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Cook's Log

From The Principal....

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TERM DATES

Term 3 – 17 July – 22 Sep
Term 4 – 9 Oct - 22 Dec

DIARY DATES

AUGUST

Friday 4th

5/6 Interschool Sport

Wednesday 9th

Curriculum Day

**NO STUDENTS
AT SCHOOL**

Friday 11th

School Disco

5/6 Interschool Sport

Tuesday 15th

School Council – 7pm

Friday 18th

5/6 Interschool Sport

Saturday 19th

Open Morning

9.30am-12.00pm

Mon 21st – Fri 25th

Literacy and

Numeracy/Book Week

Australian Girls Choir visit

Tuesday 22nd

History Incursion Mod 2

Pizza Lunch Day

Wednesday 23rd

Book Week Parade

10.30am

Friday 25th

5/6 Interschool Sport

Saturday 26th

Bunnings BBQ

Volunteers required

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 19th

Footy Colours Day

Pie Lunch Day

My, haven't we had some cold starts this week. However, it hasn't dampened the enthusiasm for learning at James Cook. In fact, things are really ramping up. The dance and scene practices are in full swing, the costumes are coming together, with ticket sales ready to commence next Monday 7th August. Tickets can be purchased from either the Drum Theatre box office or online via their website.

Those families selected to participate in the 2017 online Parent Opinion Survey will have received notification by letter this week. If you are one of the families, we have set up laptops in the office for families to complete the survey here at the office for those who require internet access or assistance with completing the survey. The survey is being conducted online for the first time this year.

Whilst enrolling at James Cook Primary is an ongoing occurrence at all levels, we are calling for any siblings, friends, extended family members who have students of Prep age for 2018 to come to the office and secure their place for next year. The earlier the better, as we can make sure that our future Preps are included in all of our transition activities between now and the end of the year.



Wednesday 9th August (next week) is our final Curriculum Day for 2017. The focus for staff on the day is 'Teaching Reading'. I'm sure that by now you have been able to make alternative arrangements for your children on that day.

The new 'Nude Food Loyalty Card' has certainly impacted the effort made by families getting on board with this important sustainability initiative. Last week's wrapper count produced the lowest, hence the best score, since I arrived at James Cook just over twelve months ago. 1/2C achieved a 0.3 wrappers per student. A wonderful result. I wonder who will be our first grade to make it zero wrappers? Hopefully we will see our first completed loyalty cards next week. Those students will be rewarded with a lucky dip selection.

With our last Bunnings BBQ fundraiser coming up, forms have been distributed calling for some volunteer time on the day – Saturday 26th August. The Sausage Sizzle will be at the new Bunnings site on the Princes Highway next to the freeway, opposite Hog's Breath and Freeway Sports. We'd love to have you along if you can spare an hour or two. All forms should be returned to the office.

The Australian Girls' Choir will be conducting an assessment workshop at James Cook on Monday 21st August for any girls who might be interested in auditioning. Please return the permission form to the office by Thursday 17th August.

Anne

*"The only thing better than singing, is more singing."
(Ella Fitzgerald)*



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

ATTENDANCE Term 3 Week 2

97.3%	93.9%	93.6%
12B	34A	34B

AFTERNOON TEA



James Cook Primary School along with Kids Hope will be hosting an afternoon tea on Tuesday 8th August at 2.30pm. This is an opportunity for parents of children that participate in the Kids Hope Program to meet with the mentors and discuss what they have been doing throughout the term.

PREP OPEN MORNING

Prep teachers will be holding an OPEN MORNING on Saturday 19th August from 9.30am-12.00pm. If you know of any families that have a child starting school next year, please let them know. All families are welcome.

BOOK WEEK PARADE

There has been lots of discussion amongst students about costumes for our book week parade. This will be taking place on Wednesday 23rd at 10.30am. Parents are invited to participate in Literacy and Numeracy activities in each module from 9.00 – 10.30am.



SCHOOL DISCO

The school disco will be held Friday 11th August.
 Prep-2 5-6.15pm, Year 3-6 6.30pm-8pm.
 Ticket forms and Glow Product order forms have already been sent home.

Tracie

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Prep A	Bella	For showing confidence in her learning
Prep B	Kobie	For persistence with sounding out new words
Prep C	Arman	For making great progress in learning the blue words
1/2B	Laara	For her confidence and energy in dance practise
1/2C	Kaya	For confidently settling into her new class positively
1/2D	Tyler	For showing more confidence in his writing
3/4B	Vivek	For your great effort writing your speech
3/4C	Aleisha	For always trying her best to be organised for class
5/6A	Andreya	For working hard in maths and writing. Well done!
5/6B	Madi	For her persistence and great effort in completing her public speech writing
Art	Jennifer A	

SCHOOL BANKING

A representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be visiting our school on Monday 14th August at 9am at assembly and on Tuesday 15th August at 3pm outside the Assistant Principals office. Feel free to drop by if you have any questions about the School Banking program or need assistance in opening an account.

Don't forget School Banking day is every Thursday. Please hand your Dollarmites deposit wallet to your teacher or the office.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN - 2017

The Woolworths 'Earn and Learn' program has begun and runs until Tuesday 19th September. Collect 'Earn and Learn' stickers from the checkout operator or through placing an order online. The stickers can then be placed on an 'Earn and Learn' sticker sheet. Families can place completed sticker sheets and stickers into a collection box at school or into the James Cook collection box at Woolworths, Endeavour Hills Shopping Centre. Please only put the allocated 60 stickers on a sheet as any extra stickers stuck outside the spaces will not be counted.

In previous years, our school has earned valuable equipment and resources for classrooms and the Music and Literacy programs. It would be great to seek support from family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues in collecting 'Earn and Learn' stickers for our school.

Brad Clement

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE - EXTEND

**KIDS CLUB ART COMPETITION
WIN A \$200 TOYS R US ONLINE GIFT CARD**

Entries are now open for Extend's Kids Club Competition! Submit your entry online from Monday 17 July to Friday 4 August, 2017.



To enter complete the sentence "Extend is" and submit your matching art entry online at extend.com.au. For further details and terms visit extend.com.au

...*BUT THERE'S MORE!* Help your After School Care service win a mystery incursion! Be sure to come along to After School Care to enter. See you there!

RECAP

The children have been very busy working on our Kid's Club competition entry. We have started to plant our bulbs into cups and will plant them this week when I get the tools needed to dig over the ground. Making our paper snakes was a big hit so we will be using our paper plate this week to make different art work. Please come into the Art / Extend room to see our giant entry for the Extend Kids' Club Competition. You may have already seen it parading around the school.

Could each child in Extend **please bring a large glass jar with a lid** to make Lava Lamps in a few weeks time?

Marie Team Leader

What's on next week? AUGUST

Monday 7th	Tuesday 8th	Wednesday 9th	Thursday 10th	Friday 11th
Cup Wind Chimes	Pasta Shapes on Paper	Curriculum Day	Cork Boats	Big Adventure Playground/ Outdoor Play / Cricket

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au

