When it rains look for RAINBOWS

When it’s dark look for STARS

Our theme for 2015 is “Make today your best day!”

Our theme song for 2015 is “Best Day of my Life” – American Authors

STUDENT PROTECTION CONTACTS

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2015 Term Dates

TERM 1
Jan 28 – April 2

TERM 2
April 20 – June 26

TERM 3
July 13 – Sept 18

TERM 4
Oct 6 – Dec 4 (12noon)
RUNNING SHEET FOR LITTLE STARS MUSICAL – WEDNESDAY 16th SEPTEMBER

Details for students who will be coming to school that morning, and who need hair, make-up, costumes and transport, will be communicated next week.

1. **10.30am** ........... Leads arrive (all students that will have a mic for the show – need to be sound checked)
2. **12.15pm** .......... All students to arrive and go directly to the Green Room where their classroom teachers will be waiting. This is the building on the right as you walk towards the ticketing entrance -the ‘old’ performing arts centre.
3. **1.00pm** ........... Matinee starts. Children and teachers will stay in the Green Room for the length of the show (1 hour & 30 minutes).
4. **3.00pm** ........... We will be completely finished by then & parents can come to the Green Room to collect their child.
5. **4.30pm** .......... Leads arrive for the evening performance.
6. **5.15pm** .......... All students arrive for the evening performance. They will be dropped off as mentioned above.
7. **6.00pm** .......... Evening performance commences.
8. **8.00pm** ........... FINISHED!!

MORE MUSICAL NEWS

On Tuesday 15th September we have our full dress rehearsal at the Redlands Performing Arts Centre. We appreciate the support of families in dropping off their children there by 9:00am and picking them up at our 3:00pm usual finishing time. Please advise if you are unable to drop off or pick up your child/ren at RPAC.

Straddie children and Outside School Hours Care children will be transported to and from the venue that usual drop off and pick up procedures will be the same.

1:00pm Performance – can you please advise via email if your child will be coming to school as usual on Tuesday and/or Wednesday 16th September and need to be transported to the venue so that we can arrange a bus(es) if needed.

A reminder that all costumes will be left at RPAC after the dress rehearsal on the Tuesday and children will need to change before the 1:00pm matinee performance. Their costumes will remain at RPAC for the 6:00pm performance and so will need to be back at the venue ready to change again.

FATHER’S DAY FUNCTION

Although it was a chilly evening, Dads, Grandads and children came prepared with coats, pillows, blankets and even beanbags! Congratulations to our Year 1 Mums who co-ordinated the event, food, popcorn and photo booth.

It was wonderful to watch Dads cuddling up with their children watching an animated movie. From my perspective, our students behaved beautifully and it was a very enjoyable and successful function.

MASSIVE THANK YOU FROM YEAR 1

The parents from Year 1 would like to thank everyone for coming to our Father’s Day Movie Night last Friday. The night was such good fun, and it stayed dry!!

We hope everyone enjoyed the movie, got some ‘funny’ pics in the photo booth and enjoyed the yummy popcorn, not forgetting the delicious food cooked and served by some very special school mums.

Thank you to all the school staff for all their time in putting together our ‘Why We Love Our Dads’ presentation, and to Mrs Bakon and Miss Williamson and who were in attendance.

Lastly, thank you to all the mums and dads who volunteered their time.
JOSH DUNFORD’S FUNDRAISER
A huge thank you to everyone for your support last Friday. We raised $500 which will not only support Josh but also Cancer Research.

FIRST COMMUNION
A large number of our students made their First Communion last weekend and more will receive communion for the first time this weekend. It is a wonderful celebration for our parish and families. We ask your prayers for all these children and their families.

VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR PASSAGE STREET CROSSING
I want to acknowledge the generous contribution of time by our Mums who have volunteered for and have been trained in supervising our crossing on Passage Street. The efforts of Chae McMorin, Adele Redenbach, Tine Van Acker and Cara Bujeja have been amazing.

We started this program with 6 Mums and currently are down to these 4 lovely ladies. Next year Chae’s daughter moves to high school, Tine and her family are moving back to Belgium and Cara is returning to further study. Therefore, we are in desperate need of parents who can be trained and who can be placed on our roster.

The crossing is supervised from 8:30am to 9:00am in the mornings and 2:45pm – 3:15pm in the afternoons. Could you please contact me urgently if you are willing to volunteer?

BUSHLAND PROJECT
I am meeting with our parent sub-committee next Tuesday evening to plan the next stage of our development.

CEREBRAL PALSY ALLIANCE
From Wednesday, 2nd September I will be taking on the challenge of completing 15,000 steps a day, for the entire month of September to raise vital funds for Cerebral Palsy Alliance. The average office worker only takes around 3,000 steps per day, so 15,000 steps a day is going to be quite the challenge. But it’s for a very worthy cause.

Cerebral palsy is the most common physical disability in childhood. One in two people with cerebral palsy are in chronic pain due to the tightening of their muscles. Many will never be able to take a single step without assistance. If you're not sure where to start, a donation of $55 could support research actively preventing CP in newborn babies.

You can donate to my fundraising page: http://bit.ly/1UqBmSs Any amount you contribute would make a huge difference to children and adults living with cerebral palsy and of course encourage me to complete this challenge!

It has been 4 years and 8 months since my son Chris was born with mild cerebral palsy. Needless to say this is a cause that is so close to my heart. Your donation will help fund vital equipment, services and research. Stepping 15,000 steps a day for CP is not easy and I will have to dig deep just like my little man does every day.

So please visit my fundraising page and dig deep just like we are. You’ll receive an automated receipt as every donation over $2 is tax deductible.

Thank you so much, Amanda Wuth

THURSDAY LUNCH
As next Wednesday is our Little Stars Musical, there will not be a Sausage Sizzle for lunch next week.

Parents will need to provide their child lunch on Thursday 17th September.
Welcome to our Books by the Bay Library and Cafe corner in Prep. The culmination of our Discovery Unit has seen us open our own bookshop where we have books we have written using our celebrated authors as inspiration for our own stories.

We have loved learning about books, writing our own stories and making our own library cards to use. We have shared our stories with our families and buddies during our Reading Morning on Wednesday.

Our motto in Prep is 'writing is exciting!'.

We are the light of the world! In the past few weeks we have been thinking about the teachings of Jesus and working out ways we can be more like him every day. We have also looked into the ministry of the Disciples and the important part they played in spreading the Good News of the Lord. We look forward to celebrating our classroom liturgy next Friday to finish off what has been a sensational term.

In Maths we are extremely proud of our time-telling skills. We can read half past, on an analogue clock! We are also focusing on grouping numbers and multiplication skills.

Our stories are getting better and better each week. We didn’t realise that writing and illustrating narratives was so much fun. Our writing goals are really helping us fine tune our work.

A big thank you to all of the parents who organised the Father’s Day Movie Night last Friday. We all had an awesome time!

It has been another busy but exciting week in Year Two! We cannot believe it is already the end of Week 9, where has the term gone? We guess the saying is true, time really does fly when you’re having fun!

This week we have had some special visitors in the room including Miss Willis on Tuesday, who helped us write some persuasive texts. We loved hanging out with another teacher from our school.

In Literacy this week, our focus has been to independently produce a persuasive text using the many skills and strategies practised this term.

We have also been building on our punctuation skills, knowledge of syllables and reading comprehension skills during rotations.
In maths this week, we have started revising some of our very important addition and subtraction strategies ranging from our simple, quick facts all the way to double and triple digit sums requiring regrouping and borrowing. Don’t forget the rule, if the BOTTOM is BIGGER we BORROW!

We were so fascinated to see one of our Dinosaur Creations in the classroom today. Charmaine has been working hard on this art work at home with her Dad to produce an amazing paper-mache Pteranodon.

We hope you enjoy the weekend! We are really looking forward to performing in our Musical next Wednesday.

This week in Year 3, we have begun planning our diorama for Discovery Learning. We are to create a new animal and an environment that specifically suits that animal. So far, we are in the planning stage. Take a look at some of our cool ideas!

Throughout the term, we have been growing our very own plants, including wheatgrass. We have all been very eager to taste it. However most of us agree that it’s not so flavoursome by itself.

So… we made smoothies with it! We added banana, orange and apple, with a few sprigs of home-grown wheatgrass. Yum!

Enjoy your week!

In Discovery, as you probably know, we have been making Rube Goldberg machines. This was our final week to complete, finish and video our machines. Now that we have finished studying forces, in Science we are very excited to find out what Discovery topic feature in Term 4.

Our Powerpoint presentations are awesome! Every Term this year we have been doing Powerpoint presentations. Some very interesting topics have been ‘How to train a dog’, ‘How to tie a bowline’.

In Maths we have been getting a head start on division for next year. We have been learning mental strategies to help us with division. We are also learning about fractions.

In PE we have been learning how to play netball. We have been playing European Handball to help us learn the rules and game strategy. This week we played netball but we used soccer goals.

In Drama this term we have been learning how to write and preform mini plays. We also made really cool props like masks, crowns and moustaches. The names of the mini plays we preformed were ‘Wild Things’, ‘Cinderella’, ‘The Three Monsters’ and ‘The Little Red Hen’.

What is the time? That is the question in Year 5 this week. We are all learning about what 12 hour and 24 hour time means in Maths. We are also discovering patterns with decimals and adding tenths, hundredths and thousandths to a number to continue the pattern.

Ask any Year 5 student about the planet Saturn and we have your answers on our Discovery Learning wall for anyone to check out.

This Friday we are all excited about Gala Sports day and playing Soccer, Netball and Oz tag. We have also been hard at work practising for the school musical next week and if you haven’t got tickets, now is the time to get in before they run out.
The term is fast approaching and we can't believe it's the second last week of the term so much has happened! Science Steve came and dazzled us with his cool science experiments, Iluka won the Athletics Carnival and our teachers have been super impressed with how much progress we are making with our learning.

Next term is quickly coming and we have some exciting things ahead in Term 4. The highlight we must say is camp! More news about camp is coming soon.

In Year Six this week, we had our Big Brain day on Monday. We learnt all about how our brains work. We started our day learning about our memory and the different parts of our brains. Then we went to Carmel College on a bus to dissect sheep brains in the science lab. It was really fascinating.

On Tuesday we had our Discovery Learning to finish. We had to write a news report about a natural disaster, film the report using the green screen and then edit our footage using iMovie.

We had our musical rehearsal and PE on Wednesday. In musical rehearsal we practiced our dancing and singing. In PE we continued to learn the rules and game play strategies of Netball.

We are looking forward to our Gala Sports day on Friday as we know the Star of the Sea teams will play well! Some students are playing netball others soccer and some Oztag. Have a great weekend.

By Ella and Dilan
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The class will be facilitated by Kellee & Trevanna who are both cooking demonstrators, foodies and Mums.

Location:
Lions Hall
Shore St Cleveland
(beside The Schoolhouse Gallery)

Session Times:
Thursday 24th September
1.30pm – 3.30pm (ages 11 – 14)

Wednesday 30th September
10am – 12pm (ages 7 – 10)

Thursday 1st October
1.30pm – 3.30pm (ages 11 – 14)

Cost:
$45 per child - $35 per sibling in same session

Limit of 10 per session

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