



Cook's Log

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From The School 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 10th

Swimming Trials

Friday 17th

- *Footsteps Incursion
- *Whole School Picnic
Burden Park 11.30 – 2.30

Tuesday 21st

School Council 7pm

Wednesday 22nd

- *District Swimming
- *Meet the Teacher
interviews

Friday 24th

Special Lunch –
Sausages in bread

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

We are already in the middle of week two for the term, and as I walk around the modules each day I can't help but be impressed by the smooth transition all of our students have made into their new grades for 2017.

The calendar is already filling up with lunches, a picnic and swimming trials (for selected children in years 4-6). A 'Meet the Teacher' evening has also been put on the calendar for two weeks' time. Our first Curriculum day will be Friday the 10th March. As with all curriculum days the children will not attend school on that day. I am waiting to hear from Extend as to whether they will be providing a service for the students on that day. I will let you know next week.

The students are already enjoying the new ground markings that were completed last Friday. The installation was funded with money raised by the PFA in 2016, whose efforts are invaluable in supporting the resourcing for our students here at James Cook.



A reminder that all permission notes and money for the Burden Park Picnic, on Friday 17th February, need to be returned by Monday 13th February at the latest please. Parents are welcome to join us at the park but will need to make their own way there.

Our first lunch day is on Friday 24th February – two sausages in bread and a bottle of water for \$5. To avoid disappointment, please make sure orders are in by Monday 20th February.

Anne

"The beautiful thing about learning is nobody can take it away from you."

(B.B. King)

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT YEAR 1 -6

Bookings are now open to make a time to meet your child’s classroom teacher for 2017. This is an opportunity for you to inform the teacher about your students interests, goals and family background. We encourage all parents to get to know the teachers, and help the teachers gain a greater understanding of your child.

Times are available on Wednesday 22nd February after school.

MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT FOR PREP PARENTS

The prep team has been working hard to settle in our newest students to James Cook. Home groups for this team have not yet been finalised. All prep teachers have been available to meet with parents each morning and afternoon. If you have any immediate items that need to be discussed you are asked to make a suitable time with the teachers directly. Once home groups have been finalised toward the end of the term, all parents will be invited to meet with their child’s home group teacher.

ATTENDANCE

With the holidays now a distant memory, it was encouraging to see so many smiling faces for the first week back. As a school we averaged 95% attendance across the board. What a great start to the year. The class with only one student absence was 12B and with 100% attendance was 34C. Congratulations to all those involved. Remember that if students are late to school it will affect whole class and individual attendance data.

“ It’s not ok to be away, We learn something new every day.”

Tracie Schwarz

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Prep Teachers	Briah	for showing confidence in her first week
Prep Teachers	Sam	for your enthusiastic participation in all activities
Prep Teachers	Maya	for working on tasks enthusiastically
1/2A	Maryah	for being so helpful to our new students
1/2B	Eshaal	for her fantastic effort in settling into James Cook Primary so quickly
1/2C	Gracie	for being a great helper to others in the class
1/2D	Hasna	for being a caring and helpful student to all of her classmates
3/4A	Sabrina	for a confident start to the year
3/4B	Aishwarya	for setting an excellent example for her classmates
3/4C	Gage	for a fantastic start to his new grade
5/6A	Marc	for being a great role model to his peers
5/6B	Louis	for his fantastic effort in completing his profile
5/6D	Sean	for a fabulous effort and wonderful start to Grade 5

SCIENCE ITEMS NEEDED

Welcome back everyone; I hope you had a wonderful holiday with your families! The Science program is in need of the following items this term. If you and your family happen to be able to contribute any of these items to the program we would be very grateful.

Bread making machines (until the end of term 1)

Shoe boxes

Margarine containers

Egg cartons

350-400ml plastic bottles with lids

Cuttlefish!!

Thanks in advance, Mr Shenfield.

SCHOOL BANKING

You can get involved in the School Banking program by opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. Online, you can visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account. Otherwise you can visit your local branch. All you need to bring is your current identification as well as your child's birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youth saver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is Thursday and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE - EXTEND

As we settle into Term 1 we have been busy with lots of new and exciting games and lots of outdoor play. A BIG welcome to our new preps! Please note: The only gate that will be open for the morning session is the gate up the stairs near the big bin in the driveway of the school.



Thank you, *Marie, Team Leader*

Next week's activities: FEBRUARY

Parent Portal extend.com.au

Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17
Making face masks	Freezing fruit to eat!	Making slime	Cooking banana fritters	Playing cricket outside

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Caroline Etienne Ballet Centre

Hallam Senior College HALLAM & Resurrection School KEYSBOROUGH

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ENDEAVOUR HILLS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Registrations Open for SEASON 2017

We encourage both new and returning members to jump online and register as soon as possible or see us on Registration Day

WHERE Charles Green Reserve
James Cook Drive Endeavour Hills

WHEN Sunday 12th FEB

TIME 11.00am - 2.00pm

EAGLES GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM WANTED

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON THE DAY
THE COMMITTEE OF ENDEAVOUR HILLS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
WWW.ENDEAVOURHILLSJFC.COM.AU
OR CONTACT THE REGISTRAR CHRISTINE ON 0423 611 501