Student Leadership

Our final group of the 2016 student leadership team was confirmed last week. The nominations for the Project Club Executive closed at the end of week 2. Voting was held last Monday after assembly and the following students have been elected as the 2016 Project Club Executive:

Chairperson: Chloe Hornery
Vice Chairperson: Mikayla Hennisgen
Treasurer: Sarah Duce
Vice Treasurer: Elle Ashen
Secretary: Caitlin Cook
Vice Secretary: Trinity Walsh

Curriculum Corner with PA

Preppies investigate their surroundings.

As scientists we have been using our five senses to observe our environment. We are beginning to understand that observing is an important part of science and that as scientists we need to discuss and record our observations.

When we found a bug we used our magnifying glasses to observe and count their legs and wings. We were careful not to touch them so that we were safe.

Back in class we recorded our observations. That’s what good scientists do.

We recorded our observations by making a detailed painting checking that we used the correct colours.

Lastly we constructed a sentence to use in class discussions on what animals need to live.

P&C Meeting

P & C AGM
Wednesday 25th February 2016 6pm
Resource Room Chinchilla State School
ALL WELCOME to come along

UNIFORM SHOP

Please be aware that the Uniform Shop is open on:
Tuesday between 8:30 and 9:00 am.
Wednesday between 2:30 and 3:00 pm

INSERTS

- High Five Awards
- Football Flyer

[Advertisement images]
From the Principal’s Desk

Unfortunately from time to time schools and school staff are sometimes confronted by parents, carers or visitors who act in a quite agitated, angry or even violent and threatening manner towards staff, other visitors, or even other people’s children. As we move forward together in partnership towards securing a highly successful 2016 school year, I would like to remind all our families, community members and school visitors that our school is founded on Respect, Responsibility, Learning, Safety and Belonging. As such, all our staff are expected to explicitly model these behaviours to students and to one another at all times while in employment at this school. I remind all our visitors also, that upon enrolment in our school, parents and carers sign an agreement stating that they will also act in such a way when visiting our school, that they model these valuable life skills to our students.

From time to time the level of passion and enthusiasm we have as parents, wanting the best for our children, can be exemplified in an unexpected or unwarranted manner. I would like to take this opportunity to remind all our families, that as the School Principal and the sole accountable officer for over 580 students and 60 staff I am charged with the mandatory responsibility to ensure the safety and well-being of all school stakeholders at all times. Under the Education General Provisions Act Principals have the delegation to enforce good behaviour orders, and more seriously, prohibition from school premises. Obviously these measures are very rare, and are only enforced under very serious circumstances.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all our families for proactively supporting our staff, students and school through their respectful dealings with our staff and school at all times. The main purpose of our organisation is to help educate and prepare children, many from the age of 4, to become well rounded active and well educated young adults as they move through their schooling years. As such, we need your help to ensure we are successful in our endeavours. Thank you very much for your ongoing support of all our staff and students.

Chappy Corner

Hi, my name is Annette Cousins and I am the new chaplain at this beautiful school. It is a privilege and honour to be working as a chaplain at Chinchilla State School and walk alongside my school community supporting both students and teachers. I would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome to the school.

Over the last few weeks I have had the privilege of helping in classes with educational support. It is great to be learning things about this school as I start my new adventure here.

If you see me around the school don’t forget to come and say hi. It is always lovely to meet new people.

From Annette Cousins

P&C News

What a fantastic day put on by the Queensland Museum and QGC on Saturday holding the World Science Festival here in Chinchilla. There were so many happy, excited faces. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all ages. I would like to thank all who contributed to the P&C catering stall, the helping hands on the day and those who donated the delightful homemade baking, lots of compliments. It is a pleasure working alongside such a committed group of people.

Containers can be collected from the school tuckshop Wednesday or Friday.

DON’T FORGET
THE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE “Chores”
IS NEXT WEEK.

If you have not already paid and you would like your child to attend, $8.00 must be paid by THIS Friday 19th of February. Students in Prep must pay $12.50 out of their school fees to be able to attend this performance.
PBL Update

In primary school classrooms it is important that children believe that they are meaningful contributors to their classroom/school family. Whether it’s in the classroom or the workplace, individuals need the skills to communicate, work in teams and let go of issues that might get in the way of working and learning.

To assist students to become a meaningful contributor in their classroom, class jobs have been allocated to students and are displayed in classrooms.

Being a meaningful contributor builds self-worth and value within the individual. An internal feeling of self-worth extends outwards as kindness, sharing and co-operation.

What can parents do to support the self-worth and value of their child? Ask your child what job they have in their classroom and how this helps to make their classroom operate.

This week the students will participate in an activity to heighten the awareness of the need to keep our school environment clean. They will be exploring our Responsibility Values: Using the toilet facilities correctly.

Chinchilla State School’s P&G Association supports the PBL program in the school and has two representatives on the PBL Committee, Mrs Tanya Kidd & Mrs Leanne Evans.

School Procedures and Routines

For new parents and as a reminder to all parents, there are a number of procedures and routines to help our school run smoothly. Listed below are some school routines:-

Access to Administration and Staff:

Visitors to the school are very welcome. To ensure staff and administration personnel are available for discussion, it is necessary to make an appointment. Should you wish to speak to members of the Administration team, please first call at the front counter. Appointments should be made to speak to the Principal to ensure that he is available and that your discussions will not be interrupted.

Before School:

Children must use marked crossings on the way to school and obey the crossing supervisors.

Verandas, ramps, stairs and classrooms are out of bounds. Students must sit under “C” Block adjacent to the Administration building. They must remain seated in this area until the bell is rung at 8:20am. Students are then able to move around the school until the bell rings at either 8:45am on Monday or 8:55am on other days. HOWEVER, THE BACK OVAL, ALL FORTS, AREA BEHIND AND BEHIND THE LIBRARY ARE OUT OF BOUNDS. No balls are able to be kicked during this time and the use of all forts in the school is not permitted.

Bell Times/School Hours:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>8:45am</td>
<td>First Bell (Monday)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8:55am</td>
<td>First Bell (Tuesday-Friday)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:00am</td>
<td>School Starts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3:00pm</td>
<td>End of School Day</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The school operates two break systems during the school day.

Prep - Year 2:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9:00 - 11:00am</td>
<td>First Learning Session</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 - 11:45am</td>
<td>First Break (Eating)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 - 11:45am</td>
<td>First Break (Play)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:45 - 1:30pm</td>
<td>Second Learning Session</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:30 - 1:45pm</td>
<td>Second Break (Eating)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:45 - 2:00pm</td>
<td>Second Break (Play)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:00 - 3:00pm</td>
<td>Third Learning Session</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Years 3 to 6:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9:00 - 11:00am</td>
<td>First Learning Session</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:45 - 11:00am</td>
<td>First Break (Eating)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:45 - 11:00am</td>
<td>First Break (Play)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:00 - 1:00pm</td>
<td>Second Learning Session</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:00 - 1:15pm</td>
<td>Second Break (Eating)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:15 - 1:30pm</td>
<td>Second Break (Play)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:45 - 3:00pm</td>
<td>Third Learning Session</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Above and below are our Value Champions from Mondays Assembly
**Sports with Mr Clarke**

This last week was a good week for sport in our upper school. We had our District Swimming Carnival on Monday the 8th Feb. 10 students from our district made it to the Regional Trials which will be held on Friday 19th February in Miles. The following 5 students from Chinchilla State School will be attending the Regional carnival, Alice Iverson, Zahra Svoboda, Adam Francis, Harley Scutchings and Aiden Cox.

Also held on Monday were the District Basketball trials over at the St Joseph’s Hall. Again our School had a strong representation with 15 of our students being selected to represent our District in Roma on Monday 22nd February. For the Girls Basketball team we have Caitlyn Harrison, Kobi Jakins, Victoria McAlough, Faith Hurley, Trinity Walsh, Seraphina Dicman, Ashlee Sturges and Shania Tompkins. In the Boys team we have Cameron Rollings, Ajay Ayagard, Max Hart, Keegan Luckraft, Patrick Delbie, Zayne Stahl and Kaiden Scoogie.

Well done. What a great effort and good luck to all students.

Yours in sport
Matthew Clarke

---

**ABC Reading Eggs**

Would you like your child to access an interactive, fun online program to support them with their reading skills?

All students at Chinchilla State School have access to ABC Reading Eggs thanks to our P&C Association. All students have a username and password that allow them to access the program from where they left it the last time they were online. This provides continual challenges to improve their reading skills. Please see your student’s class teacher if you don’t know how to access ABC Reading Eggs.

---

**Tuckshop Roster**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Wed 17 2.16</th>
<th>Fri 19 2.16</th>
<th>Wed 24 2.16</th>
<th>Fri 26 2.16</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Kyra Holmes</td>
<td>Jenny McNally</td>
<td>Amanda Maguire</td>
<td>Tiffany Abbey</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chenoa Sorene</td>
<td>Morgan Freibance</td>
<td>Jopi Wischnat</td>
<td>Annelle Girdler</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nebraska Lindsay</td>
<td>Morgan Freibance</td>
<td>Morgan Freibance</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Please collect any plates/containers from presentation day from the tuckshop.

Please note: Panda Biscuits still out of stock.

---

**Chinchilla Town Library**

**Wanna Make Some New Friends?**

Chinchilla Junior Bookclub wants YOU!

Our regular meetings are a great way to meet kids with interests just like yours. This is no dry old meeting full of serious talk and boring stuff.

We’ll enjoy great books (you can help us choose); there’s great activities; and get the scoop on the latest and greatest junior reads - all in a safe and friendly environment.

Junior Bookclub aims to encourage children, especially reluctant readers, to expand their reading horizons and to support social interaction.

We meet at Chinchilla Library on the third Wednesday of every month at 3.30pm. See you there!

---

**Story Time at Chinchilla Library**

You can also join us for stories, songs and craft for toddlers and their carers.

Fridays 10.15 am

It’s never too early to introduce your child to books. If you would like more information visit: www.library.wdrc.qld.gov.au

---

**Student Banking**

Just a Reminder Student Banking is every Wednesday.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IMPORTANT DATES: Feb 2016</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Year 2 Sleepover Payment duo</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Regional Swimming Carnival—Miles</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P &amp; C AGM &amp; General Meeting 6pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yr 1-2 Swimming Exhibition</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**Support Your School’s P&C Be a Volunteer A Great Way to Meet New Friends**