Opti-MINDS Regional Challenge

Congratulations to our Science Engineering Div Ill Team, who now go to Brisbane to represent the Wide Bay Region in the State Finals. Team members are Brandy Brand, Jaylan Bonny, Ethan Hornby, Cale Anderson, Georgia Kennedy and Hayley Milner. A great way to celebrate our 15th year in the Challenge.

### UPCOMING EVENTS ...

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Preparring Today For Life Tomorrow
Dear Parents and Students

If your child is in Year 3, 5, 7, or 9 you should have received a copy of their NAPlan Report in the mail as it was posted over two weeks ago. Please contact us if you did not receive your report. You will have heard in the media that Queensland NAPlan results have continued to improve and that 2015 is the best result to date for Queensland. For our school we also are extremely happy with improvements that we are seeing particularly around reading. For us while looking at the number of students at or above National Minimum Standard is important, what we look closely at is the relative gain for individual students and also for the school cohorts compared to the relative gain of the state and nation. It is very pleasing to be able to report to you that for the time period of 2013 - 2015 in 13 out of 15 strands tested we improved at a greater rate than the State Improvement Rate. I would like to acknowledge the hard work that the teaching staff and students have done over a number of years to make the improvements that we are seeing. Having said this, we know that there is still a lot of work to do to continue to improve our student results particularly in the area of writing and we are currently developing a literacy program that will focus on building basic writing skills and we have already started delivering this in the secondary school.

Congratulations also to our four Optiminds teams and their coaches who last weekend performed extremely well in the District Competition. Our Division 3 Team will now move into the State competition in October.

Mr Petersen, Mrs Bowman and I have finished reviewing our Year 11 and 12 student results and have been working on SET Plan interviews with our Year 10 students as part of the subject selection process. Students should have brought home their plans for you to see and sign off. As part of this process we have also been discussing subject selection for 2016. We no longer run Information Evenings around subject selections due to poor attendance and have found that it is more effective to meet face to face with parents who are interested in finding out about Senior or Year 7. These meetings allow parents to discuss specific requirements around their children and the process is much more personalised. If you would like to meet with an Admin member please phone the school to organise an interview time or we are happy to meet with you at the local Primary School if transport is an issue.

Just a reminder that on Monday 31 August to Wednesday 2 September we will be involved in our Full School Review with external reviewers visiting the school. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to speak with the reviewers. If you would like to participate (via phone interview) and haven’t already done so please contact the school.

Finally can I remind parents that the next three weeks are probably the busiest for Year 12 students. Please be patient and supportive, ensure that they are at school and if you are worried about how your child is coping please phone us as soon as possible so we can also put some support in here at the school. Teachers have rooms open if students need to work at lunch times, Mrs Bowman, Ms Dingle and Ms Wilson are running tutorials after school Thursday and class teachers, Mr Petersen and I are available to assist students if they need extra help. So far over 90% of our Year 12 students have passed their subjects and 100% are currently on track to achieve their QCE (Qld Certificate of Education). This is great work by this group of Year 12s and we want this to continue to the end of the year.

Also a reminder that although Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 September are QCS Test days for Year 12s, only a very small number of students are participating and it is classes as normal for everyone not doing the test. Year 12s cannot afford to be away from school.

P & C Father’s Day Raffle

Please send back any Father’s Day raffle tickets, sold or unsold no later than Tuesday 1st September. If you would like some more tickets please let the office know.

We have a great line up of prizes this year thanks to the generous donations from Tackleworld, King Kong Sales, Bunnings, BCF, Big W and K-mart. We have also had the fortune of receiving a personally signed NRL Football by Sonny Bill Williams. Tickets are $1.00 for a chance to win one of 12 prizes.

Drawn Thursday 3rd September.
From our Acting Deputy Principal Secondary School

Mr Dan Petersen

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

At this stage of the term with all Senior School students having multiple assessment pieces due, it is timely to look at the policy surrounding late submissions and non-submissions. Rosedale SS takes its policy directly from the QCAA as outlined below.

Late submission of student responses to an assessment instrument

Judgments of student achievement in Authority and Authority-registered subjects are made by matching a body of evidence provided by students’ responses to assessment instruments to the standards associated with exit criteria outlined in the relevant syllabus. In cases where students do not submit a response to an assessment instrument by the due date, judgments should be made using evidence available on or before the due date. The practice of awarding a lower standard as a penalty for lateness is not valid in a standards-based system of externally moderated school-based assessment.

Non-submission of student responses to an assessment instrument

This relates to the non-submission of student responses to an assessment instrument. A standard can only be awarded where evidence has been demonstrated. In cases of non-submission of student responses, an ‘E’ standard cannot be awarded where there is no evidence for it. Judgments of student achievement in Authority and Authority-registered subjects are made by matching a body of evidence provided by students’ responses to assessment instruments to the standards descriptors outlined in the relevant syllabus.

From these statements you can see that it is imperative that students meet due dates and hand in samples of work that can be marked against the set criteria.

From our Head of Junior Secondary

Ms Kim Snell

Junior Secondary - CQU Widening Participation Program

CQ University will be out supporting our students in Year 7 and 9 once a week until the end of term.

The Year 9 Program focuses on navigating pathways to career development. Students will learn about the key elements involved in achieving goals and complete modules designed to deepen career knowledge and self-awareness, creating a success-oriented mind-set. Topics include; Navigating Pathways, Career Options, Career Research, Pathways and Taking Action.

The Year 7 Program focuses on ‘self’ assessment as the first step of career development. In this program students will articulate their dreams; discover their passions and strengths; explore their values; build their resilience; identify mentors; and plan goals. The modules cover; Dreams, Passions and Strengths, Values, Resilience and Positivity, Goals Planning and Mentors.

Other events that our juniors have been involved in:

Year 7 and 8 Excursion to Monduran Dam
IMPACT booster writing project Year 8
Healthy Relationships – Year 7 & 9
Enviroweek – see below for details
Reef Guardian Program – see below

Transition to Secondary

As part of our transition program selected junior and senior students were invited to return to their primary schools and share their secondary school experience. They fielded many questions and were very knowledgeable about their school. Some of the topics covered included the idea of different teachers for each subjects, tuckshop, school sports, school camps, Optiminds and Cadets. Well done – Tannon Shorten, Kye Quartermain-Smithies, Riley Callow, Dane Coglan-Linsket and Caren Rattray.
IMPACT booster writing project

This semester selected year 4, 6 and 8 students will take part in the IMPACT booster writing project, a targeted and engaging writing project aimed at students who could reach the Upper 2 Bands in NAPLAN. The content of the project includes an in-depth look at the mechanics of writing and how language features, patterns and how text structure and organisation can influence an audience. Thank you to parents for supporting your child and the school in this project.

Healthy Relationships

Students in years 7 & 9 have been invited to attend a 5 week program delivered by the Family and Relationships Educator at CentacareCQ. This is a program aimed at educating and empowering adolescents to make positive choices about their relationships, with a ‘big picture approach’ to setting boundaries, positive expectations and increasing their self-worth. Content covered throughout the six weeks will include: Communicating with parents, role modelling, identifying acceptable behaviour (control, consent, physical aggression), Love vs. Lust, boundaries – intimate, peer and community and self-care.

Pre-Prep Program

Do you know someone starting Prep next year?

Enrolment packages are now available at the office. This year our Pre-Prep program will be running across 4x 2 hour morning sessions. Children will have access to classroom routines, literacy and numeracy activities and fine and gross motor experiences.

For the first time parents will have access to a range information sessions including: How you can help in the P1 classroom, strategies to support your child in their learning to read journey, strategies to make your child’s transition to school successful and classroom routines.

The Pre-prep program will run on the following days:

**Session 1:** Friday 23rd October, 9-11am

**Session 2:** Friday 6th November, 9-11am

**Session 3:** Friday 20th November, 9-11am

**Session 4:** Friday 4th December, 9-11am

A program and information letter can be collected from the office at the beginning of term 4. Names of attendees will also be taken at this point.

**Student Wellbeing**

**School Parking**

Please ensure you use the designated parking when you are dropping off / picking up students of a morning / afternoon. The **Bus Lane** must not be used between the times of 8.15am - 9.30am, 2.30pm -3.15 pm for the wellbeing of our students and the safety of all.
EnviroWeek is just around the corner. From the 31st August to 4th September Rosedale State School will be celebrating the week with a number of guests, environmental activities and fundraising. The main focus will be on reducing our litter to protect aquatic and terrestrial environments. See the program below for what’s happening; all relevant students are welcome to attend.

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**FUNDRAISING:** The student council will be fundraising for The Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre, off the Gladstone coast. They will be circulating the whole school throughout the week selling deliciously scented smencils and smens (scented pens and lead pencils). Environmentally friendly; these pens and pencils are made entirely from recycled newspaper, instead of wood.....NO TREES WERE HARMED in the making of this stationary! Pens will sell for $3.00 each and pencils $2.00 each. Be sure to bring in some money during EnviroWeek to purchase some useful stationary and help raise money for a fantastic cause.

*If you or your child can’t get enough of smencils and smens or want to collect the whole range, check out the enclosed smenvelope. where you can order in BULK to save heaps!!! Order envelopes with cash/cheque can be handed into the office and you can expect to receive your pens/pencils just in time for Term 4 (October).

Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre is Gladstone’s first permanent marine turtle rehabilitation facility, being fully open and operational since March of 2012. Natural occurrences and human interference are a major threat to the marine turtle population world-wide and recent extreme weather events in our region has exacerbated the precarious situation of our native turtles.
After the great success of our Mother’s Day Stall it is time now to gather your small change once again for our fabulous Father’s Day Stall!

P & C Association Father’s Day Stall will be on
THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

The stall will be open to both Primary and High school Students.
Primary Students will be visiting the stall during the morning with their class supervised by their respective teachers.
High School Students will have the opportunity to visit the stall at first break.

Opti-MINDS Regional Challenge

Congratulations to all students, parents and teachers involved with our Opti-MINDS teams this year, our 15th year in the competition. On Saturday 22nd August at Shaolm College Bundaberg, our school had 4 teams competing in the Regional Challenge. All categories were entered with 2 teams in the Language Literature section, and 1 team each in the Science Engineering and Socal Sciences sections.

All our teams did well on the day, with only 6 students having been in the challenge before we had a few anxious moments and butterflies but all ended well. The Rose Buds along with the Rockin Roses received the Spirit of Opti Award, our Senior team the Thorny Roses will be representing the Wide Bay area at the State Finals in Brisbane on the weeknd of 16th -18th October 2015. The Rosy Dales, competing against teams of straight grade 12 students put in a great effort, but sadly missed out.

Now we have the challenge of raising $3000 to be able to take our team to Brisbane, any individuals or businesses who would like to donate (large or small) towards this goal please ring the school on 4156 5777.
Students Going Green – Keisha Wilson

Year 11 and 12 students studying Science in Practice (SIP) are completing a unit on habitat restoration. Participating in emu parades (litter-clean ups) and Possum Gully habitat assessment; students are looking forward to tree planting around the school, visiting the community to assist with a local restoration project and learning about our school’s involvement with the Councils’ Cats Claw project. Students hope to get the chance to turn their Possum Gully restoration plans into practice in the near future.

Year 11 and 12 students studying Marine Science are currently learning of the trials and tribulations associated with aquaculture and most importantly how it provides a sustainable solution to global seafood demands. Students are getting hands on and growing juvenile red claw crayfish and investigating optimal dietary solutions to maximise productivity. Watch this space…red claw could be on the menu for Christmas lunch.

Six students from years 5-7 put on their reef guardian shields and attended the Future Leaders Eco-Challenge, held by GBRMPA on Tuesday 18th August. As a Reef Guardian school we are invited to attend this excursion annually. Our students were given the opportunity to mix with like-minded students from other Bundaberg schools to learn about protecting our marine environments. Jasmine, Ayla and Jesikah got creative with the camera in the digital photo biodiversity challenge; one of their photos could be a prize winner. Matt answered all the tree planting questions like a pro. Brianne went on the hunt for marine debris and Fuschia made a fantastic marine debris surveyor. A BIG THANK YOU must go out to parent, Connie Kelly for volunteering to chaperone several of the students to the excursion. It was a beautiful day to be outside and the children represented Rosedale School respectfully and responsibly.
Hello and God Bless from the Chappy.

Chaplain’s Corner

Mr Terrence Hawes

From our Student Support Officer
Mrs Nancye Manteit

Make Plans for your future... SuperiorPak Work Experience

Year 10 students interested in applying for work experience at SuperiorPak during term 4, 2015, please collect application information as soon as possible. Four placements only will be available for the term. Students need to be genuinely interested in participating in work experience, to commit to the whole term, and to complete by 3pm, Wednesday 09 September 2015.

*Résumé  *Expression of Interest  *Letter of Application

5 Trade Areas:
*Boilermaker  *Metal Fabrication  *Spray Painting  *Hydraulics &  *Electro-technology

Students who have already completed work experience throughout the year and would like to return in term 4, a re-application letter is required. Please hand to me by 3pm, Wednesday 09 September 2015.

Researching your future career path and finding job opportunities:


2. Want a free app for your mobile phone/tablet to research some more? For lots of information about jobs and what they are all about download Busy At Work's "Career Me" for Apple and Android mobiles/tablets. The app can be found on www.careerme.com.au
In 2016 all School uniform shorts are to be embroidered with the school logo. If you have recently purchased shorts from our Uniform Shop the P & C are able to get these embroidered at $4 per pair. A collection will be organised next term.

HEADLICE is back once again!

It is important to treat head lice and remain vigilant in checking on a regular basis.

An effective method of treating head lice is with conditioner and combing. This is easy to do, uses no chemicals and is cheap. After shampooing hair apply conditioner and use a nit comb to comb through. To check if there are nits or eggs present wipe on a tissue. Repeat every time hair is washed. Simple!
Child Protection Week 2015

Open now until 3rd September

Bundaberg’s National Child Protection Week Colour Competition
Entry open to those under 12 years, prizes from Dymocks Bookstore. Drop off points for entries: Child Safety Office (Wharton Building Quay street) BRAG & Bundaberg Regional Council Community Services Office 157 Bourbong Street.

Protecting children is everybody’s business Child Protection Week Action Group supported activities

Tuesday 8 September
Community Conversation—“Substance abuse and health concerns among our young community”. Parents and youth are invited to interact with community professionals on this subject. To be held at the University QLD Rural Clinical School on the grounds of Bundaberg Base Hospital. To enquire or register contact uqrcs.bundaberg@uq.edu.au or phone 4130 1906

Wednesday 9 September
Child Protection Week Breakfast
Bundaberg RSL – Coral Sea Room – 6.45am for 7am start, tickets $20 and available at Phoenix House Barolin Street Bundaberg. Guest speaker: David Pugh, CEO of AnglicareNT

Friday 11 September
Rainbow Day – FREE Under 5’s day. PCYC 48 Targo Street next door to McDonalds. 9am – 11.30am. Craft activities, games, information stalls, face painting and more. Colouring competition winners will be announced. For more information call Lyn at UnitingCareCommunity on 4153 8400.

Thursday 10 September
Child2Child Promoting Protection – 11.30am – 2.15pm
A schools event for grade 4-6 students at YMCA’s Ymazing Indoor Play Centre. Fun challenges and scavenger hunt to find this year’s CPW messages and materials. Sausage sizzle lunch provided. For more information and to register contact: melinda.everett@ymca.org.au

Wednesday 9 September
Developing a Child Friendly City workshop
YMCA Bundaberg, Quinn Street Bundaberg
The Child and Youth Protection Partnership invite you to participate in an opportunity to explore the process of creating a City’s Children’s Report using the model developed in Bendigo VIC with David Pugh, CEO of AnglicareNT, who was a part of the Bendigo Child Friendly City Leadership Group.

Saturday 6 September
Family Fun Day – FREE
Alexander Park Quay Street starting at 11am – 3pm. Jumping castle, sausage sizzle, play dough and craft activities. A great way to spend Father’s Day. For more information www.foundcarekids.org.au

Friday 4 September
Charity Golf Day – Supporting Phoenix House and Crime Stoppers Bundaberg Bundaberg Golf Club, 1 Mile Road, North Bundaberg. 4 Player Ambrose – 2 start times, 7am Early Birds – shotgun start. $35 per person (includes free burger). BBQ lunch available, lots of prizes, raffles, Hole in One prize, Golf carts for hire. To book please contact the Golf Pro Shop 4151 6706.