

NEWSLETTER NO.27 - 9th October 2013

From the Principal

I will be absent from school for a period of time as my son has had a motor vehicle accident. He is currently in the Gold Coast University Hospital recovering. I will be with him there. An acting Principal will be appointed and the community will be informed when the decision has been made.

Belinda Eckford

School
Swimming
Lessons
Commence 11/10/13

Pre-
Eisteddfod
Concert 14/10/13

Instrumental
Band at
Eisteddfod 15/10/13

Student
Free Day 21/10/13

Vision Real Estate Bursaries

Congratulations to Katie and Jaime-Lee on receiving award for Academic Excellence at the end of Term 3. Well done girls!!

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Student of the Week – 12th September

Congratulations to the following students for achieving Student of the Week in week 10 of Term 3:

<i>Prep B Mrs Becker</i>	<i>Lily</i>	Being an outstanding student in all areas of your school life.
<i>Prep C Mrs Clarke</i>	<i>Lilly</i>	For an outstanding history presentation, your information was awesome!
<i>Yr 1/2S Ms Smith</i>	<i>Max</i>	For being a happy 1/2S student. Good luck in NSW. We will miss your smile.
<i>Yr 1S Ms Swettenham</i>	<i>Haley</i>	For being a kind and helpful class member.
<i>Yr 2L Miss Lorenz</i>	<i>Delacruz</i>	For great work in maths this week! Keep up the great work.
	<i>Bailey</i>	For a great job in writing.
<i>Yr 2/3P Mrs. Peltonen</i>	<i>Roly</i>	For always having a positive attitude towards school work.
<i>Yr 3O Mr O'Hara</i>	<i>Ben</i>	For a great use of similes in your story. Well done!!!
<i>Yr 3S Ms Swift</i>	<i>Lily-Rose</i>	For completing all set tasks and working independently. You rock!!
<i>Yr 4M Miss Armstrong & Mrs Wicks</i>	<i>Sebastyn</i>	For working conscientiously and consistently on all classroom tasks.
<i>Yr 4/5B Mr Brandon</i>	<i>Daffa</i>	For working well in class.
<i>Yr 5/6B Miss Brooks</i>	<i>Conor</i>	For coming up with a creative Science project. Well done!
<i>Yr 5/6 Mr Stafford</i>	<i>Mia Fisher</i>	For working well on classroom activities.
<i>Music Ms Elliott</i>	<i>Katherine Prep B</i>	For excellent understanding of musical concepts and wonderful participation in music lessons.

Student of the Week – 19th September

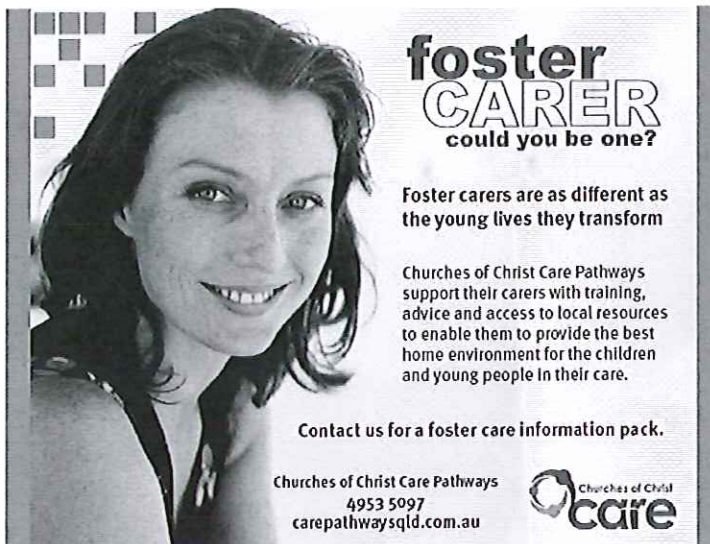
Congratulations to the following students for achieving Student of the Week in week 11 of Term 3:

<i>Prep B Mrs Becker</i>	<i>Katherine</i>	For being a ridiculously radical reader reaching over 100 books on RAZ KIDS. You rock!
<i>Prep C Mrs Clarke</i>	<i>Cayleb</i>	For OUTSTANDING progress in all subject areas this semester.
	<i>Claudia</i>	For being a valued member of Prep C.
<i>Music Ms Elliott</i>	<i>Luka Prep C</i>	For excellent singing, rhythm recognition and behaviour in Music Lessons.

Community Notices

EARLYAQTION OUTREACH PROGRAM MACKAY-WHITSUNDAYS REGION

EarlyAQtion Outreach Programs are available to children, and their families, with an autism spectrum disorder up to the age of 7 years, living in specific areas of North Queensland including Mackay, Proserpine, Bowen, Airlie Beach, Moranbah, Sarina and some of the surrounding areas. Each program caters to your individual family needs, with some common issues addressed including communication, behavioural issues, sensory processing issues, fine & gross motor skills, play skills, and daily living (such as eating, toileting and self care). *Please contact Ann-Marie Watson on 48418300 for further information.*



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Time to Arrive at School

Please ensure your child does not arrive at school prior to 8 am at the very earliest as there is no one to supervise them at school. It is preferred that students arrive at 8:30 am as this allows them adequate time to prepare for lessons and does not necessitate them being in the Undercover Area for an extended period of time – it does get quite boring. We are now ringing the bell at 8:30 so that children know it is time to go to class. If the teacher has a meeting and the door is closed children will return to the Undercover Area until they are collected. It is very pleasing to see the children adhering to this rule and it does make for a more orderly school.

School Swimming Lessons

Please remember that swimming lessons commence this Friday. The teachers will be supervising the students to and from the pool. Whilst at the pool the children will be under the direction of the swimming instructors. Please ensure your child brings bathers, towel, goggles (if required), sun-safe swimming shirt, sunblock, swimming bag, thongs. Everything must be named.

The times are as follows:-

9.30-10.30 – 5/6S, 5/6B, 4/5B

10.30-11.30 – 4M, 3O, 3S

11.30-12.30 – 2L, 2/3P, 1/2S

12.30-1.30 – Prep B, Prep C, 1S

Head Lice

Unfortunately we have already had some cases of head lice reported within the school. Please check your child's hair thoroughly and ensure that you carry out the necessary treatments if required.

Pre-Eisteddfod Concert

On Monday 14th October there will be a concert in our school hall, commencing at 6pm. School groups which will be representing our school in the Mackay Eisteddfod will be performing. Groups involved will include our two choirs and the instrumental ensemble. All students and parents are welcome to attend. Students currently in Year 3 who are interested in participating in the instrumental program next year are especially encouraged to come along. Students who are performing are asked to arrive by 5.3pm and to wear full school uniform. Students who will be competing in the Eisteddfod in solo events are also welcome to perform on this night. Please contact the music teacher, Ms Jeany Elliott if you would like to perform.

School Dental Service

The School Dental Service is offering examinations and treatment at North Mackay Primary School for students enrolled in years prep to 6 at Bucasia State School. If you would like to have your child's teeth checked please complete

the medical consent form that will be sent home with every child today, and hand it back to the school office by Friday 18th October 2013. The dental staff will then be in contact to arrange an appointment. A parent or guardian must attend this appointment with their child.

P&C Notices

P&C Meeting

The next meeting will be held next Wednesday, 16th October 2013, in the school library at 7.00pm. New members are always welcome.

Slushie Machine

Unfortunately the Slushie Machine in the tuckshop is still away for repairs. There are NO slushies available till further notice. Hopefully it will not be too much longer.

Magpie News

You may be relieved to hear that during the school holidays our resident swooping school magpie was captured and relocated 100km away by Peter the Magpieman from Proserpine. Whilst a new magpie may move in to claim the territory, we are hoping that any future maggies will not be as vicious! Parents, please make students aware that whilst the magpie at the school has been removed, there are a number of other maggies in the Bucasia/Shoal Point area who are still nesting and are protecting their territories, so remain vigilant and stay safe.

SEU Sausage Sizzle - Term 3

I would like to thank Marika, her father Snow, Stacey, Glenda, and Sally for their assistance on the last day of term with the barbeque sausage sizzle for the Special Education Unit. We have sold almost all of the sausages that were donated by Coles, and will give the final tally of how much was raised for the Unit next week, combining the election day and end of term sausage sizzle.

As always, please do not hesitate to see me or any P&C member with any enquires or concerns you may have. Sarah-Jane Thompson 0429613249

Pre-Prep Program 2013

Book one of the following dates and come along with your 2014 Prep child to orientate them to our wonderful school.

Ready for Prep Play Dates:-

Tuesday 29th October

Tuesday 26th November

Pre-prep Orientation Classroom Visits:-

Monday 25th November 9.30am-11.30am

Thursday 28th November 9.30am – 11.30am

You can register for any of the above at the school office. Please pass this information on to anyone that you know that may have a child starting Prep next year.

Enclosures

- School Term Calendar – Term 4 – Green
- Dental Medical Consent Forms – White (one for everyone)