**STARS OF THE WEEK**

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Principal’s Award: Junior Green where 100% of students have a rating of A, B behaviour. Exemplary!

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Term 4 week 6**

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_Every Tuesday,_  
_Free Breakfast_

_Tuesdays_  
After School Sport P-3 postponed next week

_Wednesdays_  
After School Sport 4-7  
3:15pm – 4:15pm  
As usual next week

11/11/14  
Remembrance Day

11/11/14  
Yr 6/7 Pass Program

12/11/14  
Surf Safety Program

14/11/14  
P-2 / 3 Swimming  
Surfing Elective

12/11/14  
Prep Orientation Day 9am

17/11/14  
Year 1 Personal Safety Program

13/11/14  
G20 Brisbane

18/11/14  
International Men’s Day

19/11/14  
Prep Orientation 9:00am

Students enjoying Chappy Day Out at Tallebudgera Beach / Creek and facilitated by CYC.

Year 5 girls enjoying a friendship program.

Chappy Lisa worked with Year 6 boys in the A2B Program. Focusing on diversity; acceptance; trust; responsibility; teamwork; forgiveness and encouragement.

**Value of the Week – HONESTY & TRUSTWORTHINESS**

Being honest is being open, trustworthy and truthful. When people are honest they can be relied on not to cheat, lie, steal. Trustworthiness is being worthy of trust. People can count on you to keep your word, to do the right thing and follow through on your commitments.

**School Wide Positive Behaviour Learning: This week’s focus is Be RESPECTFUL: USE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE and MANNER to ADULTS.** When a teacher or a parent asks something, reply using manners words instead of “What” or a “grunt”. Listen to adults when they are talking and respond respectfully watching what you say and how you say it.

**Social & Emotional Learning Topic: RESILIENCE**

When things are not the way we want them to be, we need to deal with the problem then move on.
Dear Parents and Carers,

Learning & Assessment: As students complete their end of term assessment, it is time to celebrate learning success but also a time to focus on error corrections. When a students doesn’t know or understand concepts, or when they haven’t yet reached the required standard, it is important that they work hard to close the gap on what they need to know to move capably to the next year level in 2015. The last weeks of term will focus on extending student capabilities. Please contact your child’s teacher for specific areas of support that you can help them with at home; ensure that your child knows their number facts with immediate recall and that they read every night. Effort = Success.

Positive Behaviour: Recently Student Behaviour Reports went home where students reflected on their behaviour against the school rules of Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Learner. The class teacher also rated students on the criteria and conferenced with your child on a goal for improvement and gave your child an overall rating. Overall school breakdown of data is as follows: 49% of students have exemplary behaviour as A rated students; 23% have good behaviour most of the time at a B rating; and 22% at a C Behaviour rating. When students demonstrate responsible behaviour they make classrooms a learning place, and the playground a safe, respectful, happy place and are to be congratulated. We thank parents for their support in instilling good behaviours and strong values.

Beach Safety: Today, Surf Life Saving Volunteers provided Prep - Yr 5 students with valuable information about being safe at the beach. Please ask your child what they learnt. Their safety, and the safety of family and friends, may depend on it this summer.

Sun Safety: A reminder that only wide brimmed hats are to be worn at school. Hats need to be in the royal blue school colours and be clearly marked with the student’s name. There is a no hat, no play rule and detention consequences for students who choose not to bring their hat to sport lessons.

Date Claimers: End of year is a bust time so mark off on your calendars: School Concert & Art Show Wednesday 3 December. A Book Fair and viewing of student art work will be open after school with the concert starting at 5:30pm

Academic Awards Assembly: Yr 3 – 7 Wednesday, 10 December 9:00am, a proud celebration of learning. The school band and choir will also present.

Great Results Guarantee 2015: In 2015 the Queensland Government is investing $183 million in Great Results Guarantee funding for state schools. Here at Coolangatta our estimated 2015 allocation is $92000 to continue the great work we started this year to improve our student’s performance. [www.education.qld.gov.au/resultsguarantee](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/resultsguarantee)

Discipline Audit: Yesterday, Mr Hendriks visited our school. We look forward to the Executive Summary with Commedations, Affirmations and Recommendations and the accompanying school profile which will be made available to the school community when received. At CSS we have much to celebrate. We also will continue to work on improving our practices for Positive Behaviour Learning.

With warm regards and best wishes for a great week,
Sharyn Mahony

P&C News
School banking is on Fridays please leave books and the canteen.

If you can volunteer for painting please leave your name and contact details at the tuckshop.

Christmas Concert Raffle
$1.00 per ticket, drawn 3 12/14. P&C are asking if each family could please contribute an item for our hamper. Please place it in your class Christmas Box. Thank you for all your support. Tickets will be sent home this Friday.

Chalain’s Chat: Chappy Lisa A2B
Over the last couple of months 10 boys from Year 6 and myself have been participating in the A2B Program. The program focuses on the core values (diversity; acceptance; trust; responsibility; teamwork; forgiveness and encouragement) which make social interaction successful. These values and experiences are taught through activities which engage the students and are enjoyable. Last week was our final session which culminated the program in a celebratory lunch. We thank the Local Chaplaincy Committee for funding the purchase of this program and our lunch.

Chappy Day Out
On October 30th I had the privilege of accompanying 5 students across Yr 5-7 at Chappy Day Out. The day was held at Tallebudgera beach/creek and facilitated by CYC (Christian Youth Camps) Burleigh. The day which had no spiritual content just allowed students and their Chappy from various GC State Schools to have a fun day participating in body boarding, tubing and stand up paddle boarding. The day was fully funded (including all food and activities) by CYC Burleigh. We also thank New Beginnings Christian Church and Pastor Brenda Stuttle for providing those of us from Coolie with transport in their church bus.

Environmental Club News: National Recycling Week
At CSS we do our best to recycle by placing the correct items in the correct bins. We have a bin for scraps, a bin for paper and a bin for other. We need to make sure that we use these bins correctly. The waste from our scraps goes to our worm farm and then we use the waste from the worm farm to fertilize our vegie garden. Everyone needs to REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE.

Middle School Transition-PBC
Students enrolling for 2015 are invited to attend a Transition Day to be held at the school on MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2014. The day commences at 8.45 with an assembly in our school hall. Parents are most welcome at this component of our program. The remainder of the day will be spent in activities designed to introduce students to the Middle School Precinct, the Optima Code and to undertake core lessons in Maths, Science, English and Studies of Society. Students should be in their normal primary school uniform and bring with them their school bag with paper and pens. They may choose to bring their own lunch for the day or funds to purchase lunch from our Middle School canteen. The Transition school day will finish at 3.05 pm. To register your students’ attendance, please RSVP by Monday 1st December to Lyn Bortolin. Email lbort@eq.edu.au or phone 5525 9340. Should there be any other inquiry please do not hesitate to contact Di Stamp Head of Department Middle School.

International Men’s Day next Tuesday 18th November.
AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

Senior Green : Mrs Ireland
In Week 5 the value of the week is doing and being our best. Students come to school to learn, it is imperative that your child comes to school ready to give their best every day. Please encourage your son or daughter to give their best each day to maximise every learning opportunity available. The countdown has begun for graduation, payments are now due, please can you organise payment at your earliest opportunity. Invitations will be sent out next week and we very much look forward to sending your son or daughter off with a very special evening. Please remember to bring any rainbow related decorations by week 8 if you would like to contribute to the event.

Senior Purple : Mr Vogel
Senior Purple is getting into, their English Thesis project – “That a good literary text delivers a message better than a good informative text” (or vice-versa). They have picked a storybook and are currently researching websites with a similar message (about sustainability, saving the wilderness etc.) The completed thesis should be finished on Friday.

Middle Gold : Ms Cronin
Middle Gold continues to study Materials - Uses and Properties investigating metals, fabrics and building up their vocabulary of characteristics and properties. We have begun our assessment task investigating materials important to Indigenous people around the world, particularly Australian and the use of ochre. We have also completed reading “Rowan of Rin” with everyone enjoying this exciting and eventful quest novel. Students are continuing with their final blog and everyone has contributed, created an interesting discussion board on our class Edstudio. This week has also been a huge week of History as students complete the assessment task relating to the Eora people of the Sydney area and how their life was before contact and after contact with the first Europeans. This has certainly been a busy and intensive week for all students. Congratulations to all students, as they have gathered many GOTCHAS this past week for Learning.

Middle Blue: Ms Scales
Last week Middle Blue had an exciting week of continuing our quest in the novel Rowan of Rin! Students have been blogging their own opinions of the chapters online as well as responding to each other ideas and insights! In maths Middle Blue explored the concept of money and how budgeting works. Great Mathematicians unfortunately decided Miss Scales cannot afford a Christmas this year. Thanks for a great week Middle Blue!

Middle Purple : Mr Stringer and Mrs Cecil
Students in middle purple have started their assessment for English. They need to write a comparison of the book and the film “Red Dog”. They have been learning to use complex sentences to talk about similarities and differences. We started a piece of art where we looked at the Koru spiral plant and used shading and pattern techniques to create interesting spiral artworks. Parents are welcome to pop in and check them out any time! I (Mrs Cecil) returned to work last week after being on maternity leave for a year and I would like to commend the students of middle purple for their outstanding behaviour. It is great to return to such a well behaved, settled class.

Junior Blue: Mrs Calder
This week Junior Blue students are learning about money and getting the right amount of change. It would benefit students if they are able to practise this skill at home. Students are enjoying attending swimming lessons each Friday.

Junior Green: Ms O’Callaghan
This week as part of our Geography unit students will be developing knowledge about people's local connections to people and places. They will have the opportunity to explain their own connections to their home place and the people there.

Junior Purple: Mrs Waldon and Mrs Winder,
Last week students worked on their geography projects, where they had to identify natural managed and constructed features of a community place. We chose Coolangatta Beach and used a photograph to view and discuss this place. Students also had to outline ways we can care about this place and why we need to care. Students have also been enthusiastically singing their songs in readiness for our end of year concert. A short note will go out this week with a few details about our performance.

Junior Orange: Ms Schmida
Congratulations to all the student ‘horses’ that ran our school Melbourne Cup. The students enjoyed the integrated thematic study of the national event combining technology/design (horse puppets and colours), mathematics (horse numbers, months, dates, ordinal numbers in the race – 1st, 2nd, 3rd) history (an annual event that is commemorated second Tuesday of November), and Geography (city of Melbourne in the state of Victoria on the map/globe). Thank you to Mr Vogel – our race caller, Miss Deb and the playgroup families, and the rest of the school who came out to cheer us on as we raced around the track!

HPE News: Mr Stringer
This week during PE we began our 3 wk golfing program on the school’s oval. Construction of a golf swing and developing enjoyment for the game is our mission. Gala training continues each Fri and is going extremely well. Thank you to the coaches for all their hard work!

Library News: Mrs Marshall, Teacher Librarian
If your child requires a phone at school please ensure they hand it into the office at the beginning of the day in accordance with our school policy. This ensures their phone is safe and that it is used appropriately. The internet, mobile phones and instant messaging provide wonderful opportunities for children to learn, be creative and socialise online. They also provide opportunities for inappropriate behaviour, bullying and harassment to occur causing pain and suffering to the targets of such behaviour. Please help us by reminded your child to hand their phone to the office.

Book fair is coming soon.

Outstanding Monies Owing
All outstanding fees are now due! Surfing, Swimming, Resource Scheme, Life Education. These all need to be paid now!

Money for Year 6 & 7 Graduation due on Thursday 27/11/14 for numbers to be finalised. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Reminder
If you have recently changed your address or phone number recently please give new details to the school office in case of emergency.