

Cook's Log

From The Principal....

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TERM DATES

Term 1 – 30 Jan – 31 March
 Term 2 – 18 Apr – 30 June
 Term 3 – 17 July – 22 Sep
 Term 4 – 9 Oct - 22 Dec

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

Friday 24th

Special Lunch –
 Sausages in bread

Monday 27th

Whole School Picnic
 Burden Park 11.30 – 2.30

MARCH

Monday 6th

Preps attend every day

Friday 10th

Curriculum Day
 NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

Monday 13th

Labour Day – Public Holiday
 NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

Wednesday 21st

Harmony Day
 School Council 7pm

Friday 24th

Special Lunch
 Pizza Lunch

Monday 27th

Young Leaders Day

Wednesday 21st – Friday 31st

Year 4 / 5 / 6 Camp

Friday 31st

LAST DAY OF TERM 1
 2.30pm FINISH

Congratulations to 3/4B, our attendance award winners this week!



This week we had seven students, not three as reported in last week's newsletter, from years five and six representing James Cook Primary School at the District Swimming event yesterday. Each of the seven returned with at least one ribbon each of first, second or third place; a very impressive effort. We are now waiting to hear if any of their times qualify them for the next level of competition. Dion, Amir, Teagan, Bethany, Anita, Venice and Suvaitha are all very proud of their efforts.

Meet-the-Teacher evening went very well last night. It was encouraging to see so many parents along to get to know their children's teachers and share important information at this crucial beginning stage of the year.

As you are aware we had to postpone the **Burden Park** picnic to next **Monday 27th February**. As a result of the change of date we do need all parents to sign a new permission form. The new form is in your child's bag today. This will need to be signed and returned straight away please.

Remember, icypoles are available for 50 cents each on Wednesdays and Thursdays at recess.

Enjoy the rest of your week and weekend.

Anne

"... what you learn today, for no reason at all, will help you discover all the wonderful secrets of tomorrow." (Norton Juster)

RESPECT, TEAMWORK, INCLUSIVENESS, RESILIENCE, PERSISTENCE

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Prep Teachers	Isidora	Great listening and displaying confidence
Prep Teachers	Stephanie	Working quietly to complete all tasks
Prep Teachers	Billy	Being friendly and helpful to others
1/2A	Leroy	Being supportive of every class member
1/2B	Andrea	Settling into routine and working with others
1/2C	Artem	Confidently completing all his writing
1/2D	Phoenix	Working hard to help his team during group work
3/4A	Sohail	Always putting in effort in all of his work
3/4B	Connor	Always trying his hardest in class
3/4C	Tahlia H	Always being positive and enthusiastic in class
5/6A	Zainab	Always being organised and ready to learn
5/6B	Farhan	Persistence and effort in revising his writing
5/6D	Abdullah	Settling well into his new school
Mandarin	Van B	Trying his best at all times
Music	Sophia R	Giving her best effort in Music
Science	Andrew M	Excellent participation in Science

DISTRICT SWIMMING

Congratulations to the 7 students who represented James Cook at the District swimming on Wednesday. Each student received at least one ribbon on the day and we have two students going through to the Division swimming on Wednesday the 8th of March. Dion will compete in the freestyle and backstroke while Suvaitha will compete in the breaststroke. It was great to see everyone trying their best and their smiling faces when they came to see me at the recording desk.

Mrs Tidey

CSEF – CAMP, SPORT, EXCURSION FUND

PLEASE DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS OPPORTUNITY - get your application in today

If you have a Pension or Health Care Card you may be eligible for the State Government (CSEF), Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund of \$125.00 per Primary student. This money is provided specifically to assist parents pay for camps, sports, and excursions.

If you are successful with your application the money will be held in your child's name at the school, and is applied to specified camps, sports, and excursions as they eventuate.

You must have an eligible Pension or Health Care Card that is valid on 30th January 2017

We will need to take a photocopy of your Pension/Health Care Card when you submit your application.

BERWICK SHOW SCHOOLS ART DISPLAY



OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE - EXTEND

We made slime! Some children were able to take it home and some left it at OSHC so they can play with it while here. We also made yummy banana pancakes that were eaten up for breakfast and afternoon tea with many children wanting more but alas, we can only make so many at one time. However now we have a new small oven with a hotplate on top we will be cooking a lot more



Please note there will be a Pupil Free Day on Friday 10th March at James Cook Primary School. Extend will offer a full day service on this day **subject to minimum bookings of 12**.
 Operating hours: 8:00am - 6:00pm. Please book in ASAP.

Thank you,

Marie, Team Leader

Parent Portal extend.com.au

What's on next week?

Mon 27 Feb	Tues 28 Feb	Wed 1 Mar	Thurs 2 Mar	Frid 3 Mar
Freezing coloured water ice cubes	Making Coconut Ice	Loom band sensory bottle	Making Play doh	Sensory coloured rice bags

Are you a Proud Parent?

Post your proud parent moment on Extend's Facebook page with a short caption and hashtag #ProudParent to win a GoPro Hero5 plus more prizes worth over \$1000.

Winner announced on Facebook on Monday 27 February. For terms visit extend.com.au/proudpaparents.

ASTHMA AUSTRALIA

Back to School Asthma Spike

ASK ABOUT ASTHMA. Every year there is a sharp rise in the number of asthma attacks for children when they return to school after the summer break. This results in increased Emergency Department visits and hospitalisations. Use our checklist to help your child stay well and get their school year off to a healthy start

- See a GP to complete an Asthma Plan, giving a copy to the school
- Provide the school with a spare asthma reliever (usually blue) puffer and spacer
- Talk to your child's class teacher

Get more information and download your back to school asthma checklist from the Asthma Australia website.

For **primary** aged students:

Asthma Kids

Looking for a way to help your child understand more about their asthma or about a friend with asthma? Asthma Kids is an online, interactive tool to help primary school aged children understand what it's like to have asthma and what they can do to help. Check it out at asthmakids.org.au

For **Victorian** schools:

Thunderstorm Asthma community information sessions

The Department of Health & Human Services has organised a series of thunderstorm asthma information sessions for anyone impacted by the event in late November 2016 and those interested in knowing more about this phenomenon.

During the sessions you'll hear from health experts about what thunderstorm asthma is and how you and your family can prepare for the next pollen season. For session dates and locations visit

<https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/emergencies/thunderstorm-asthma-event/community-information-sessions>

Parking around our school

Please be vigilant and observe all car parking signage around the streets of our school. The rules are in place for the safety of our children, our Crossing Supervisor, and residents. **In particular, there is no stopping at the front of the school (near the entry to the staff car park) while the flags are displayed.** It is also illegal to stop in the disabled parking bay unless you have a current "disabled parking permit" displayed.

Local Laws Officers have advised they will regularly monitor the traffic and parking around our school.

If you don't wish to be booked – please don't do the wrong thing!

An alternative to the congestion at the front of the school is to perhaps park in the side streets.