanks Jye!

UPPER PRIMARY NEWS

Along with our theme of "The Elements", we had a lesson on Monday from Helen, a pre-service teacher, who gave us a basic outline on weather predicting and the instruments used by meteorologists. She then helped the children build their own set of data collection instruments. We will collect data in a weather diary for a few weeks and discuss patterns that develop. This theme will continue through part of Term 4, as there is a lot to explore.

HIGHSCHOOL NEWS

Work is dominated by the Blues BBQ this week, thanks to Judy and Karen for their huge input. We've all been adjusting to the changes that have occurred recently, which now sees Russell back on the Maths curriculum, Donna offering Textiles studies, Dave fibreglassing and Fleur finishing off her Drama project.

ART NEWS

Our Splash preparations are full steam ahead, with a big thanks to Spotlight for sponsoring part of our project. The students from Louise's, Wendy's and the Highschool have been working on lino cuts which they are just about ready to print on fabric, in order to make flags.

We desperately need donations of ribbons, (all colours, types and thicknesses) and thin bamboo sticks (preferably no thicker than about 1.5cm, 1.5mtr to 2mtr long), also off cuts of conduit and poly pipe. Thanks to Karen for her offer of help on this project

Tarago Off to a Good Home

It's with great excitement I share this wonderful story.....last Monday a lovely ol gentlemen named Basil flew from Cairns to collect the Tarago. He was acting on behalf of the Cairns Community Church helping to support a South African family with 6 children. The family was granted asylum in Australia 9months ago. With very limited English skills and many other challenges they've faced living in a foreign country ...the couple managed to save a great deal of money for a vehicle to transport their large family. The C C Church has taken them under their wingassisting with remainder of cash needed to buy the Tarago and flying Basil down to inspect and collect. Basil feels the family will be a great asset to our country. So our trusty Tarago has gone off to a very good home.

Strict new procedures have been developed by the Queensland Government regarding prescription and over-the counter medication in schools. Our school is committed to working closely with parents and students to highlight the risk of students misusing these medications. All parents/caregivers must:

- notify our school in writing of a health condition requiring medication at school
- request in writing if school staff are to administer medication or assist in the management of a health condition
- notify our school in writing of any requests and/or guidelines from medical practitioners including potential side effects or adverse reactions
- provide the medication in the original labelled container to the nominated staff member
- ensure the medication is not out of date and has an original pharmacy label with the students name, dosage and time to be taken
- notify our school in writing when a change of dosage is required. This instruction must be accompanied by a

letter from a medical practitioner

advise our school in writing and collect the medication when it is no longer required at school.

PCYC GETS HOLIDAY CIRCUS AT DISCOUNT!!!

The Police Citizens Youth Club at Nambour has bagged a special attraction for the September school holidays:- a complete circus, at the lowest ticket prices in Australia!

For the middle weekend of the holidays, Thursday 28th September to Sunday 1st October, the club will present the Eden Brothers Good Time Circus – complete with monkeys, clowns, jugglers and whip crackers – twice daily at 2pm and 7pm.

Everyone goes at children's prices - \$10 or \$12 for the front two rows (under 3's are free) with a percentage of the tickets sales and canteen proceeds going to the PCYC to help local youth.

Eden Brothers Good Time Circus brings performing monkeys, dogs and ponies, balancing acts, jugglers, fire-twirlers, unicyclists, whip-cracking, clowns and comedy galore – a two hour international standard program with an interval to give the littlies a break – all under an intimate "big top" with no seat more than five from the front.

Tickets can be bought from the club in Youth Avenue, Nambour or on the net at www.aladdinstix.com.au with all credit cards accepted. Tickets can also be purchased at the door for all shows. Phone inquiries to 5441 2915.

A SEMINAR for TEENAGE GIRLS

Sunshine Coast 1 November 4pm-9pm & Brisbane 4 November 8.30am-12.30pm

The women from Ladies Initiating Prosperity and Success (aka LIPS) have joined forces with other professional and talented ladies in a joint passion; to empower our teenage girls to help them make better choices for their lives now and in the future.

This seminar is the very first of its kind and has been designed to share information on how teenage girls and their guardians can cope with the transformative years. It provides real solutions and strategies to assist our girls in making empowered, happier, healthier and more prosperous choices now *and* well into their adult lives.

Teenage girls will discover how to use and develop Life Skills to

- ★ Understand *who they are* and *what they want out of their life*.
- ★ *How to make better choices*.
- ★ *Understand how the actions they are taking now are modeling their future*.
- ★ *How to communicate* effectively with family, friends and the opposite sex.
- ★ How to *respect themselves within a relationship*, when are they ready for Sex?
- ★ How to *deal with partner and peer pressure*.
- ★ How to *set and achieve goals*.
- ★ How to *life balance - fit in school, work, family time & social time* not to mention 'their' time
- ★ *Understand Money, how to get it, how to manage it* and how to set themselves up for a prosperous future
- ★ How to *develop their natural beauty* and how to get the health results they want.
- ★ How to *boost their confidence and value themselves*.
- ★ How to *rise above 'mean girls', put downs, queen bees & other wanna bees*.

BOOK NOW FOR JUST \$49 per person at our website www.ReadMyLips.com

