Curriculum Corner with 6A

Our class teacher is Miss Healy, a bubbly, caring, beautiful teacher. Miss Healy always respects our opinions and thoughts, she treats us age appropriately. Miss Healy's personality is bubbly, funny and enthusiastic.

So far in history we have been learning about Henry Parkes and how he made Australia one federation. We also have been looking at the timeline of the events that occurred. In English, we have listened to short stories and the structure of them. Then we will be writing our own.

On the first day back from school we learned about all of Miss Healy's expectations and rules. Everyone was excited to see who was in our class.

In our literacy rotations Mr Magner was there for our reading group. I'm sure that everyone was forgetting the words when we had to read in front of him. “Trust me, I was”.

6A is a team, full of great minds and amazing friends that are always there for you no matter what. Being in year ‘6’ is going to be amazing. We have one mission this year, make it to high school!

Good luck to everyone and make sure you make this last year in primary school the best it can be.

From 6Awesome.
From the Principal's Desk

It has come to that time of year where we are well underway with the implementation of our school-based plans, including whole school curriculum planning, individual curriculum planning, behaviour support planning and other systemic planning processes. As the school principal I submit many of these plans to our department not only for approval but to demonstrate how our school is utilising state and federal funding to improve student learning outcomes at this school.

This year Chinchilla State School received $206,000 worth of Investing for Success funding from our government. These funds coincide with our Annual Implementation Plan and School Budget which will be forwarded to our department in the coming days.

In 2016 we are focussed quite specifically on Reading, Spelling, Attendance and the Zero to Eight Years age group, with transitioning to school, school readiness and support. Our Investing for Success funding will go towards the implementation of our four Curriculum Support Officers, our zero to eight initiatives, such as Koalas, Koala Cubs, and our other early years initiatives, AUSLAN training, Indigenous Education and leadership development. If you would like to know more about these programs, or you would like to become more involved in our school through the implementation of these programs, please don’t hesitate to make an appointment to come and speak with me.

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:

Assemblies:
School assembly is held every Monday morning at 8:45am. Students in Prep to Year 2 attend the assembly held in the Undercover Area while the students in Years 3 to 6 meet in the Multi-Purpose Hall. Both assemblies are presented by either the Principal or Deputy Principal with the student school leaders. A whole school assembly will be held at the start of each term in the Multi-Purpose Hall and for special events throughout the year.

This is the time when notices and announcements are made and student achievements are publicly acknowledged. Parents are invited to attend.

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 allows 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.

The school’s P&C Association continues in their endeavour to support all students at Chinchilla State School. This year the major fundraiser for the P&C Association is the Trail Bike Ride on the 6th & 7th August.

If you would like to support the students at Chinchilla State School, keep an eye out in future Bell Street Bulletins on ways you can help. Alternatively, you can either contact the school or a P&C member.

P&C Meeting

P & C AGM

Wednesday 25th February 2016 6pm

Resource Room Chinchilla State School.

We encourage all new parents to the school to come along and become involved with the school P&C.
PBL Update

Responsibility - Keep your food to yourself and dispose of litter correctly.

Chinchilla State School is committed to providing a safe, supportive and respectful learning environment for students and staff, where students learn. Each day, students have opportunities to engage in quality learning experiences and acquire values supportive of their lifelong wellbeing.

In this week’s Value lesson students will explore the question “What is litter?” and will develop a sense of food safety awareness. Students will identify areas on the school grounds or nearby areas where litter is a problem and offer ways to solve the problem.

This week the students will participate in an activity to heighten their awareness of the need to keep our school environment clean.

During school breaks, students are required to sit to eat. Some of the reasons as to why schools expect this behaviour from students can be due to social etiquette, awareness and pleasure from food, and safety.

By sitting down and relaxing around your food, you are more likely to fully enjoy the meal. When you have a pleasurable eating experience, then you feel more satiated. Standing and walking around when eating is multi-tasking and increases the temptation for play-type behaviours to begin. In a school environment, this can lead to accidents.

Students are asked not to share any food at school. With food allergies on the increase, it is important students only eat the food that has been prepared for them for the day.

Within this environment students are expected to keep their eating area clean. All food scraps and food wrappings must be put into the provided bins. This lessens the chance of unwanted visitors such as birds, dogs and other creepy crawlies visiting our school.

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

Chappy Corner

Hi from the Chappy,
The weeks are going very fast, I have had the privilege to assist in the prep rooms with outdoor activities and finger gym. They are great activities to be a part of. I have also started to play some games in and around the hall with a few students at lunch time. If I’m not on the playground at lunch times I’ll be in the library playing inside games. All students are welcome to join in the activities.

This week I have enjoyed visits with some students who need to talk and I have also met with some mums just as a friendly ear. If anyone wants to talk about any issues that they may have please come and visit or just come to say hi.

From Chappy
Annette Cousins

Non School Items

To ensure personal items are not stolen, lost or broken, we do ask all students to leave their personal, non-school items at home. All mobile phones and electronic devices must be handed to the office upon arrival each morning and can be collected at 3pm.

To help ensure school staff are focusing on learning outcomes for our students, we do ask parents to help us in this matter.

Bulk Bill Forms

All Bulk Bill forms were Due back on the 3rd of February. If you still have one could it please be returned to the office ASAP so invoices can be sent out for your child.
Sports with Mr Clarke

The Year 1 and 2 Swimming Exhibition this Friday is going to be exciting and full of opportunities. During our swimming lessons, we have been practising our technique and learning how to become more confident in the water. During our Exhibition this year we are going to try and display all the skills we have been learning. We will have some freestyle races and we will have some kickboard races. Also, for the less confident swimmers there will be a range of activities happening in the shallow pool to keep them engaged, and having fun. All Year 1 and 2 parents are invited to come along and enjoy this event with your child.

Students are asked to bring their togs, a water bottle, some lunch and a good attitude. Students are also required to bring $2 which is to be given to their teacher prior to walking to the pool. Sunscreen will be provided, as each class should have its own, and it is expected that students are wearing swim shirts to ensure sun safety. There will be ribbons handed out for first, second and third just for the freestyle races, however the rest of the events on the day are about participation.

Students will be expected to meet at school as per normal. We will all gather at 9.00am to have the roll marked, and then all together we will walk to the pool. It is also expected that students will return to school at the end of the carnival. If parents wish to take their students home they need to see their child’s classroom teacher before leaving so they can be accounted for.

It will be a fantastic day, and I hope to see you all there.

Thanks very much
Matthew Clarke

Yr 1 and 2 Swimming Exhibition

Year 1 and 2 swimming exhibition is this Friday, 26th February.
Students come to school before they go to the pool to get the roll marked.
Students are required to bring $2 which is to be given to their teacher prior to walking to the pool. They will walk to the pool all together. All parents are welcome to attend to support their child.

Student Medication from 2015

We still have a number of student’s medication to be picked up from 2015.
If you believe your child has medication still at school from 2015 please pick it up from the school office.

Students can NOT pick up their medication.

Tuckshop Roster

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Please note: Panda Biscuits are still out of stock

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

Important Dates: Feb 2016

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