### Term 2 week 3

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Term 1:**  
Every Tuesday,  
Breakfast 8:00 – 9:00

- **Swimming Year 4 / 5**  
  Mondays for 7 wks  
  LAST $40 DUE  
  THURSDAY 21/2/13

  8/2/13  
  Surf Ed Years 6/7  
  Fridays 8 weeks @ $5  
  /wk  
  LAST $20 SURF ED MONEY TO BE PAID  
  THURSDAY! 21/2/13

- **Regional Swimming Carnival**

- **1/3/13**  
  School Clean Up Day

- **11/3/13**  
  P&C AGM Meeting  
  9:00am

- **6/3/13**  
  T.A.G  
  You’re it Years 6/7

- **12/3/13**  
  SCHOOL PHOTOS

- **15/3/13**  
  Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence

- **19/3/13**  
  Year 7 Cluster Debate

### STARS OF THE WEEK

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### PRINCIPAL’S AWARD

Mr Failes & Mrs Ireland & students – restructuring SG & SP classes

### Value of the Week: RESPECT

Respect is valuing ourselves and others. It is an attitude of caring about people and treating them as you would like to be treated yourself. We show respect by speaking and acting with courtesy and good manners. It is keeping the rules and being considerate of others. It is the right of everyone to be treated with respect and dignity. With this right for ourselves, we have the responsibility of giving it to all others – including animals and the environment.

### Our information Expo was a great success last Wednesday afternoon with lots of parents attending.
Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Parent Information Session: It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers attending class information sessions last week. Being in the know about what happens in your child’s classroom and the learning goals that students in their year level are expected to achieve, enables you to form a strong partnership with the classroom teacher as we work together to help them be the best learner they can be. Your Child – Our Student.

Early Parent / Teacher Interviews: Parents / Carers are invited to contact the teacher for a parent teacher meeting at any time you are concerned about your child’s progress. Teachers will likewise contact parents when student academic standards and / or behaviour indicate that a child needs extra support to achieve his / her learning goals. We want our students to succeed.

Early Intervention: At CSS we believe in early intervention. We have a great team of support staff to assist the classroom teacher manage the diverse range of learner within each classroom. Our aim is for each student to move to higher levels of attainment from where they are at, to reach at least a C standard and for many students to move above just average and go for the A! Our Head of Curriculum, Literacy Coach, Learning Support teachers and Special Needs teachers and our para professional teacher aides all work within classrooms to improve student learning outcomes. Visiting teachers and professionals such as the English as a Second Language teacher and Speech Language Pathologist visit regularly and when required occupational therapists, hearing and vision impaired teachers and other specialist staff are called on to work with students and teachers to meet student special needs.

School Expo: Last week’s School and Community Service expo was a fantastic success. Thank you Chappy Lisa for your organisation and leadership.

Student Leaders 2013 will be inducted into their positions of office at assembly tomorrow. Mr Ken Lee, from Ken Lee Legals will present badges of office. Mr Lee each year generously provides a perpetual trophy and a major award to a Year 7 student who displays a high level of leadership and service within their school and community. This year we congratulate:

School Captains: Amadeus Bellenger & Essi Kassarat
Vice Captains: Will Mitrakis & Drew Younger

Sports Captains:
Cook: Paris Campbell & Ruby Adkins
Flinders: Kaitlin Atherton & Donald Browne
Oxley: Majella Trudgeon & Kane Ramage
Vice Captains:
Cook: Madeson Dalgleish & Tyler Booth.
Flinders: Ariana Royal & Thomas Alexander
Oxley: Anjelique Lynch & Liam Mc Cauley

Awards:
Art: Hailey Foster-Forsyth & Senna Smith
Enviro: Stephanie Grice & Rekayah Dever
Student Council Class reps:
Middle Blue: Aree Beeley & Venice Visona
Middle Purple: Taiti Avasmae & Zyah Timpano - Hair
Senior Blue: Bethany Mc Kinnon, Te-Arana Gillies Temaari
Senior Green / Senior Purple: Emily Rutter, Ese Osadolor, Anthea Young & Che Moore.

Contact details: Parents it is essential in case of emergency we can contact you. Please keep updated your phone contacts and email addresses. We have the capacity to do bulk SMS parent alerts but too many mobile numbers are incorrect. We can also communicate through bulk email when necessary.

Warm regards and best wishes for a great week,
Sharyn Mahony

P&C News:

Tuckshop Is Back
20/2/13 – Jodie L, Jaya J, Cassie K
21/2/13 – Lina & Maureen
22/2/13 – Michelle, Debbie, Amy
29/2/13- Jaya, Jodie & Cassie
1/3-13-Maureen, Amy & Debbie
2/3/13- Michelle, Jorgina, Amy & Debbie

School Banking: Is every Friday please drop bank books to the tuckshop. Hot Cross Bun Drive: Fundraiser see flyers in this week’s newsletter.

P&C AGM Meeting: will be on 11 March 2013, please come & support your kids & school. Election of Office Bearers for 2013

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, School Banking Coordinator, Canteen Coordinator & Major Event Organiser.

School Photos: Class photos will be taken on 12/3/13. If you want a family photo of all siblings, parents please note that these group photos are to be arranged directly with the Photo Company. Family photos will be done before school. An information pack with photo, pricing and payment options will be distributed on arrival.

Chaplain’s Chat - Chappy Lisa
THANK YOU – To everyone who supported the School and Community Services Expo last week. I hope that you found it useful as a source of information regarding what our school and community have to offer. If you missed out, remember there are plenty of brochures just inside the Enrichment Centre for many of the organisations which attended the Expo.

CONGRATULATIONS –To the following winners of our Cadbury Favourites Lucky Draw at the Expo: Appo, Brooks, Livingstone and Wilmshurst families.

SAND SAFARI - Surfers Paradise Beach will be transformed into a golden gallery of the curious and the beautiful during The Australian Sand Sculpting Championships. Entry is FREE and is being held till Sunday 24th February. See Surfers Paradise as never before, as lions, elephants, zebra & hippos take shape along the iconic foreshore.

Library/ICT News: Mrs Marshall
Mem Fox’s Ten Read Aloud Commandments
1. Spend at least ten wildly happy minutes every single day reading aloud.
2. Read at least three stories a day: it may be the same story three times. Children need to hear a thousand stories before they can begin to learn to read.
3. Read aloud with animation. Listen to your own voice and don’t be dull, or flat, or boring. Hang loose and be loud, have fun and laugh a lot.
4. Read with joy and enjoyment: real enjoyment for yourself and great joy for the listeners.
5. Read the stories that the kids love, over and over and over again, and always read in the same ‘tune’ for each book: i.e. with the same intonations on each page, each time.
6. Let children hear lots of language by talking to them constantly about the pictures, or anything else connected to the book; or sing any old song that you can remember; or say nursery rhymes in a bouncy way; or be noisy together doing clapping games.
7. Look for rhyme, rhythm or repetition in books for young children, and make sure the books are really short.
8. Play games with the things that you and the child can see on the page, such as letting kids finish rhymes, and finding the letters that start the child’s name and yours, remembering that it’s never work, it’s always a fabulous game.
9. Never ever teach reading, or get tense around books.
10. Please read aloud every day, mums and dads, because you just love being with your child, not because it’s the right thing to do.
**AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

**Senior Green & Senior Purple : Mrs Ireland & Mr Failes**
This past week has seen challenges, successes and change. We are happy to stand as collaborative classroom and the students have spent the last few days working through what a collaborative classroom sounds/looks and feels like. We have had some wonderful learning experiences occur already and the students have worked with a repertoire of year 6 and year 7 students across different learning areas. All Year 6 /7 students participated in their first Surf Education lesson at the beach last Friday. Students were engaged in beach and land based activities and were taught important signals. Every student thoroughly enjoyed this experience and participated with enthusiasm.

**Senior Blue**
Welcome to another exciting year. Thank you to all the parents that have called in to introduce themselves or attended the recent Parent Teacher Information Afternoon. We have a short term with much to do and achieve. Since the commencement of Senior Blue last Tuesday, we have begun a variety of activities, across the curriculum. In English, we are studying the genre of persuasive writing. Our Science unit examines the structural features and adaptations that assist living things to survive in their environment while in History students explore the development of British colonies in Australia. If you have any concerns about your child or would just like to meet with me and have a chat, please do not hesitate to make an appointment.

**Middle Purple: Mrs Cecil & Mr Stringer**
Thank you to all the parents/caregivers who attended last week’s information session about this term’s class curriculum and procedures. We have sent home an information sheet for those families who were unable to attend so if you haven’t received one as yet please see us for a copy. We did mention homework will be online this year doing Literacy Planet set tasks and Mathletics. Mon is start day each week for homework and Fri tasks are to be completed. If you do not have internet at home there is Homework Club on each morning 8:15 – 8:45am. There are also free internet stations at all local libraries. Thursday is PE day so please ensure we have sports running shoes on these days. Swimming is still compulsory for all students as a requirement across QLD for your child’s age. Please ensure payments are made (Tues or Thurs) each week prior to Monday’s swimming lesson. Our class’s Value of the week for the last week was ‘Doing and Being Our Best!’

**Middle Blue: Mrs McEwan**
Middle Blue are embracing the 21st Century by using the class edstudio to access their homework. Well done to all of those students who accessed it over the weekend. All students are able to access homework in this way either with internet access at home or by checking in at the Catch Up Club each morning at 8:15 am in the Enrichment Centre. Students are also able to access the class edstudio during 1st break at the Computer Lab. Students will also be able to practise current learning being taught in the classroom by engaging with the different learning activities that will be posted on the edstudio. Please remember to keep up to date for Year 4 Swimming payments—many students are falling behind with payment.

**Junior Blue: Mrs Calder**
Our big study in grammar at the moment is using capital letters for Chinese New Year. We have dragons and lanterns hanging around our classroom. We have been studying Modal Verbs to improve our persuasive writing, classifying words as Low, Medium and High Modality. Thank you to the Parents who attended the Parent Teacher Afternoon. Miss Cronin is away for the next week, but is happy to meet those parents unable to attend in Week 5. Mrs Clarke is taking the class.

**Junior Green: Ms Benfer**
Next week students will be completing their English spoken presentation to the class. The presentation will be about a character and his or her emotions. Students will also make a connection between the story and a personal experience. You can help prepare your child for their presentation by encouraging them to look at the audience when speaking, use a loud voice that everyone can hear, stand tall and still and speak at a good pace—not too fast.

**Junior Purple Mrs Winder & Mrs Waldon**
Thank you to all parents who attended our information afternoon last week. It was great to see so many parents and we appreciated your time and effort in attending. The children have been listening and responding to the indigenous story called ‘My Mob Going to the Beach’. The children been have been learning to respond both in oral format and written format using a simple sentence. We have also been discussing the concept of verbs within the story.

**Junior Orange: Ms. Schmida**
Thank you to all those who were able to attend the parent information afternoon! As promised, Homework Folders went home yesterday (MONDAYs). Please read all the helpful hints enclosed. For homework, please read the home reader with your child and write a comment in the manilla folder, practise their sightwords on the bingo card, and help them complete their letter/sound booklet using the Phonics Soundwaves (also in the manilla folder) rhymes and icons and a guide. Folders are to be returned to school on FRIDAYS. Remember, it should be easy and fun and is to consolidate their learning from the week in class. Thank you for your co-operation. Together we will ensure your child’s success at school.

**Junior Red: Mr Vogel**
Junior Red has welcomed five new members to the class. (We lost six of our Year 3s and now number 13 Year 2s and 11 Year 3s). This week we have been studying persuasive writing techniques and looking at points of view in newspaper articles and ‘alternative’ fairy tales. In Maths we are sequencing and adding larger numbers and had fun playing the Place Value Game. Science has seen the students out and about the gardens recording animal tracks, scats and signs, and determining the characteristics of living things.

**HPE News: Mr Stringer**
Congratulations to all those students who are attending this week’s District Swimming Carnival at Somerset College. We know you will do yourselves and our school proud regardless of results. For anyone interested we have Soccer Club on Tuesday afternoons with Justin from 3–4pm QLD time. Also for AFL lovers we have training/lessons starting on Thursday 28th across the road at Kirra Sports Oval.

**More from Mrs Marshall: Bookclub**
Bookclub has been ordered and should arrive back early next week. $117 commission was raised for our school through your purchases. Thank you for your support as every little bit counts.

The small computer lab is open most mornings for students to complete homework. Please encourage your child to attend if you are unable to access a computer at home and require one for homework.

Writer’s club starts next week, all students interested in attending should see Mrs Marshall. Keep up the great reading at home!!!