11 May 2016

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Principal’s News

Star FM Favourite Teacher

Congratulations to Mr Gilmour on winning Star FM Mackay Whitsunday Favourite Teacher for 2016!

The win is an indication of how much his students respect and appreciate him as their teacher at Proserpine State School and in the Bowen District! It was an amazing effort by the dedicated students, staff and community members who voted every spare moment they had at school and home. I’m just glad that the voting was free!

The prize package for winning favourite teacher of a pallet of A4 paper, Imac computer, Ipad, and 30 Ipod shuffles was presented at a special parade in the Multi-Purpose Complex on Monday 9 May.

Winning the prize has provided a great opportunity to promote and showcase Proserpine State School. We had one of the highest number of teachers nominated in the competition. The dedication and commitment to developing strong student-teacher – community relationships, and setting high expectations for learning and behaviour, is how we do business at Proserpine State School.

Congratulations Ryan, 6RG & Proserpine State School!

Reminder to be safe when travelling on or near buses

We would like to remind all students and parents to please be safe when travelling on or near buses.

A significant number of school students in Queensland travel on buses to attend school. All students have the right to a safe and enjoyable journey, and their safety is our number one priority.

Ensuring students’ safe travel on or near buses is a shared responsibility which brings together the efforts of students, their parents/carers, schools, bus drivers and bus operators.

A Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses is also available to provide students and parents/carers with information about how to travel safely on buses.


Before School Procedures

Our School Behaviour Expectations Matrix is developed to maintain a positive environment for students, staff and community members. As learners, our students are asked to – Arrive at school between 8:30am – 8:45am and report to your supervised area. To ensure consistency across our school we are asking that all parents and students adhere to this expectation. To be consistent we are requiring parents who are waiting with their child / children to also report to supervised areas.

Supervised Areas:

Prep – Year 2 - report to the Multi-Purpose Complex (Sterry Street). Year 5 students are operating reading hub at the Multi-Purpose Complex for our Prep – Year 2 students each morning.

Year 3 – Year 6 – report to School Hall (Renwick Road)

This before school process has been very successful setting our students up to be learners as they enter classrooms calm and focused. As well, this process provides a safe environment with a significant reduction in before school behaviour incidences.

Your continued support with this process is greatly appreciated.

Curriculum Matters

NAPLAN

For the past eight years, every Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 school student in Australia has participated in NAPLAN testing in the second week of May in the areas of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, punctuation and grammar) and Numeracy.

As our students will be completing these tests this week, I have included some example questions from previous tests to provide you with an idea of what NAPLAN looks like. Given the size of the reading texts, I can only include questions from the other domains. There will be two examples shown from each year level – one an easier question, and one more challenging. This will give you some indication of the range as well as types of questions.

In Week 5, there will be NO HOMEWORK for students in Years 3 and 5. Also, reading groups, Spelling Mastery and support lessons will be affected by the timetabling of these tests.
If your child is participating in NAPLAN, it’s best to prepare like any other school day – make sure they get a good nights’ sleep, have a healthy breakfast and come to school with a smile! After all – it’s just a test at a point in time. We don’t want our kids to stress or feel pressured. All we ask is that they try their best.

Lee-Anne Dougherty
Head of Curriculum

Schoolwide Positive Support (SWPBS)

Since 2008 Proserpine State School has had a Parent Matrix which aligns with our School Behaviour Matrix and Staff Matrix. The Parent Matrix is a list of strategies for parents and caregivers to employ to assist their children in maintaining Star Student Status. The matrix is issued to each family in the form of a fridge magnet and this year we are revising and updating it.

In so doing, we are seeking a sponsor to defray the cost of the magnets and in exchange, their business advertisement is placed on the bottom of the magnet. As we will be submitting a fairly large order, the magnets will be in circulation for a minimum of five years and we are seeking a sponsorship of $750. Should you know of a business or organisation that would like this kind of exposure and is interested in providing the sponsorship, please contact myself or the Principal at the school.

Ann Gardel (Behaviour Support Teacher)

Early Childhood Development Program (ECDP) – State Schools

There was been recent talk about the withdrawal of this program by State Schools as the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) implementation continues. Although early childhood early intervention is the responsibility of the NDIS, State Schools have made a commitment to facilitate this program until 2020. In addition, it will only cease for eligible children if they have been referred onto an equivalent service.

Music

The recorder is a musical instrument that can only be played well with practice and perseverance. Play for a short time but often and the benefits will pay off. Playing the recorder allows the hearing of the notes that are being read from the staff.

Having said that, the recorder is only a small part of the Music program. The children sing, create, dance, play tuned and un-tuned percussion instruments and ukuleles, join in games and read and write music. It is a wide and varied program.

JUNIOR CHOIR

The children from Years 2 & 3 have one more week to try out choir before I take names. They will then be expected to attend all rehearsals. It looks like we will have a lovely group of singers.

SENIOR EISTEDDFOD CHOIR

This year this choir will come from Years 4, 5 and 6. Rehearsals will be on a Tuesday at 1.10pm -2.00pm starting on 17 May. We have wonderful singers in those year levels and I am looking forward to working with them.

In song

Elspeth Scotford (Classroom Music teacher)

Students of the Week

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What's Happening & General

Free Dress

What's Happening in 4SM this week

From the perspective of a convict, we have been exploring the journey of the First Fleet.

Starting in England, we discovered what life was like and why people turned to crime.

- "My crime was stealing clothes worth 2 shillings, I did it to survive. My job was as a laundress, I didn't make much money from it." Adam Russell.
- "I turned to crime because life was so hard that I barely survived." Toby Anderson.
- "Life in England was really tough because many people didn't have a job and the people who did, didn't get enough money to survive." Erin McDowell.

We then boarded one of the 11 ships in the First Fleet and sailed for 8 months, in dreadful conditions, until we reached New Holland.

- "We got chocked up all night, it was terrible. The chains were filthy and old." Louise Cole.
- "Conditions on the ship were terrible; there were diseases such as scurvy from lack of Vitamin C" Sue Senior.
- "The conditions below deck were dark, dirty and damp, it looked during rain storms and there were rats and cockroaches." Lily-Anne Esther.

We investigated what life was like in the new colony and how the convicts' lives were changed.

- "It changed my life completely, from being a shoemaker and getting 2 shillings a month, to a 24 hour worker working to improve my future." Cooper McRae.
- "It was hard work living in Australia because men had to make bridges, roads, houses and schools." Chelsea Rhodas.
- "The food was better than in England and on the ship, the air was fresher and people got less diseases." Erika Winter-Chappel.

Finally, we created a diorama showing a scene from the journey of the First Fleet.

Mother's Day Stall

We wish to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Sue Spruce, Mrs Sue Connor and Ms Melissa Jones for organising this stall for our students. This is a very special time for our children to buy something little for their mums / grandmothers or carers which makes their faces light up on that Sunday morning.

Thank you to all the lovely parent helpers on the day – we would be lost without you!
Mother's Day Raffle Winners

- 1st Prize – Jessica Clarke
- 2nd Prize – Lani Crook
- 3rd Prize – Ashaya Jones

Under 8's Day – Celebrating 60 Years

Junior Classes coming to Proserpine State School

Whitsunday Weightlifting will be running their junior classes at the school commencing in the next couple of weeks.

We teach children from Prep to 17 years of age in this program.

All Enquiries to whitsundayweightlifting@gmail.com

Leanne Knox

2016 ICAS Testing Dates

The first ICAS test, Digital Technologies, will be held on Tuesday 17th May.

It will begin straight after lunch, at 1.45pm in the STIC. Students may bring pencil and rubber, but these will also be provided.

These students are to attend:

- Year 2 - Sarah Avery
- Year 3 - Noah Barrett
- Year 4 - Aimee Sturner, Jack Ellem, Madison Cleaver, Daniel Moller
- Year 5 - Ethan Smith, Jett Pannan, Magenta Tulk
- Year 6 - Indra Susila, Jim Smith, Jaxon Tulk, Kieran Jensen
- Science - Tuesday 31st May
- Writing - Tuesday 14th June
- English - Tuesday 2nd August
- Mathematics - Tuesday 16th August

If your child is doing any of the tests, please make a note of the dates.

QParents

For further information:
https://qparents.qld.edu.au/
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RDOEfRCR-Q

Register online and then download the FREE IPhone app

Facebook Page

For the latest news and any important school alerts please LIKE the Proserpine State School facebook page.

It is a key point of information regarding changes to school routine, upcoming events, good news stories etc.

To visit the page click here:
http://www.facebook.com/ProserpineStateSchool

Whitsunday Weightlifting

Emily Hinschen competed at the Queensland Youth and U15 championships in Toowoomba on the weekend. She finished second in the women’s 44kg Under 15 division and second also in the U17 44kg division. She broke her own Australian records for women’s 32kg in both lifts. She also achieved two new personal bests at this competition.

Emily has a very bright future in the sport and has qualified to attend the National U15 and Youth Championships in Sydney in July. We wish you the best of luck!
Tuckshop

For easy online ordering just register via the link below or contact flexischools on 1300 361 769. Alternatively, you can collect further information from the ladies at the tuckshop.

P & C

Next Meeting

Thursday 19th May, 2016

The P & C encourages any new parents to attend the meetings.

Uniform Shop

HELP - VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The uniform shop is looking for a volunteer to open up on Thursday Afternoons between 2:45pm and 3:15pm.

Please phone Karen on 0459 763 268 if interested.

OPEN
Monday 8:30am – 9:30am

If you can’t make the opening hours, order forms are available from the Office or you can download an order form from the link below.

Thank you for the donations of pre-loved clothing. More donations would be greatly appreciated.

We sell on a CASH ONLY basis to keep the cost of uniforms down. Thank you for your support.

Community Notices

Proserpine Whitsunday Junior Rugby League

Whitsunday Voices

Whitsunday Voices Youth Literature Festival

WEDNESDAY 13 JULY - SATURDAY 16 JULY 2016

"Don’t be Boring!"

Presented by Harry Long

This event is a must for teachers, librarians and parents who want practical advice which can be used back in the classroom or when assisting children in their writing endeavours. Ask award-winning children’s author, poet, performer and teacher, Harry Long, as he imparts his knowledge on how to get the fact creative writing to flow.

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