20/10/2015

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

STUDENT FREE DAY
Yesterday was a Student Free Day across all schools in Queensland. This is scheduled to allow the Secondary teachers an opportunity to complete their moderation tasks across all the schools. All other Student Free Days are held during the school holidays so that there is no impact on parents and students. Yesterday our Specialist teachers hosted or participated in Network meetings both here at Crescent Lagoon and also in Gladstone. Our Prep teachers for 2016 participated in the Early Years Conference while our Year 1-6 teachers worked on the Australian Curriculum and developed the planning for 2016. Our Teacher Aides all attended the Teacher Aide Workshops in Rockhampton which also gave them an opportunity to network with other Teacher Aides across the region. Feedback from many staff members was that they had a successful day and learnt a lot of new information.

ATTENDANCE
Parents and carers are reminded that the first bell in the morning is at 8:40am with instruction starting at 8:50am. We have developed a policy of allowing children to go straight to classrooms if they arrive by 9:30am, only requiring a Late Slip if they arrive after that time. However it is important that students are in class for the first 40 minutes as this is the time when a teacher sets the instructions for the day and gives reminders to students. A child who is late every day will miss two and a half hours of learning every week and over the year this equates to a child being absent for four weeks! That’s one tenth of the school year! That’s a lot of learning to be missing! Parents and carers need to give their children the best possible opportunity to learn by ensuring that children go to bed early enough to be able to get up and be at school in a timely manner. Congratulations to Mrs T and 1 Blue for improving their attendance last week and achieving the highest result. Overall the Attendance was slightly down on the previous week so let’s all work together to ensure that everyone is attending every day!

Term 4 Week 2

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BEHAVIOUR
This week the Behaviour rule is: Be Respectful – Treat others the way you want to be treated. Our Parade today will be a Behaviour Awards Parade and all community members are welcome to attend

CLASSES FOR 2016
As I stated last term we are going to create an extra class next year so that we can arrange our classes more easily. There will be three straight Prep classes and three straight Year One classes with approximately 21 children in each class, and this will allow us to create the majority of straight classes throughout the school. The only exception will be in Year 4. There will be two Year 4 classes which will have 20 Year 4 students in each class and a small number of Year 3 and Year 5 students attached.

2015 Term Dates
Term 1: 27/01 – 02/04
Term 2: 20/04 – 26/06
Term 3: 13/07 – 18/09
Term 4: 06/10 – 11/12

Office Times: 7:45 – 3:45pm
Teachers have been assigned to their Year levels for 2016. They are as follows:

**Prep** – Miss Andrea, Mrs Louden and Mrs O’Grady;  
**Year One** – Miss Nolan, Mrs Thurecht, Mrs Stewart with Mrs Bull;  
**Year Two** – Miss Weeks, Mrs Woods with Mrs Stainkey  
**Year Three** – Miss Raymont, Mrs Wehmeier  
**Year Four** – Mrs Laidlaw (Yr3/4), Mrs Ryan (Yr4/5)  
**Year Five** – Mr Jones and a new teacher TBA  
**Year Six** – Mr Johnston, Mr Edwards

I have complete confidence in our teachers and they have all demonstrated their ability to produce excellent results with the students. In November we will begin to sort classes of students so if parents have preferences for teachers or other students to be in the same class (or not) they need to contact Miss Olive who will record your thoughts and then the Admin Team will take this into consideration as we sort the classes with our teachers. There is no guarantee that we can meet all requests but we do appreciate your input

### NAPLAN RESULTS

We have been analysing the 2015 NAPLAN data and are pleased to report that our Indigenous students are performing at the same level as, or above, our Non-indigenous students. This is a great result reflecting all the hard work that staff and parents are putting into our students! Well done everyone! We have outperformed the Regional result and the State result in most areas.

### UNIFORMS

As we approach the end of the year it is becoming apparent that some children are growing out of their uniforms as we are seeing more and more students not wearing the agreed uniform. Parents and carers are reminded that the Uniform Shop is open every Thursday morning from 8:30am and does have some second-hand items available from $2. This might suit parents who just need an extra one or two pairs of shorts or a skorts to see their child through the year. Anyone who has old uniforms that their children have out-grown can drop them in at the office and we will pass them on or you are welcome to place a notice on the Noticeboard near the Tuckshop if you want to sell them yourselves.

### P&C NEWS

At last week’s P&C meeting we presented the new No Lunch Policy. Basically we have formalised the practices already in place to make sure that we are tracking the students who frequently have no lunch and also providing them with some form of nutrition to keep them going. If a pattern is observed Admin will be contacting the family for some further information.

### ADVANCING EDUCATION

Last week the Department of Education and Training (DET) launched its Action Plan for State Schooling in Queensland, “Advancing Education”. This document outlines the future direction of education in Queensland, with a distinct emphasis on being innovative, having a skilled workforce, promoting positive school transitions, using digital technologies, developing global citizens, investing in schools and supporting student learning. Alongside this document is **Coding Counts**, a discussion paper that outlines the importance of coding skills and robotics to prepare our learners for the jobs of the future.

Enjoy your week,

Carry
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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**WEEK 7 OCT/NOV**

| 9    | 10   | 9-11am Step Into Prep Wk6/8 2pm Parade |
| 11   | 12   | Remembrance Day Yr6 SWD Transition Program RSHS 2-3pm IMP 2016 Recruitment Session, Hall 9-11am Step Into Prep Wk6/8 |
| 13   | 14/15| Interschool Sport wk7/9 |

**WEEK 8 NOVEMBER**

| 16   | 17   | RESOURCE CENTRE CLOSED THIS WEEK 9-10am Prep Open Session Year 6 Camp Mon-Fri 3.20pm P&C Meeting, RC |
| 18   | 19   | 9-11am Step Into Prep Wk7/8 2pm Parade |
| 20   | 21/22| Interschool Sport wk9/9 |

**DATE CLAIMERS:**
- 7 December – Yr6 Graduation Ceremony
- 8 December – Yr6 Cresso Croc Parade
- 8 December – Deadly Awards Night
- 11 December – Tuckshop Closed

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

The following students were congratulated for their achievements in class at Parade

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<td>Bailey</td>
<td>Her creativity and use of humour when writing stories.</td>
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<td>Extending his vocabulary during writing activities.</td>
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<td>Evie</td>
<td>Always trying to write and make sense.</td>
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<td>Jack</td>
<td>Fantastic, creative and imaginative stories.</td>
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<td>Paul</td>
<td>Producing creative literacy activities for Homework.</td>
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<td>Ethan</td>
<td>Extending his ideas and using compound sentences.</td>
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<td>Jazzmen</td>
<td>Fantastic improvement in her cursive handwriting.</td>
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<td>Showing improvement in his writing by using paragraphs and correct structure.</td>
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<td>Yoss</td>
<td>For demonstrating fear and personality in her letter to a student of the future.</td>
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**RESOURCE CENTRE**

**Reading Knights**

It’s great to see so many students working towards their Reading Knights goals. Don’t forget the idea is to read EVERY night, with only one entry per night.

Congratulations to our students who are progressing towards their Reading Knights goals.

**Blue Page** (25 nights)

- PB-Aleeyah
- 1B-Grace
- 2R-Jarrod, Lani, Willem, Lachlan
- 2/3P-Monique, Dominick, Josh
- 3B-Blake
- 4B-Jack, Will

**Blue Apprentice** (50 nights)

- 2/3P-Josh

**Scholastic Buy One Get One Free Book Sale**

We have a great opportunity for some early Christmas shopping on Wednesday 11 November from 3.15-5pm with a buy one, get one free offer from Scholastic. This is not a fundraiser for the school, but a thank you from Scholastic for our Book Fair earlier in the year. Sale tables will be set up on the Resource Centre veranda.

**Closure – End of Term**

The Resource Centre will be closing to students in Week7/8 of this term to allow us to commence the collection of resources for stocktake in Week9/10. More information on alternative arrangements will be provided in future newsletters.

Miss Lynn & Miss Schneider
Lote Competitions

Japanese Speech Contest went well and was successful. The participants displayed a high proficiency in Japanese. The competition was supported by the Japanese Embassy. There were 30 Year 6 participants and 32 Year 5 participants.

Winners of the second Crescent Lagoon State School Japanese contest:

* First place – Jake (Year 6)
* Second place – Leo (Year 5),
* Third place – Bostyn (Year 5), Brock (Year 6), Yagany (Year 6), Rachelle (Year 6)

Congratulations all winners and participants. Well done all.

CQ Language Art Contest winners of Crescent Lagoon State School

Jolianne (6) - Highly Commended
Emma (6) Highly Commended
We had over 200 entries from 17 schools, great effort Jolianne and Emma!!

Jiwon Kennedy
Lote Teacher

Quirky's Quotes

“As I grow older my mind doesn’t just wander…..sometimes it disappears completely.”

Louise Quirk

TUCKSHOP NEWS!

We have started Term 4 with a distinct shortage of volunteers due to sickness and others finding permanent employment. I have had some volunteers working more than one shift a week and I have imposed on my daughter to help out on a couple of occasions. I don’t think this is fair to be doing this as she has her own business to attend to and does not have children attending Cresso that benefit from the profits made at the tuckshop. All I require is assistance from 9am till 11am. Grandmothers, grandfathers, aunts and uncles are most welcome as the work is easy and a fun time is also had. All pizzas have been deleted off the menu as at present I am unable to get a satisfactory product from suppliers.

Look forward to seeing some new volunteers so that we can ensure that the tuckshop continues to stay open for your children and provide them with learning resources.

Rob Comollatti
Tuckshop Convenor

P&C News

Cresso Christmas Carnival

Rides’n’Slides are offering a discount on Pre-sold Ride Passes for $27 from the school office if bought by Thursday 26th November – they will be $32 on the night, or individual rides will be $5. Pre-sold passes are available from the office now. See the attached flyer. WIN WIN WIN, a Samsung Tablet to be won by one lucky person who has purchased a pre-paid unlimited ride pass. Prize will be drawn on the night.

Baking Day

The Tuckshop will be closed on Friday 27 November to enable the baking of goods for the Cake stall, if you are able to help with baking please either see myself or Rob.

Multi-Draw Raffle

Tickets went home last week, please return all sold and non-sold tickets with the correct money directly to the Office by Thursday 26th November. If you require more tickets to sell, please let me know. We have received quite a few donations, but will gladly accept any further donations if you have anything or know a business that would be willing to help out please let me know.

Everything Quirky

Go’N’Run

Go’n’Run returns on Thursday.

Inside PE

Preppies are continuing to explore balls and are bouncing and throwing. Dancing skills are improving. I am pleased with the courtesy shown when dancing with someone else.

51 things to Do Before You’re 12

(Courtesy of Nature Play)

46. Identify the birds in your back yard.
47. Go abseiling.
48. Catch a tadpole (and release it).
49. Make a mud pie.
50. Find a puddle and use a magnifying glass to view the creatures in it.
51. Play beach cricket.
Crazy Sock and or Crazy Hair Day
Thursday 29th October will be Crazy Hair and or Crazy Sock day along with full Cresso Uniform. We are asking for a gold coin donation which will go towards purchasing chocolates etc for the Carnival.

P&C Meetings/Committee
The last P&C meeting for the year will be on Monday 16th November at 3:20pm, everyone is welcome and please bring a plate of food to share. The first meeting for 2016 will be on Monday 15th February at 3:20pm, this will also be the AGM. Several of the Executive roles will become available, you don’t need any special qualification to be on the Executive just an interest in working with a great group of people who all have the best interests of the Children and School in mind.

Thank you
Paula
P&C President

Crescent Lagoon Swim Club

Hello CLSS Families!

Swimming Competition season is now upon us! Our competition swimmers will be attending various meets to represent our little Club, and we can’t wait to cheer them on. Their next competition will be will be Saturday 31st October at the CQ University pool. Indiana and Felicity will be competing for the very first time!

Our Thursday Club nights are fun! It’s where swimmers from ages 3 to 18 swim a distance suitable to their ability, giving each stroke a go (butterfly, breast stroke, back stroke & freestyle). Our older swimmers generally start the night with the Individual Medley and it’s excellent to watch how much they improve each week. At Club, every swimmer earns points each time they swim, and at the end of the swimming season, trophies and medals are awarded based on each swimmer’s results throughout the year. We intend club nights to be fun for our parents & carers too, some who are kept busy time keeping whilst still able to watch their children swim and cheer them on.

If you’re keen to find out what Swim Club is all about, come to the pool in Willis Street! Club is on every Thursday, we arrive 5:30pm for swimming to start at 6:00pm. Swimmers are entitled to two free swims before joining, so come and give it a go! We offer a cheap meal and drink for dinner too!

Children age 7 and under are free to join and 8 year olds only half price! Swimmers have the choice of membership, to swim just for fun, or competitively.

Any enquiries, please contact our coach, Sonn Galvin at Puddle of Fun 0418 708 426 or send an email to the committee at crescentlagoonswimclub@yahoo.com.au

Thank you,
Swim Club Committee

Cresco Christmas Carnival
Friday 27 November 2015

UNLIMITED RIDES
$27.00 each person

Shark Inflatable Slide
Willy the Worm
Bungee Run
Stormider Show Ride

Splat Sponge Attack
Rockwall

UNLIMITED RIDES - The working height is near the child’s nose. All safety rules must be adhered to - No exceptions. No refunds.

Bring your pre-paid Unlimited Ride ticket to the entrance.

Have you got your Unlimited Ride Ticket?

Bringing Up Great Kids - Parenting Program
A reflective parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation

What to expect:
• Discover new ways to promote positive and respectful parent/child relationships using mindfulness and reflection
• Learn how to overcome some of the obstacles that are getting in the way of you being the kind of parent you would like to be – reflect on your experience of being parented
• Be able to identify and address the sources of unhelpful and hurtful attitudes
• Reduce parenting stress by developing self-care strategies

Who should attend?
Parents, step-parents, adoptive parents, grandparents and foster carers - all adults involved in parenting or caring for children.

When: Monday, 16 November, 2015, 9:30am – 2:30pm
Monday, 19 November, 2015, 9:30am – 2:30pm
Monday, 24 November, 2015, 9:30am – 2:30pm
Where: Umbrella Network, 254 Eldon Street, North Rockhampton
RSVP: Monday, 2nd November, 2015
Cost: Free – Morning tea and lunch will be provided

To register or for more info: 1300 523 985 or registrations@centacare.net

Presenter:
Reid Tiburgo – Mediator

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FAMILY FUN DAY!

SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER 2015
9am to 1pm

Adults $2 (14yrs+), Under 14 FREE
Purrey Steam Tram Rides $2.50
Ride on the world’s only Purrey Steam Tram (operates 10am to 1pm), look through a variety of rail rolling stock, rail memorabilia and exhibits, live music, market stalls, vintage Cars, and more.
Food on sale!

Archer Park Rail Museum
Denison Street Rockhampton
(between Archer and Cambridge Streets)

COME AND TRY DAY

Emu Park
Surf Life Saving Club

Come and Try Day
Sunday 25th October 2015
9:00am to 11:00am
At Emu Park Lifesaving Club, Kepel Street, Emu Park

Nippers
Boys & girls from 5 years to 14 years

Nippers Surf Sport Beach Patrols Surf Boats First Aid