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Cook's Log

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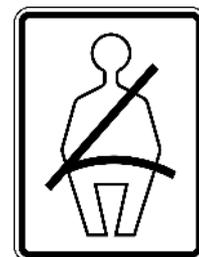
Principal's Report



We have much to celebrate as we approach the end of the first semester of learning and teaching at James Cook Primary School. Despite the recent spate of stomach bugs keeping many students away from school, the average number of student absences at this time of year, compared to the same time last year has greatly reduced and this is wonderful news. This means that we are able to maximise every child's learning time for every moment they are here at school.

The staff really do appreciate your support with this endeavour. We do still have some latecomers though. We are happy to see these students get to school, however, to truly aspire to their full potential, all students need to be at school and in their classrooms at 9.00am when our Reading sessions begin.

On a safety note, I would like to raise your awareness with regards to the traffic and parking issues that seem to come up more than we would like to see. The safety of our students, your children, is being put at risk quite regularly in those times before and after school during drop-off and pick-up times. The **NO PARKING** areas are quite clearly marked to eliminate the risk of accidents on either side of the road adjacent to Amalfi Drive and to reduce the risk of drivers reversing on to the supervised crossing, especially whilst children are crossing the road. U-Turns into the angled parking on the school side is also illegal. Children should be getting into cars on the footpath side of the car not the traffic side, as we have seen in some cases. Please ensure also that your child is securely buckled into the seat or booster seat before pulling away.



We must continue to work together on these routines so that we can all keep every child safe and learning at school every day.

Our Jump-Off Day in support of The Heart Foundation, is being held between 9.00-11.00am next Thursday. Any parents and supporters who would like to come and assist or join in the fun are very welcome.

Student progress reports are now being completed by teachers for the end of the first semester 2019. Reports will be sent home to parents and carers on Monday 24th June. Parent-Teacher interviews are being held in the same week, on Thursday 27th June. The booking portal will be open for families to secure appointments for those meetings next Monday 17th June at 4.00pm.

Anne

'Safety First is Safety Always'



DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE

Tue 18th School Council 6.30pm
 Thu 20th Pizza Lunch order due
 Jump Off Day 9 – 11am
 Mon 24th Pizza Lunch
 Reports Distributed
 Thu 27th Parent Teacher Interviews
 SRC Crazy Hat Day - gold coin donation
 Fri 28th **END OF TERM 2 – 2.30 FINISH**

JULY

Mon 15th **TERM 3 COMMENCES**
 Wed 17th Yr 5 & 6 Hoop time

AUGUST

Mon 5th Hot Dog Lunch
 Tue 6th School Photos
 Wed 7th Disco
 Tue 13th School Council 6.30pm
 Mon 19th District Athletics
 Fri 23rd Prep Puppet Show
 Mon 26th Pie Lunch
 Fri 30th Father's Day Stall and breakfast

SAVE THE DATE

Sep 11th School Musical

Module 1

Year One

Throughout Term Two, Year One have been learning the differences about the past to the present. We have been focusing on the differences and similarities between our lives and our parents and grandparents childhoods. Last week, we had an incursion called the 'History Box' where we learned about games, items and clothing from the past. Our favourite things from the incursion were handwriting with ink and learning about schools from the past.

1A and 1C



Preps

The Preps had an incursion from the Casey Council, teaching us how to approach and interact safely with dogs. We all had a great time meeting Willow, the Australian Shepherd. Some lucky students even got to pat her!



STUDENT OF THE WEEK 27 th May – 31 st May	
PB	Selah
1A	Ahmed
1C	Anna-Sofia
3A	Isabella
4A	Daniel L
5A	Daniel A
6A	Wajeeha
Art	Ella
Mandarin	Sidhitha
Music	6A
P.E	Charlotte

CRAZY HAT DAY

The SRC are hosting a Crazy Hat Day on Thursday the 27th of June. There will be prizes awarded to the winning hat in each of the following categories:

Tallest Hat Sportiest Hat
Healthiest Hat Unhealthiest Hat
Fluffiest Hat Silliest Hat
Environmentally Friendliest Hat
Colourful Hat

Gold Coin Donation on the day will be going towards SRC projects
There will be a Hat Parade in the Hall at 2:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

Music

The preps have enjoyed learning about loud and quite sounds this Term and have made some sound stories to accompany some popular books, such as ‘Bear Hunt’.

The Year One and Two students have been practising their singing, learning ‘The Telephone Song’ and ‘Caterpillar’. They have also experimented with melodic accompaniments to their performance.

The Year Three students have busily been practising their ukulele chords and helping generate ideas for their scene in this year’s musical.

And in the upper school, the Year Five and Six students have been extending their skills on the guitars, learning some rock riffs and chords. They have also generated ideas for the musical, and helped write entire scenes from their incredible imaginations.

EXTEND UPDATE

Enrol and book now: extend.com.au

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Public Holiday	Sport games Octopus Fruit salad	Australian animal dot painting	Movie morning with popcorn	Make your own yummy apple slinkies

The Extend Superstar is Dexter for hosting our tea party with the teddies, dinosaurs and all our friends, serving cold tea and healthy snacks to all!

What’s Been Happening?

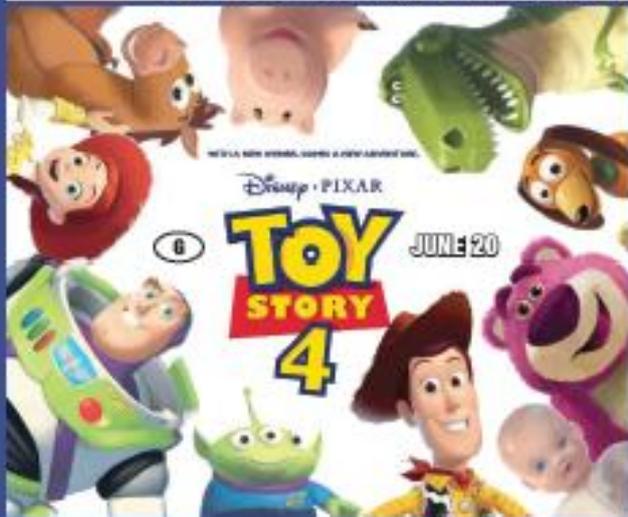
This week we’ve been planting herb and vegetable seedlings, watering them and seeing how the seeds change and grow into the plants we love to eat.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

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Information correct at time of printing. All dates and films are subject to change.



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

Set your preferred language in preferences then everything is received translated. The FlexiBuzz language translation tool helps people for whom English is a second language.

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

We are currently using FlexiBuzz for:

- Newsletters
- Absence Notifications
- General updates and reminders
- Class communications
- Permission Forms
- Events Calendars
- 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.