



# Cook's Log

From The School Principal....

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## ISSUE 02

15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2017

### 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 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 13<sup>th</sup>

Labour Day – Public Holiday  
NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

James Cook Primary is a vibrant and energising place to be at the moment. We have our first whole-school activity happening this coming Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February. All students will be enjoying a half-hour complimentary dance session with the girls from Footsteps Dance Company, between 9.30 and 11.00am, before heading off to Burden Park for a picnic lunch at 11.30am.

I attended the swimming trials with Mrs Tidey and ten students who were trying out for qualification to attend the District Swimming Competition next Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Congratulations to Tegan, Suvaitha, and Dion who will represent our school at that event.



### SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Nominations for parent vacancies on the James Cook Primary School's School Council are now open, **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017** and will close on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017, at 4.00pm**. Each year, a number of the Council positions become vacant as members complete their two year term. The School Council meets twice a term, on a Tuesday evening at 7.00pm.

Nomination forms and information about the role of a school council member are available at the Office from today. If you have any questions about the role of a school councillor or the nomination process, please contact me at the office. If we receive more nominations than the number of vacancies, a ballot will be conducted.

The first meeting for the **existing** school council will be on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of February 2017 at 7.00pm in the staffroom. The first meeting and AGM for **newly elected** councillors will be on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7.00pm.

Anne

*"Knowledge is a treasure, but practice is the key to it." (Lao Tzu)*

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

**MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT YEAR 1 -6 WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY**

Please remember 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. Bookings are made online at [schoolinterviews.com.au](http://schoolinterviews.com.au) Booking Code: shk3s

**ATTENDANCE**

Congratulations to 5/6D for the award winning performance of 98% attendance this week. 3/4B and 1/2D came in second with 94%

“Attend today, achieve tomorrow.”

**BURDEN PARK EXCURSION**

Our whole school ‘Believe to Succeed’ celebration will take place this Friday. Parents are welcome to join us at Burden Park (corner, Heatherton & Springvale Roads, Springvale) from 12.00pm. Children will be able to utilise the playground and park facilities, and share time will children of all ages. Students will need to bring their lunch, drink and hat on the day. Please check your child’s communication books for more information.

*Tracie Schwarz*

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

<b>Prep Teachers</b>	Sophia	Being a great friend and playing nicely
<b>Prep Teachers</b>	Promin	Working hard with all learning tasks
<b>Prep Teachers</b>	Wafiq	Being a fantastic listener
<b>1/2A</b>	Madiha	Settling into her new school and making new friends
<b>1/2B</b>	Patrick	Showing respect by listening to others
<b>1/2C</b>	Leatrice	Settling into her new school and making new friends
<b>1/2D</b>	Harmonii	Making positive contributions to the class and always helping others
<b>3/4A</b>	Chris G	Staying on tasks when working in groups
<b>3/4B</b>	Abby H	Being a kind, helpful and friendly member of our class
<b>3/4C</b>	Ann	Being an organised member of the module
<b>5/6A</b>	Sarah	Being a helpful and responsible class member
<b>5/6B</b>	Jaiden	His great effort settling into a new school and making friends
<b>5/6D</b>	Jazzmine	Being a great mentor to her fellow classmates

**BOOK CLUB**

A reminder that all Book Club orders are due back the Friday, 17th February. Please ensure your child’s name and grade are clearly marked and placed in an envelope with correct money.

On-line LOOP orders will be processed at 10am on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> February. Please have your orders completed by this time to ensure delivery to school at no extra cost.

**S.R.C CORNER**

The SRC (Student Representative Council) provides students with an avenue for greater participation and representation in decision making about issues and activities within the school. The committee is made up of students who are elected by their peers.

The role of SRC is:

- to share students' ideas about issues which are valued by them and will benefit the whole school community.
- to agree on and organise activities to raise money and support chosen charities and school projects.
- To meet with the Principal – Ms Burgess and staff SRC Leader – Miss Wijeratne.

We would like to congratulate the following students who have been elected as the 'VOICE' of our school:

Year 1/2 -	Adna	Chole	Hailey	Chase
Year 3/4	Kiana	Mustafa	Abby.B	
Year 5/6 -	Paris	Anja	Ayaan	

**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 30<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

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

**OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE - EXTEND**

Last week saw us with big block buildings around the room. We had petrol stations and even a horse paddock!

The children did some beautiful dress ups with high heels and a (not real) fur coat! Hard to believe they wanted to do that in the hot weather. I am told it's ok to wear fur in the summer. We now have a digital photo frame in the room so please come by to see what the children have been doing in O.S.H.C.



Just to let you all know that we will **not be open** for the Curriculum Day on the 10th of March.

Thank you, *Marie, Team Leader*

**Next week's activities: FEBRUARY**

Parent Portal [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au)

<b>Monday 20</b>	<b>Tuesday 21</b>	<b>Wednesday 22</b>	<b>Thursday 23</b>	<b>Friday 24</b>
Make Bread	Ten pin bowling	Big Adventure playground	Make our own jigsaw puzzle	Make paper collages

**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/proudparents](http://extend.com.au/proudparents).