



REMINDERS

- Please nominate for Friday Fun Food and Schoolhouse Cleaning on the roster outside the office
- No Friday Fun Food this week
- See Play Group roster outside the office
- P&C meeting next Monday, 20 July, at 3:15pm

DATE CLAIMERS

- Jul 15 OSHC Meeting 3:15pm (Kylie Brannelly QCAN)
- Jul 20 P&C Meeting 3:15pm
- Jul 23-24 District Athletics
- Jul 25 P&C Sausage Sizzle / Cake Stall (Brookfield Produce)
- Jul 31 National Tree Day (Catchment Kids Yrs 3-7)
- Aug 04 ICAS English Competition
- Aug 12 Exhibition Holiday
- Aug 13 Student Free Day
- Aug 17 P&C Meeting 3:15pm
- Aug 26-27 PEEC Clay Workshop (Ainsley, Chelsea, Madi)
- Aug 19 Book Safari / ICAS Mathematics Competition
- Sep 08 PEEC Values Workshop (Yrs 3-7)
- Sep 14 P&C Meeting 3:15pm
- Sep 16 PEEC Clay Workshop (Ainsley, Chelsea, Madi)
- Sep 16-18 APPA National Conference (Bruce)
- Sep 19-Oct 04 Spring Vacation
- Oct 07-09 Yrs 3-7 School Camp (The Farm School - Currumbin)
- Oct 19 Student Free Day
- Oct 20 Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra (QPAC)
- Oct 21 Catchment Kids Yrs 3-7 performance - City Hall
- Oct 30 School photos

Dear Parents

Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed some special moments with your family over the last two weeks. I extend a warm welcome to Michael who joins our Prep group.

This term is ten weeks in duration with a lovely little break for students in week 5 (12-13 August for the EKKA).

Please take the time to look through the date claimers above and note the important events on your calendar.

OSHC - Consideration for the P&C to be the licensee

An information session has been arranged for this afternoon for all interested parents and carers to hear from Kylie Brannelly, QCAN Executive Officer, in relation to the implications for the P&C becoming the licensee of the OSHC.

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It is proposed that the P&C would become the licensee of the OSHC from the beginning of next term. The information Kylie shares (legislation, responsibilities, financial support, answer any of your questions, etc), will assist us to make an informed decision at next Monday's P&C meeting.

District Athletics

The District Athletics Carnival will be held next week, Thursday 23 and Friday 24 July.

Ainsley, Madi, Hine Tapairu, Ruben and Conor have been selected to represent the City Small Schools Team.

Library News - Book Safari

This term we will be turning our attention to Fiction and Junior Fiction books as we embark on a book safari, hunting for good books to read. Book Safari is the theme for Book Week this year. We will be celebrating Book Week 19 August and as usual the children are invited to dress up on that day as a character from one of the short-listed books which are on display in the library. This is a fun day and costumes do not need to be elaborate.

Library lessons commence next Wednesday and will be held fortnightly. Please encourage your children to return their books so they can borrow regularly. Jenny

Play Group - Term Three

This year the Upper Brookfield Play Group has had very small numbers of people turn up. In previous years it seemed to work better when we did a "round robin" approach whereby parents would take it in turns on a fortnightly basis to coordinate the invites and place for play group.

For Term 3 I would like to see whether parents/guardians would be interested in putting their names down on an allocated week to coordinate play group - FYI a roster will be put on the school notice board. If you do nominate you need to choose a weekday (Mon to Friday); Time; Where (can be

school house, your place, a park etc) and activity if you wish. Morning seems to suit most people after school drop off. Please note if you are going to use the school house can you please check with Bruce on the availability for your requested day and time.

The timetable dates are below:

- Week 2 (20 Jul) Mon 9.15am Clair & Adam Lot2 / 910 Upper Brookfield Rd. Theme Fancy dress.
- Week 4 (3 -7 Aug) ???
- Week 6 (17 - 21 Aug) ???
- Week 8 (31 Aug - 4 Sep) ???
- Week 10 (14 Sep - 17 Sep) ???

It is BYO food and drinks for yourself and child/ren or bubs.

Anyone is welcome so if you know a friend around the area that may want to come please pass this information onto them. If you cannot make it up to the school and would like to be involved in holding a playgroup, please either phone me on 3374 3007 or reply by email.

Cheers and see you soon,
Clair and Adam

Swine Flu - if students are sick...

As school resumes for Term 3, parents are being urged to keep their children home if they are sick with flu-like symptoms.

Queensland now has more than 1600 confirmed cases of Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 (Human Swine Influenza).

Symptoms of human swine flu are similar to seasonal influenza and include a fever, cough and/or sore throat. Other symptoms can include fatigue, myalgia, headache, body aches or chills.

Queensland Health says one of the best ways to stop the spread of the flu is to keep sick children home and encourage good hygiene.

If children are sick the best thing to do is keep them away from school and other events such as socials and sporting carnivals. This might mean that some children will miss interstate and other planned school trips.

People generally have to be mindful that there are some who are more at risk from swine flu so those who are sick need to do the right thing and stay at home from school and work.

School closures remain an option in very limited circumstances but the likelihood of disruption during the new school term has lessened.

Queensland is now in the "protect" phase in managing the influenza outbreak and parents need to be aware that while most people who contract the flu are making rapid and full recovery, some who are

particularly vulnerable need to seek medical help at the onset of flu-like symptoms.

The essence of the "protect" phase is to concentrate on the early treatment of those in the community who may be more vulnerable to severe outcomes if they contract the virus.

Those identified as being vulnerable include pregnant women, Indigenous Australians, people with respiratory disease (including asthma and COPD), heart disease, diabetes, renal and liver disease, obesity and immunosuppression.

If you have any questions regarding symptoms or illness, contact your general practitioner or call Queensland Health on 13 Health (13 43 25 84) Further information is also available from the Queensland health website.

Queensland Health Swine Flu Response website:
www.health.qld.gov.au/swineflu/html/schools.asp

Specific information and advice for parents:
www.health.qld.gov.au/swineflu/documents/parents_advice.pdf

Are You the Parent of a Toddler?

Are You Tired and Stressed?

Parenting a toddler can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. Yet it can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting particularly when dealing with challenging behaviour in everyday situations.

Researchers from Triple P, at the University of Queensland, are conducting a study into the important area of parent-child relationships and the ways in which parents deal with difficult child behaviour. All children misbehave at some point and parents have different styles or ways of dealing with this. We want you to tell us what works for you and what doesn't.

This could be your opportunity to contribute to the ongoing development of Triple P helping us to deliver the best possible parenting solutions to parents of toddlers world-wide. If you have a child aged between 2 and 4 years and you are interested in participating please go to <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentknowledge/> for more information or contact Leanne Winter at leannewi@psy.uq.edu.au.

Enjoy your week

Bruce

Thought for the Week

*Watch for big problems;
they disguise big opportunities*