



Crows Nest State School

NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message

BER Update and Thank You

You will have noticed that work has commenced on our new Resource Centre and the extension to the Multi-Purpose Building. The excavation and movement of soil has now finished and this week the concreters will be laying the foundations and footings for both buildings. They will also start on the tilt slabs to be used for our Multi-Purpose Building.

I would like to offer my sincerest thank you to Justin Simpson and his helpers who moved the large storage shed from next to the Multi-Purpose Building. This was done on the first Saturday of the holidays and means that we keep this shed rather than losing it.



Resource excavation commences

We have been advised that the slab for the Resource Centre will be poured on Thursday morning 22 October. All students have been asked to stay away from the road leading to the Administration Block on this morning. If you drive your child to school please drop them at a gate that is away from the road and remind them to keep away from the building site.

School Strategic Plan

Following our Triennial School Review conducted in Terms 2 and 3 our School Strategic Plan has been published and verified in a meeting with our Executive Director, Schools last week. This document provides our school with a focus for the next three years. The areas that we will be focusing and developing through this time are:

- Continue to review and develop Curriculum across our school with an emphasis on
 - Implementing an Information and Communication philosophy across the school
 - Establishing and implementing a Middle Schooling philosophy
 - Review Key Learning Areas and develop school programs as identified
 - Ongoing development of school Literacy and Numeracy Programs
- Develop Relationships in the areas of
 - Staff/Staff
 - Staff/Parent
 - Staff/Student
- Review the current School Behaviour Plan and update as appropriate
- Establish and promote Community Engagement within the school and the wider community

Once again my thanks to our committees of staff and community members who assisted in collecting and collating the information and for developing their group's recommendations.

BBQ Breakfast

To celebrate Family Week a Breakfast in Centenary Park will be held this Thursday 22 October from 6:00am. A \$2.00 donation to our P&C will be made for a traditional Bacon and Egg



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Breakfast. ABC Local Radio's David Iliffe will also be broadcasting his morning program from the park from 5:00am.

Come along and enjoy the morning with a cooked breakfast to start the day. The P&C is also looking for more helpers to man the BBQ's. If you can assist please contact Helen Stevens, or leave your name at the school office.

Day for Daniel promotes personal safety

Friday October 30 is Day for Daniel, a national day for promoting child safety awareness, and our school will be conducting a couple of events as well as hosting a Dance for Daniel

Day for Daniel is organised by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation, established in 2005 by Denise and Bruce Morcombe following the disappearance of their son Daniel in December 2003.

Day for Daniel is not a memorial day but a day of learning for children.

Parents, carers and other community members are invited to participate in our activity, which aims to provide life skills for students in a fun and informative manner without the fear factor.

For more information on Day for Daniel visit www.dayfordaniel.com.au

Pre-apprenticeship Pathway Program targets school leavers

School leavers looking for an apprenticeship are encouraged to register for the new Pre-apprenticeship Pathway Program starting next year.

The government-funded program offers students trade-related training to prepare them for future employment as an apprentice.

School-leavers wanting to become apprentices will gain skills in working in an environmentally friendly way as well as employability skills to get them job ready and increase their employment prospects.

To register your child's interest in the program visit www.apprenticeshipsinfo.qld.gov.au or call 1800 210 210.

Thought for the Week

When everyone agrees, there is little thinking.

Regards,

Scott Edmunds
Principal

Integrated Unit Plans

Primary and Specialist Integrated Unit Plans will be available for viewing on the website towards the end of the week. They are also on display in the foyer area of administration.



Congratulations to Michelle

Michelle has been involved in a School Based Training Program in the field of Baristing. (Coffee Making)

Last term saw a celebrity judge visit Crows Nest State School. Mr Tully from Total Coffee was impressed with Michelle's Baristing Skills. His comments were "Correct Temperature, Well Extracted and Good Pour Technique". Mr Tully also commented "That the coffee was better than some coffee shops in Toowoomba and as good as coffees that I have had in Sydney!"
Well Done Michelle!

P&C News

Remember there is a Meeting tonight at 7.30pm and the Bike ride is creeping up on us so fill out the volunteer forms so we can organize our roster for the weekend of the 7th & 8th November. If anyone is available with a dirt bike the bike ride committee will have a float in Crows Nest Day events this Saturday 26th October. Meet at the Catholic Church at 11.45am.

Agenda items for tonight's meeting.

- Paid Convener
- Responsible Behavior Plan



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Justin Simpson (President)

Tuckshop News

A huge congratulations to Jessica Asher Year 1 for winning a \$100 Rebel Sport voucher and \$2000 for the tuckshop by entering "The Healthy Bones Week" competition. Well Done Jessica.
Karran Simpson (Convenor)

Bookclub

Issue 7 of Bookclub is due back tomorrow Wednesday 21 October. Please make cheques payable to Crows Nest State School P&C.

DAD'S DAY

CROW'S NEST STATE SCHOOL
FRIDAY, 23RD OCTOBER

What?: Drug Awareness Day

Where?: Crows Nest State School

Who?: This activity aims to include all students in Yrs 8, 9 & 10

Program:

- Drugs and the Law – Snr Const Leigh James & visitor from Teen Challenge
- Healthy Relationships – Maree from Domestic Violence Service & Sgt Neil Gilloway, Crows Nest Police
- Me Mates and Moderation – Alfie Orcher, Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs Service
- Art Alive – Joy Heylen

Cost: \$5.00 for a hot dog & juice lunch. Lunch orders to be at the office by Thursday, 22nd October



Student Council News - Day for Daniel

Across our school we will be participating in a variety of activities to raise awareness of child safety and to send the message to our community that child safety is important. The Student Council has elected to hold a school dance in the afternoon and evening of 30th October. Prep to Yr 3 students will have their dance in school time while the Yr 4 to Yr 6 dance will run from 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm and Yr 7 to 10 from 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm. Parents are needed to help with supervision and canteen please. Parents please contact Mrs Littleton to register your help to supervise. Our dances cannot go ahead if we do not have parent help to supervise.

Tuckshop
21 October 2009
Group 4

WORKERS

Lyn Ripps
Jenny Smith
Julie Proud
Wendy Borgstahl
Jillian Neilson

SUPPLIERS

Patty Cakes: Linda Christensen
Slice: Jenny Smith



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