Term 3 week 4

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term 3:
Every Tuesday,
Breakfast 8:00 – 9:00

31/7/13
After school sport 4-7

1/8/13
After school sports P-3

2/8/13
P&C fundraiser – Movie
Night
Footsteps

6/8/13
Yr 4-7 Electives

Money for Year
6/7/ camp to be
finalised by
Thursday 15/8/13
Week 6

Next payment for
Footsteps now due
to be paid in full.

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on your smart phone or
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Value of the Week: SELF DISCIPLINE
Self-Discipline is having self-control. You know what is right and you keep the rules. You know your goals and you stick at them. You don’t lose control of yourself when you feel hurt or angry, but decide what you are going to say and do that will make things better not worse. When you have self-discipline you control your own behaviour.

STARS OF THE WEEK

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Environmental Captains- Junior Blue for a well organised classroom

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD: Middle Purple – Poetry writing task, our school.

Last week was a busy week at Coolie! Athletics Day as well as a visit from some Japanese Students aged between 7&9 years of age from all over Japan visiting our schools and sharing their different cultures.
Dear Parents & Carers,

Athletics Carnival: A great day of competition, sportsmanship and house spirit where the NED principles were clearly on show: Never give up. Encourage others, Do your best. Sports Captains & Vice Captains are to be congratulated. Each student who crossed the finish line strived for their personal best and each participant in team events worked together to contribute to team success. A big thank you to Mr Stringer for all his hard work and organisation over 2 big days of field and track events, ball games and tabloids; Mr Chris White, for ground preparation and setting up and working around several postponed days; to all staff members for their role in making it all come together; to the many parents who were able to be present to cheer on students and teams; the parents and staff who participated in the much looked forward to relay event of the day – the parent, teachers v sports captains relay! We wish all students who now move to the next level of competition at C school’s carnival, another day of personal bests.

Japanese Visitors: This Thursday another small group of Japanese students on study tour in Australia will visit us from 1:00 – 2:30. As these students are 12 – 14 year olds, our senior students will host them in their classroom and over lunch break, practicing Japanese language and developing cultural understandings. Thank you Junior Gold & Red for hosting last week’s visitors who were very grateful for the opportunity to visit an Australian School.

School Development Team: I thank staff reps, Business Service Manager Sandra Moana and P&C President Debbie Atherton who was the sole parent rep for their input at this consultative meeting where issues and concerns and ideas for school improvement from students, staff and parents are tabled and discussed for decision making.

Active Parent Participation: Coolangatta State School needs more parents to step up and commit to taking an active role in supporting their child’s school. One or a few people can’t do it all – tuckshop, uniforms, movie nights & discos for students, fund raising to provide items for students, being parent rep on school committees and teams. It is acknowledged that many parents have work commitments or younger children and that some parents assist at after hours events, however we desperately need more families, mums, dads, grandparents as many hands make light work! It may just be one morning a month from 8:30 – 12:00 for tuckshop; help one night a term for movie night or disco; attend a meeting once a month; help in your child’s classroom. I encourage you to get involved.

Parent Class representative: Each class requires a parent representative to provide a link between the teacher and class families. Can that parent be you? Please see your class teacher as this role can be a vital communication link.

Parent Opinion Surveys: The survey is still open this week for completion. Thank you to the 40 recipients who have done the survey online or returned a sealed envelope. If you do not wish to respond, please return the envelope unsealed. Thank you.

School Uniform: The School Development Team decided that all students who attend excursions / events and represent the school in any way must be in full school uniform with the blue collared polo shirt and preferably black sports shoes. (If black shoes are unavailable white sports shoes only are accepted.) We are proud of our school, and when students step out in public or on stage at Eisteddfod, they all need to be consistent and stand out as CSS students. This means that each student should have at least one blue collared proper school shirt for special occasions e.g. for school photo day, awards day and special events. Coloured sports shoes for school use are to be phased out.

With Speechmakers & Science Fair coming up, I know students are busy preparing for these events. Thank you parents for your ongoing support. Warm regards and best wishes for a great week,

Sharyn Mahony

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PRINCIPAL’S PATCH

P&C News

Tuckshop: Is now only open on Thursday & Fridays only 8:30am – 12pm due to insufficient volunteers.

School banking: each Friday. Please leave bank-books at the tuckshop.

Twilight Spring Carnival: In the last week of term, a mini fete is being planned on Wed 18th Sept after school. Each class will have a stall or activity along with P&C and community stalls. Save the date for this fun fundraising venture.

Movie Night: 2nd August 2013 doors open 4:00pm movie starts @4:30pm pick – up 6:30pm sharp. Featured movie to be advised. Tickets $2 on sale outside school hall Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.

Prep Enrolments 2014

We are now taking names for students starting Prep in 2014. If your child turns 5 between 1/7/08 to 30/6/09 your child is eligible to enrol. Please leave child’s name and details at the school office.

Kindy Enrolments also being taken at Coolangatta C&K Kindy for student who turn 4 by 30 June 2014. Contact Director Alison Gorton Phone: 55362130

Chappy Chat – Chappy Lisa

Kids typically face many Hardships, Frustrations and Difficulties as they go through different stages of development. Pets pass away. Friends move town. Families move home and kids change schools. Children miss being picked for a team. Teens are left off party invitation lists. How stressful these events are for children will depend on many factors including their own spirit, the support they get from home and their coping skills. Between now and the end of the year my newsletter items will be taken from the series “Thriving” by Michael Grose. This series outlines 12 broad coping strategies you can develop in your children to help them deal with normal developmental Harships, Frustrations and Difficulties (HFD’s). These HFD’s include: loss, disappointment, change, rejection, failure and conflict. If you want to get a head start, you can subscribe to the Happy Kids newsletter. (parentingideas.com.au)

Dental Van News

We apologise for any inconvenience. The Mobile Dental Van clinic is undergoing repairs and is temporarily closed for this week 29/7/13 to 2/8/13. We have tried to contact all parents to notify of changes to appointments. If you have further queries please contact the call centre on 1300 300 850.

ROLL CALL!!!

MIAMI HIGH SCHOOL "CLASS OF 73" (1969-1973) ARE HAVING A 40TH RUNION ON SAT 24TH AUGUST, 2013 AT THE SOUTHPORT YACHT CLUB FROM 6-8PM FOR A PRIVATE FUNCTION……THEN THE PARTY BEGINS! MUST REGISTER - FOR DETAILS CONTACT Lisa Hage on lisa@zt.com.au or 0402836093

CONGRATULATIONS!! It’s a girl! Mrs Benfer has had a beautiful baby girl called Mikha born 9/7/13. 8lb 2oz mother & baby both well!
Senior Purple & Senior Green: Mrs Ireland & Mr Failes

Last week we held our sports carnivals, it was a fun two days for all students and staff. Congratulations to Che and Maru from our class who won the 11 years age champion, Ese and Will who won the 12 years age champion and Kane and Imegen who took out the 13 years champion. Good luck to all students representing our school at the districts level this week.

Senior Blue: Mr Lang

We have an interesting mix of topics and subjects to be studied this week in Senior Blue. We will be examining poetry in English, focussing on odes and anthems, for the fallen and ode dedicated to the brave men who fought in World War I and is traditionally played on Anzac Day. In Science we will continue to look at space technology, and how NASA inventions have impacted on our own day to day lives. We are looking at ‘Our Environment’ in SOSE. This week we will study the Ningaloo Reef system in Western Australia and the impacts man are having on its ecosystem.

Middle Purple: Mr Stringer & Mrs Cecil

Homework this week is preparation for the upcoming Speechmakers Festival. The year 4’s topic is ‘I remember the day when…’ and speak for 2-2 ½ mins. Year 5’s topic is ‘What would you do if…’ and they speak for 3-4 mins. Excursion notes have been handed out for the trip to the Literacy Planet Office and the Aboriginal Art Museum. Please return these forms ASAP. Thank you to all the helpful parents who have given support to MP lately. If you have any time spare between Tues and Fri please feel free to see MP teachers to organise a time to help in Reading Groups. We understand many parents/caregivers are busy with jobs etc and can’t assist.

Middle Blue: Mrs McEwan

Middle Blue are learning all about Characterisation in English this week. We are also completing our Comic Strips in the Computer Lab and looking forward to creating a storyboard to assist in writing our assessment piece for English which is to write a traditional story with a clear lesson. Please ensure your child is completing their homework and remember that the Catch Up Club is open every morning before school in the Enrichment Centre to assist with homework and other tasks such as writing their speech for Speechmakers. A letter went home yesterday with more details about Speechmakers. Please ask your child to read this if you have not received it yet. Electronic copy on edstudio if your child has not received it yet. Electronic copy on edstudio if your child has not received it yet.

Junior Gold: Ms. Cronin

Junior Gold has had a huge week. A fabulous day with the Athletics Carnival. Well done to all students who participated and showed great sportsmanship and effort. We were also lucky enough to have visitors from Japan. 5 children, their parents, and a tour guide from Japan visited our classroom last Wednesday. The children were from many different areas of Japan. They introduced themselves and we asked them a variety of questions. As our current novel, “Kumiko and the Dragon” is set in Japan, there were many great questions about homes and culture. We looked after them at 2nd break and they demonstrated some origami with us after lunch. It was a wonderful experience. Junior Gold will be preforming this week on assembly and parents and family are all welcome!

Junior Red: Mr Vogel

Junior Red has been studying ‘The Lorax’ by Dr Seuss. We have been discussing the author’s purpose and the language features, such as alliteration and rhyme. In Maths the class worked fantastically completing addition facts and all class member’s contributed to our box of subtraction / addition triangles. Well done to the class on excellent sportsmanship on Sports Day.

Junior Green: Miss Alycia O’Callaghan

In English, students will consolidate their understanding of the way authors use language and images to create characters. We will also be building on our knowledge of comprehenson strategies. Remember to keep reading at home every night! Students will be focusing on measuring the capacity of different containers and will use comparative language to compare which hold more/less. Fill up some different sized containers at home and find a way to measure which container holds more!

Junior Purple: Mrs Winder & Mrs Waldon

In History lessons over the coming weeks, there will be some focus questions including, “Was my parent’s or carer’s childhood in the past like mine in the present?”, and “how have roles in families changed over time?” As part of this learning, students have some questions to pose to a parent or carer this week in their homework. Students are also developing communication skills such as listening, understanding and comprehending.

Junior Orange: Ms. Schmida

We are creating our rhymes and preparing for assessment. The preps have engaged with nursery rhymes, songs, rhyming stories, jingles and have a wonderful grasp on the concept. We are innovating the text, Brown Bear What Do You See by Bill Martin Jnr and creating a rhyming chant with puppets to present to our peers. Oh and what a great week to be making cloud mobies. Weather watch is continuing.

HPE: Mr Stringer

Congratulations to all students who participated in last week’s carnivals. We had a fantastic turnout and many special moments through the course of the two-day event. Congratulations to all students who received a ribbon and made it to Districts today. We wish all the District team all the best and hope they enjoy the experience. The next Interschool Gala Sports Day will be in wk 10 on Tues 10th Sept at Firth Park, Mudgeeraba. The four sports for this carnival will be Oztag, Cricket, T-Ball and Netball. Training will take place each Friday from 2-3pm to prepare for this event.

- 13yrs age champions – Kane and Imegen
- 12yrs age champions – Ese/Will and Ruby
- 11yrs age champions – Maru and Che
- 10yrs age champions – Cameron and Zyah

Junior Blue: Mrs Calder

Our room is alive with cats!! We have completed our artwork. Some of us needed a lot of practice using the space given but we are very proud of our results. We have written poems using more advanced verbs to accompany our art.

Japanese News: Sensai

Minasan konnichiwa. Just a reminder about J-Club happening Mondays at second break in the Specialist classroom. It was lovely to see those of you the other week, who helped brighten up and decorate the classroom with our wonderful ‘Tanabata’ origami stars and lanterns. I hope to see you again and possibly some new faces from next week when 'Manga Mania Month' begins. Everything about drawing manga will be covered. Come along and learn some new techniques with the step-by-step guide to help…and Sensei of course!