Curriculum Corner with 5C

Another year of NAPLAN is finished, (to the sighs of relief from many...parents included!). The class prepared very well for all of the tests and the feedback from nearly all of 5C is that they have done “really well”.

The class members have shown great interest in submitting entries of art into the Chinchilla Show and have been busily putting the final touches to their entries for the last two weeks. Our class display for the Show will be their 3D ‘Creatures’ that they created for assessment at the end of Term One. Again, finishing touches, reconstruction of collapsed ‘legs’, not to mention ‘lost’ heads have been the order of the day/week. I am sure that our display will showcase their creativity and hard work in this respect. Their cartoon faces depicting emotions, (which is the task for this term), will be finished in the next week and should be on display for you to admire in three weeks time.

The next two weeks will involve assessments in many curriculum areas. The class are working well towards all of the upcoming tasks. We, and I include myself here, have learnt so much in Science, in particular this term. We have researched the role of the International Space Station and NASA as part of the unit and have found out that there are so many things we use that have resulted, (are a spinoff as the students are learning), from space missions........the esky, infra-red ear thermometer, even a portable cordless vacuum!

History has involved looking at secondary settlements with a focus on Van Diemen’s Land, (Tasmania), and the Moreton Bay settlement. During the Year 5 Camp in Week 10, we will be visiting St Helena Island and other important historical sites which relate directly to the unit we are doing. The class are really excited about the trip. What a great way to consolidate what they are learning.

A great semester of learning and hard work!

UNIFORM SHOP

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

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- High Five Awards
- Student Details Update Form

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Class Attendance

Term 2, Week 5 overall class attendance:

- Prep: 93.55%
- Grade 1: 91.65%
- Grade 2: 87.71%
- Grade 3: 83.51%
- Grade 4: 89.53%
- Grade 5: 91.09%
- Grade 6: 92.05%
- Target: 55%

Congratulations to Prep B for the highest attendance percentage of 100% for Week 5.

Congratulations to all of our students who exhibit excellent attendance and a special thank you to our parents for their strong support.

Chess Club

- Where: Chinchilla Library
- Day: Monday afternoons
- Time: 3:30pm
- Who: All ages and experience levels
- Starts: Monday 16th May

PBL Update

“Utilize your eating time efficiently”

Chinchilla State School is committed to providing a safe, supportive and respectful learning environment for students and staff, where students learn. This applies to eating and playing times as well as classroom lessons. With the change in play and eating routine last week, students are now able to use their break times efficiently. Students can now play and eat meal at the beginning of the break, then focus on eating time, rather than rushing to finish food (or in some cases, slipping eating altogether) in order to go and play. Students now have structure to their eating time and can return to class settled and ready to learn following their eating time. We thank the school staff and community for their support and enthusiasm towards this change and are already encouraged by the results of this change in routine.

Pictured right: Prep Value Champions for week 6
School Procedures & 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:

Student Details:
Families are asked to ensure their student’s details are always kept up to date at the school. When emergencies arise, the school must be able to contact parents or emergency contacts nominated by the parent/s. Old phone numbers won’t allow us to do this. Please complete the attached slip in this week’s Bell St Bulletin to ensure the school records are current and return them to the office.

Also, if other details such as medical information, travel details to & from school, court orders, or information consent concerning your students changes, please make contact with the school office to update these details.

Sun Safety:
Chinchilla State School is a SunSmart School.

What does this mean? The Queensland Cancer Council does not accept caps as offering adequate protection from the sun. To be a Sun Smart School, the uniform policy has to be that children wear a hat with a brim or cap with a flap at the side and back. Only children wearing hats with a brim will be allowed to play in the sun.

Unfortunately, caps are the preferred choice of many children, particularly as they get older. CSS P&C and staff realised in making this decision that it may not be popular with some children and parents, but believed that education of children to wear sun safe hats was the responsible thing to do, with Queensland’s skin cancer rate being the highest in the world. The fact is that a hat with a brim offers much more protection from the damaging effects of the sun than do caps.

Parents are asked to understand why this decision has been made and to discuss the reason for the decision with their children and support the wearing of hats with a brim.

School bucket hats are available from the Tuckshop. Any hat with a brim is acceptable.

Reminder to be safe when travelling on or near buses

With another school term well underway, we’d like to remind all students and parents to please be safe when travelling on or near buses.

A significant number of school students in Queensland travel on buses to attend school. All students have the right to a safe and enjoyable journey, and their safety is our number one priority.

Ensuring students safe travel on or near buses is a shared responsibility which brings together the efforts of students, their parents/carers, schools, bus drivers and bus operators. When travelling on or near a bus, there are some safety tips you should follow to ensure a safe journey – http://translink.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/assets/resources/travel-information/school-travel/safety-tips-for-students.pdf.

A Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses is also available to provide students and parents/carers with information about how to travel safely on buses. To view the code and more information, visit http://translink.com.au/travel-with-us/school-travel/getting-to-and-from-school.

Get Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge

Did you know your child can get Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge, just for being a student at Chinchilla State School? All you need is your child’s school email address to sign in.

To help prepare your child for success this academic year, the Department of Education and Training has teamed up with Microsoft to provide free Office 2016 to every Queensland state school student. With Office 2016, your child will have access to the latest version of Word for writing, Excel for spreadsheets, PowerPoint for presentations, OneNote for organisation and note taking, and much more.

You can install a complete version of the latest Microsoft Office on up to five compatible PCs and Macs, five tablets and five smartphones. Your Office subscription lasts for as long as your child is a state school student.

Ask your child to follow these simple steps to get Office:
For PC and Mac, visit portal.office.com, login using your school email address, click through to install and follow the onscreen process.

For tablets and smartphones, download from your app store and sign in with your school email address.

P&C Mother’s Day Raffle

Congratulations to Mrs Sam Mizen who won the Mother’s Day Tupperware Picnic Hamper, that was kindly donated by the Otto family. Thank You to everyone who bought tickets to support our school P&C.

Classroom Profiling

Chinchilla State School is a classroom profiling school! What does this mean? Classroom Profiling enables teachers to reflect on the effective learning and teaching strategies they use to manage their classrooms. It provides important data for teachers in relation to effective learning and teaching.

As professionals, teachers are then able to make informed choices about what they could do in relation to ensuring they are doing the best they can for the students in their care. As life-long learners, this is an excellent opportunity offered to teachers at Chinchilla State School.

This week we have three Classroom Profilers at the school, Brett Loosemore, Joan Hamlyn and John Archibald. They will be visiting most classes across the school during the week to support our class teachers in this process.

Tuckshop Roster

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Please Remember to use one bag for each break. Tuckshop is also open on Monday.

SPORTS WITH MR CLARKE

Hello everyone. We are now in Week 6 of our 11 week term. It has been a very fast paced term with lots happening. We have had lots of students participating in a wide variety of extracurricular activities. During our lunch times, we have had some dedicated staff working with our house captains on ways to improve our team spirit in each of our houses. This week we have seen this in action by teaching our students how they can be a part of our next big carnival through ball games. During lunch times teachers and house captains have taken down some balls and hoops to run a ball games activity. There has been a number of students participating eager to learn how to do it better and be a part of our carnival in an exciting way.

Talking about carnivals, in our HPE classes we are preparing ourselves for the events we will see in our Athletics carnival. This term, we hope to cover each of the field events, (discus, shot put, long jump and high jump), also we will look at our running races and how we can improve our running.

Our Athletics Carnival is on Friday of Week 3 next term. So we have plenty of time to work towards this big event.

For District Sport we still have plenty happening. Last Friday we had the Girls Softball Trials. We had a good turn out and it looked like a lot of fun. We are lucky enough this year to have Mr Adams who has had some very valuable experience in Softball, and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to help us improve.

Also this week we have District Tennis Trials happening on Thursday right before we head off to our Show Holiday. The District Trials will be held at the Chinchilla Tennis Courts and it’s an all day event.

We also had our District Touch Football teams head out to Roma on Monday. I am eager to hear how they went. I was at the District Trial, and I felt like we sent a much stronger team this year. So I hope they had a good, safe time and saw some success.

Stay safe, and I’ll see you next week.

Matt

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