



THE NEWS



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CALD PLAY GROUP

A chance to meet other families and children

CALD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) mothers and fathers are invited to bring their children along to a free play group at the Community Centre's Childcare Centre, 22 Charles Street Pinalba, on Wednesdays (starting on the 26th April) from 9:30-11. For more information on how to register for a free play group please call Robyn on 4194 3077 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

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INFORMATION IN THE OFFICE

- Little Joeys Playgroup infant—Pre-prep in playgroup room, every Monday from 9-11am
- Combination Fitness combines punchfit boxing techniques. 6am Monday's & 1pm Wednesday's. \$10per class. Contact Darren 0412 556 325 or face book combinationfitnessherveybay
- Riverside Christian College is hosting the Interscholar Equestrian Competition 23-25 August. Further information www.nominate.com.au or on face book at FraserCoastIEC.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

April

- 28th - Indigenous Playgroup 9-11am
- - Parade—Senior

May

- 1st - Public Holiday
- 2nd - USHS Year 6 Academic Enrichment Day
- 3rd - Zone Cross Country at St James
- 5th - Indigenous Playgroup 9-11am
- - Year 6 Open Day HBHS
- - Parade—Whole School
- 8th - Little Joeys Playgroup 9-11am
- 9th - Grade 3 & 5 NAPLAN Testing
- 10th - Water Wise talk Prep U 1.45pm
- - Grade 3 & 5 NAPLAN Testing
- 11th - Grade 3 & 5 NAPLAN Testing
- - USHS ACE Program



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the first edition of the Term 2 newsletter and the first time it is solely emailed to all parents in our community. The new process will see the Newsletter emailed out to all staff and to the parents who have provided an email address to the School's Admin (as well as the youngest in the family.) There will be 50 printed copies made available to our parents from the Admin Building each fortnight.

Our staff and students are extremely busy this term with the catchup Rewards Day, Cross Country and ANZAC Day Parade (where we had over 100 students and 20 staff attend the local Parade and March) already gone but we still have Labour Day, Fraser Coast Show, NAPLAN tests, Zone Cross Country, finalising assessment tasks, report cards and more to come. Additionally, planning is underway for the school to be involved in this year's Whale Festival. This year will see the return of the Parade using vehicles and walking along the Esplanade. Our school was the last school to win the 'Best Float' section of the Parade and I am sure that Mrs Bailey, Miss Brydie, Mrs Hatch and the team will ensure we retain this prestigious title. Watch the newsletter and Facebook page for more details on how to help out as we near the festival date.

Currently, our school has 485 students enrolled with two classes being at capacity. We have vacancies in all year levels and can look at enrolments outside of our catchment area for all year levels except Year 6.

A reminder to all members of our community of relevant school routines;

* There will be a senior Parade this Friday from 2:15pm onwards and a whole school Parade in Week 3 where the Bronze awards will be handed out.

* There are two public holidays coming up; Monday 1st May is Labour Day and May 26th is the Fraser Coast Show Holiday. Please be aware that there will be no staff at school on either day so please do not send your child to school.

* Rewards Day Activities – this year the school is covering the costs of Rewards Days. As per last year, the criteria to be eligible to attend Rewards Day is no unreturned library books or home readers, no more than 2 detentions, no suspensions and the Student Resource Scheme must be up to date ie. paid at least \$65 or a payment plan in place by the end of the term. **Please note: Due to a drop in our attendance rate, from this term onwards, students must also attend above the 92% mark to be eligible to attend Rewards Day.** Students who have long term absences for sickness and those on holiday with their parents will have these absences exempted from the data.

STAFFING CHANGES

This term, there are a number of programs that have some minor changes in the staffing. In 1U, Mr Fisher will be teaching on Fridays instead of Mrs Birgan who has left the school. Mr Fisher will also be in Mytherine for Thursdays. Mr Wyatt (Mytherine) and Mr Turner (Year 5) have returned from leave as has Mr Chapman (Student Welfare and Year 1 Teacher Aide).

ATTENDANCE:

Our school, like all others in Queensland, follow the mantra that "Every Day Counts". In other words, students need to attend as many school days as possible, if they are to develop to their full potential.

This school will again be carefully watching the attendance rates of every class and there will be prizes given to the top 3 classes from Weeks 1 to Week 9. The top class will receive a Subway Lunch Party, 2nd place will receive \$50 extra resources for the classroom and 3rd place will receive an Icy Pole for each student in that class. Last term saw the lower school dominate the placings with only 3U and 6U offering competition from middle and upper school.

This year we have four Explicit Improvement Agenda target areas:

- ***Whole school improvement in Reading and Numeracy;***
 - ***Increased number of students in the Upper Two Bands in NAPLAN testing;***
 - ***Improved Attendance; and***
 - ***Increased performance for students with disabilities.***
- Additionally, this year we will be providing this Service Guarantee (ie. promise) to all parents and caregivers of our school –***

"Every student will have a teacher read to them, every day."

P&C EXECUTIVE

It is my pleasure to welcome our new Urangan Point State School P&C Executive that was elected in the March AGM;

President: Priscilla Dullaway
Vice-President: Magali Mueller
Secretary: Katie Norris
Treasurer: Jana Lloyd

I look forward to working with this new committee throughout 2017 and supporting them in their vision of providing airconditioning for all students of the school.

Have a great fortnight,
Damien Gainsford
Principal

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Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
01/5 - 5/5	Public Holiday	10-11am Leadership Meeting 11.30am-12.30pm LIFT for Governance Meeting (HBSHS) 12-3pm BSS Principal's Meeting	9.10-9.40am Stakeholders Meeting 10.15-10.45am Meeting Leisa Staunton 3.15-3.45pm Staff Meeting		8am-3pm Damien of Level 2 Behaviours 2.15pm Parade Whole School 6-9pm Corrinne's Art Show—ASD—Multi Sensory
8/5—12/5	11.45am—12.45pm Meeting Andrew Nye (HOC) 3-5pm QTU Reps—Principals Meeting	9-11am Steve Case visit with Leadership Team	10.12-10.45am Damien meeting Leisa Staunton 3.15-3.45pm Cluster Meeting		8am-3pm Damien of Level 2 Behaviours 2.15pm Parade—Junior
DP —Mark					
1/5-5/5	Public Holiday	10-11am Supervising Solid Pathways 10-11am Leadership Meeting 1.25-1.40pm Detention Room	9am-3pm District Cross Country—St James 3.15-3.45pm Staff Meeting		12-1pm Supervise Solid Pathways 1.25-1.40pm Detention Room 2.15pm Parade Whole School
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MASTER TEACHER NEWS

We welcome any children from birth to pre prep age to attend our Little Joeys playgroup on a Monday morning from 9am – 11am. This happens in our playgroup area near the tuckshop, towards the back of the school. This is a wonderful time to engage with your child in 'play' that fosters their development and interaction skills with children in their age group. Please remember to bring some morning tea and a drink bottle for your little one.

Within my role, I continue to support the Speech Sound Pics approach throughout the school this term. Our fantastic speech pathologist, Tracey Bennion is also supporting teachers in delivering this approach in some of our classes. Tracey has modelled the speedy six spelling activities in our upper school classrooms this week and will continue this support over the next few weeks. The students were very excited and engaged in the approach and loved using their duck hands to code map their spelling words.
Angela Hubbert

NEWS FROM YEAR 4

Welcome back to Term 2, 4U and 4P and parents. We had a terrific Term 1 and are hoping for just as much effort and participation this term. During English this term, we will be looking at traditional stories (Indigenous, folktales and fairy tales) with the assessment being the students writing their own traditional story (an example from one of our students is below). This will build on their writing skills from Term 1. Maths continues to build on their knowledge of numbers to ten thousands and then delves into mapping skills. Science and Technology will focus on Forces (push/pull) with the students culminating activity to create a pinball machine (cardboard). Please start collecting suitable boxes (fruit boxes, moving cartons, etc) as they will likely create these approximately Weeks 5-7. I hope everyone has a rewarding term.

The Fake Bird Pie

One morning Mrs Twit was very angry at Mr Twit because he played lots of tricks on her. So she decided to play a trick on him which involved making a fake bird pie that Mr Twit had to eat. But Mrs Twit had already cut it for him. When Mr Twit ate the bird pie he screamed, "you dirty old rumpet". Then he got sticky glue on his false teeth. The trick was supposed to be that Mr Twit eats the pie and shrinks. Mr Twit ate it and shouted, "Why did you make a bird pie? He stamped away. The next day they both got the shrinks and rapidly got smaller and smaller until they both shrank until they were gone. The mailman came in and said, "Who lives here?" But then noticed that the Twits were gone. They didn't have to listen to the Twits fight any more.

Cheers,
Mr Harris and Mrs Rogers

CHOIR

Urangan Point State School Senior Choir will be performing on Tuesday 16 May. The event, Creative Generation Voices will start at 1:20 pm at Kawungan State School hall. Everyone is welcome to come and support these students. Notes will be going out Friday. Please make sure you have the correct choir uniform organised.

Thank you Mrs Hatch

HOC NEWS



FREE!

Parent Maths Workshop
Monday 22nd of May
Sandy Strait State School
6:00 - 7:30pm

Hervey Bay state schools have organised Micheal Ymer to visit Sandy Strait SS on Monday 22 of May to deliver a Parent information workshop on maths.

In the workshop he will provide great advice and hands-on ideas on how parents can support their child's development in Mathematics.

Michael is a specialist mathematics consultant from Melbourne. He is involved in many Professional Development programs in schools across Australia and Asia. Michael is an enthusiastic and entertaining presenter who has a clear and practical approach to the challenges that confront schools and parents in Mathematics.



STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

Well done to the Student Council for presenting the ANZAC Parade last Monday and also raising \$88 dollars for the Hervey Bay RSL through the sale of badges and stickers. Breakfast Club is continuing to be more and more popular each week, so if you need breakfast on the go, it's available Monday to Friday from 8.30am at the canteen. Please remember it closes at 8.50am to allow time for our student leaders to prepare for their day. Further fundraising being undertaken by our Student Council is the sale of icy-cups on Friday afternoons from 3pm. Student leaders make these in their own time to generate funding for initiatives to give back to the school. Icy-cups are available at the prep area near the prep playground and also near the administration/ bike rack area exit. Icy cups will only be offered for another few weeks then will return at the end of Term 3.
Thank you for supporting our Student Council.

P&C MOTHERS DAY STALL

The P&C will be running a Mother's Day stall from the tuckshop again this year on the 11th and 12th of May. Prices will range between \$2-\$6. Please get behind the P&C and support this stall and get something nice for your mum as well.



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