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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

JULY

Monday 17th

TERM 3 COMMENCES

Monday 24th

PFA Meeting-9.30am

Thursday 27th

Responsible Pet
Ownership – Preps

Friday 28th

5/6 Interschool Sport

AUGUST

Tuesday 1st

Special Lunch –
Hot Dogs

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

Mon 21st – Fri 25th

Literacy and
Numeracy/Book Week

Tuesday 22nd

History Incursion Mod 2
Pizza Lunch Day

Saturday 26th

Bunnings BBQ

Volunteers required

A big 'Welcome Back' to everyone after the break. It was great to see an almost full hall again at assembly on Monday.

Whilst all terms seem busy, Term Three is shaping up to be an exceptionally busy one. We have the Year Six school leaders planning and preparing for the 'Disco' coming up on the 11th of August and 'Journey to Bergen Town' on the 13th September. Watch for notices coming home relating to both of these events.

In between, we have three special lunches planned and the Year Fives and Sixes are participating in Interschool Sport in Term Three for the first time in many years. We also have some upcoming special whole-school activities planned for Literacy / Numeracy / Book Week during the last week of August. Again, watch out for more information about these activities as the term progresses.

I would like to thank those families who were looking out for the welfare of the school and reported the 'fountain' on top of Module 4 on the first Sunday of the holidays. It turned out there were another two on the top of Module 2. These were caused by the very cold temperatures of the night before which caused the pipes to freeze, expand and crack. They have now been repaired.

Also over the holidays building works began on the Library / Music /Mandarin building. A new window has been installed, along with improved roof structure to eliminate any future water ingress. New carpets are also going to be installed. To complete the refurbishment fully, I am currently sourcing quotes for painting the interior of the centre in order to get it done before the carpeting commences.

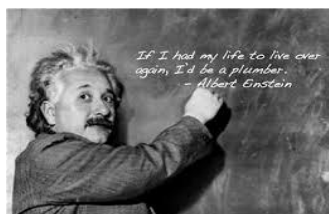
Another thing to watch out for in August is the 'Parent Opinion Survey' conducted by the Education Department. Families are randomly selected by the system to complete the survey regarding our school. Some of you may have taken part in previous years. This year the survey is being conducted online. This is the first time DET have used the online platform. Should you be selected to participate in the survey, we will make provisions for families to complete the survey here at the office by providing internet access and assistance for those who need it.

I look forward to seeing you around the school or perhaps in classrooms helping out. Our teachers are always looking for some extra help, so let them know if you have some time in the mornings.

Anne

"Patience is not the ability to wait, but the ability to keep a good attitude while waiting."

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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

ATTENDANCE TERM 2 W11

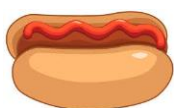
34B	12B	34C
94.3%	94.2%	92.9%

STUDENT PORTFOLIOS

All student-learning portfolios were sent home with the school reports at the end of last term. We hope that parents gained a valuable insight into the learning progress of their child. In order for these to be updated, they need to be returned to school as soon as possible. Work showing development from Semester 2 will be added to the portfolios before being sent home, once again, at the end of the school year. If you haven't done so already, could you please ensure that the portfolios are returned to your child's homeroom teacher. Thanking you in anticipation.

BOOK WEEK

Book Week, Literacy, and Numeracy Week will be held from 21st – 25th August. This year the theme is, 'Escape to Everywhere'. Children will have an opportunity to dress up as their favourite book character. More details to follow soon.



PFA NEWS

The next special lunch day will be Hot Dog Day on Tuesday 1st August. Notices went home this week.

Throughout the year our PFA work tirelessly to provide fun and engaging experiences for our students. They also help to raise funds to support various projects throughout the school. I would like to extend an invitation to any of our parents who would like to join our PFA. We will be holding a morning tea meeting on Monday 24th July at 9.30am. Hope to see you there.

FLEXIBUZZ (FORMALLY TIQBIZ)

James Cook uses the Flexibuzz app which is available to download onto your mobile device. Not only will you receive notifications about upcoming events, you will also receive reminders on the day prior. An additional feature is that you can advise the school of absences or leave messages for staff. For those families that have English as an Additional Language, translations are also available.

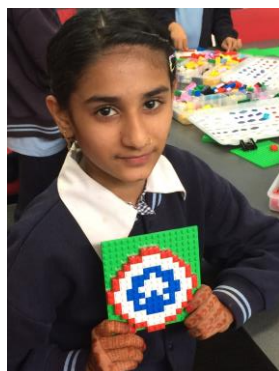


STUDENT OF THE TERM

Prep A	Maya	For a fantastic term, always giving her very best
Prep B	Anthony	For your enthusiasm with all learning tasks and for being a friendly and helpful class member
Prep C	Mystique	For being a friendly and helpful member of Prep C
1/2A	Khloe	For consistently making good choices, making her a helpful and friendly class member
1/2B	Patrick	For gaining more confidence in all learning areas and trying his best
1/2C	Hayley	For and excellent terms work, trying her best at all times
1/2D	Rosie	For her fantastic effort throughout the term and positive approach to learning
3/4A	Gunnu	For an excellent terms work in every aspect of school life
3/4B	Autupuna	For her positive attitude towards all learning tasks
3/4C	Tahlia	For always displaying a positive and cheerful attitude in class
5/6A	Paris	For her excellent effort in all learning areas
5/6B	Aarya	For being a friendly and very helpful class member who always displays a positive attitude
5/6D	Jazzmine	For being a fabulous role model to other students and being a great helper with the Preps. Fantastic effort

MYSTERY REWARD

Last term some very lucky students took part in the 'Bricks 4 Kids' Lego activity. They spent an hour and a half making and exploring with Lego. They could follow instructions to make vehicles with Technic Lego, as well as free play with big blocks to make towers. Some students also used the mosaic tiles to make Superheros. Thanks to Bindi from Bricks 4 Kids for bringing all her Lego to our school.



WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN - 2017

This year, Woolworths is again running the Earn and Learn program. From this Wednesday 26th July until Tuesday 19th September, shoppers can 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 Extends 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.

HAVE YOU SECURED YOUR TERM 3 BOOKINGS?

Option 1: Book for the entire year/period of time selected

Use the 'by the day of the week' tab to book consistent days over a period of time that you select.

Option 2: Book by specific dates

Irregular bookings can be made by the 'by specific dates' tab. If you make these bookings with 14 days notice or more, you will attract the lowest rate.

New Families: Be sure to enrol online – allow 24 hours. Enrolling is quick and easy! Simply set up your own account online via the Parent Portal. Please note it is government regulation that all children must be enrolled **BEFORE** attending an Extend service. For information on operating hours and fees for your school, visit your After School Care venue or school website.

We look forward to seeing you in Term 3!



It is essential to sign up today - we need our whole school signed up!

FlexiBuzz (previously Tiqbiz) is an app. that is available on many different devices and enables parents, staff and school to communicate.

It is essential that you sign up today!

We are currently using FlexiBuzz for:

- Newsletters
- Class communications
- Absence Notifications
- Events Calendars
- Outside School Hours Care
- General updates and reminders
- Uniform List

We encourage every parent / guardian to download the free FlexiBuzz app. and register James Cook Primary. This app. is available on your phone, tablet or PC.



Once installed, follow the steps to tick our school.