

## Dates to Remember

19 Feb Life Ed finishes 7 Mar  
27 Feb-2 Mar Year 6 Camp  
2 Mar Emmy and Friends Yr 1  
20 Mar School Photos  
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29 Mar End of Term 1  
29 Mar Easter Bonnet Pde  
17 April Start of Term 2  
17 April Prep enrolments for 2019  
25 April ANZAC DAY holiday

## Useful Contacts

**ABSENCES:** ☎ 4058 9260  
[absences@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au](mailto:absences@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au)

**OFFICE HOURS:** 8:15am - 3:30pm

**GENERIC EMAIL:**  
[principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au](mailto:principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au)

**NEWSLETTER EMAIL:**  
[newsletter@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au](mailto:newsletter@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au)

**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS:**  
Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 - 9am

**OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE:**  
☎ 4058 0252  
[oshckids@bigpond.net.au](mailto:oshckids@bigpond.net.au)

**FRESHWATER P&C OFFICE:**  
☎ 4055 2946  
[freshwaterpandc@bigpond.com](mailto:freshwaterpandc@bigpond.com)

**SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC:**  
☎ 1300 300 850

**SCHOOLWATCH:**  
☎ 13 17 88

## From the Principal's Notebook

### EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDING & ENHANCING COMMUNICATION

Every student succeeding is our highest priority for all staff at Freshwater State School. We strive to create a culture of engaging learning that improves wellbeing and achievement, values diversity and responds to student needs and interests. We are continually reviewing professional practice and our teachers plan with intent to improve on a daily basis.



In alignment with the Department of Education's *Parent & Community Engagement Framework*, Freshwater State School has created a new system to increase our communication to parents & carers. Our staff have collaboratively constructed a *Student Goal Setting & Data Snapshot* document. This will be communicated each term to enhance the learning process with families and their children.

At this stage of the year our teachers have only had a short amount of time to collect student learning data. The baseline data used on the *Student Goal Setting & Data Snapshot* document will be the information recorded on OneSchool from the end of last year. Teachers will use this baseline information to set goals from. The *Student Goal Setting & Data Snapshot* document will be sent home this week.

Please spend time to discuss this with your child to strengthen the importance of these learning goals.

If you wish to discuss this further, contact your class teacher or provide feedback to the [principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au](mailto:principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au)

Yours in learning,  
Dan Hollis, Principal

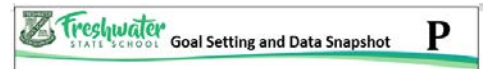
### YEAR 6 CAMP

This week our year 6 students will embark on a 4 day camp to Lake Tinaroo. The students will learn valuable team building skills, problem solving and develop resilience. We have moved the camp from Term 4 to Term 1. This will allow the positive relationships to flourish throughout the year. I will be heading to the Camp on Wednesday to see the students.

### P&C NEWS – AGM AND THE FETE

The Annual General Meeting of the P&C will be held on **12th March at 6:30pm** in the school library. All positions are declared vacant at the AGM. In the last year, the P&C has contributed around \$150,000 to the school for a range of activities and upgrades and we have more to give! If you have a little time, some passion for improvement and dedication to making our school a better place then there is sure to be a job for you. Nominations for positions can be taken on the night. At the last meeting, we were fortunate enough to have a few members step up to start the **2018 Fete** working group. A date has been set, and plans started. To get involved, come along to the P&C meetings, or get in touch with the P&C office.

Jack Emeleus  
President, Freshwater P&C



Area	Current Level	My goal	Action plan	Goal Progress	Comments
Attendance					
Behaviour					
Reading Level					
Sight words					
Letter					
Sounds					
Writing					
Number and Algebra					
Measurement and Geometry					
Statistics and Probability					

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

## FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE P&C “Goodbye Val, we'll miss you!”

It is with great sadness that we said goodbye to Val Solien from the OSHC service on Friday. Val has been employed by the P&C for over 8 years and has made the OSHC what it is today. Val is much loved by the kids and parents. She has the respect of her staff and has built a fantastic team.

For many parents who rely on the OSHC service, Val's ability to adapt to complex family arrangements and rosters has been the key to being able to maintain sanity and happy children.

Thank you Val for your compassion, professionalism and care, we will miss you.

*Jack Emeleus P&C President*

## OUR P&C PARTICIPATES IN COLES ‘SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS’ PROGRAM

On behalf of Freshwater State School our P&C will be participating in the Sports for Schools program being run by Coles. Every \$10 spent at Coles supermarket during the program will earn a Coles Sports for Schools voucher. The more vouchers our school collects, the more gear we could receive. Please take your vouchers to the **P&C Office** and post them in the box provided.



## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photo Day is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Order forms for each child will be provided through your child's classroom teacher. Sibling order forms are available at the School Office. **PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE ORDERING OPTIONS IF POSSIBLE.** Online ordering reduces paper waste and reduces the risk of forms being misplaced. Follow the prompts on the paperwork provided by NQ Photography and use the code they provide. If you are dropping a form into the office for collection please do so **before the photo day** (not on the day) and remember that the Office does not carry change.

## LOVE TO SING?

Choir has begun on Wednesdays in the Music Room with Mrs Paraha. Year 4 - 6 students are invited to attend. Expression of interest notes can be picked up from the office or from Mrs Paraha.



## STRINGS STUDENTS

Students in the Strings program for 2018 require the workbook “Sound Innovations for String Orchestra”. This can be purchased from any local music store in Cairns.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Huge congratulations to Ned Agnew and Connor Briffa for being selected in the Barron River District Rugby League team to compete at the Peninsula Regional Championships in Innisfail next month. Well done and good luck boys.

*Mrs Knight*

## BARRON RIVER HOCKEY TRIALS

For more information refer to the documents attached along with this Newsletter.

## JAPANESE NEWS

The language spoken in Japan is (of course!) Japanese. To write it we use a combination of Chinese **kanji** characters and two uniquely Japanese phonetic scripts called **hiragana** and **katakana**. Children at Freshwater learn how to use each of these alphabets. For example, they can write their names in **katakana**, number to 100 in **kanji** and will use most of the 46 characters in **hiragana** by the end of Year 6.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Hinamatsuri - Doll's Festival. On this day young girls put special dolls on display, have small tea parties and dress in their best clothes. It is a fun day for everyone.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mimi no Hi – Ear Day. This day is held to remind people of the importance of looking after their ears!

## PINK STUMPS DAY

Massive thanks to everyone who supported our annual Pink Stumps Day. The teachers and Sports Captains match was very entertaining and we raised over \$400 for the McGrath Foundation.

*Mrs Knight*



## FRESHIE CAFÉ NEWS

Hello everyone,  
Treat of the fortnight is CHOCOLATE BROWNIE \$1.00  
Thanks again to Michelle Prince for assisting in the Cafe.  
Have a great week and happy cafeing  
*The Cafe Team*

## CAIRNS HIGH YEAR 6 INTO 7 IN 2019

Cairns State High School 2019 enrolment information session will be held this afternoon for those interested families.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know? Our school has a Facebook page! Please like and follow "Freshwater State School" on Facebook and be kept up to date with the latest news from around our school!

## CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

Catholic Religious Instruction in State Schools in the Cairns Diocese follow the Christ Our Light and Life Program by the Archdiocese of Sydney. The program aims to develop each child's relationship with Jesus. They will learn how to become like Jesus in the home, school and world. Christian values and virtues underpin the program.

Students who attend Catholic Religious Instruction (RI) receive an activity book (the cost of which is paid for by the Cairns Diocese). Catholic Religious Instructors who deliver the classes are trained and accredited and use a variety of teaching methods and resources.

Students will develop values and attitudes, knowledge and skills of how Jesus wished all people to live their lives as well as strengthening family life under the content strands of

- God, The Holy Spirit
- Creation
- The Church
- The liturgy and liturgical year
- The moral life.

*Theresa Jankowski (Cairns Diocese) Northern Deanery  
Catholic State School Religious Instruction Coordinator*

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

WEEK 5				WEEK 6			
PJS	Liam G	4NSW	Bronte B	PGW	Tammee S	3SB	Anya K
PRD	Lily Mc	4SC	Samuel A	PJS	Ronnie M	4AH	Zahir K
PTE	Georiga C	4SM	Mason M	PRD	Mitchell V	4NSW	Alma K
1ADS	Elsie T	4SSW	Will S	PTE	Kobe K	4SC	Alice G
1KD	Georgia B	5AH	Joshua A	1ADS	Safiya A	4SM	4sm Class Award
1KDD	Emmie B	5BW	Kobe S	1EB	Amber R	4SSW	Meaghan D
2AY	Isabella F	5JH	Livinia E	1KD	Benjamin A	5AH	Oliver H
2KD	Sophia A	5LD	Adona J	1KDD	Oscar Mc	5BW	Kyah C
2KW	Thomas W	6JPM	Greg C	2AY	Xavier Mc	5JH	Sergio D
2TDW	Max G	6NLM	Ned A	2KD	Metta P	5LD	Leah E
2/3SW	Miah B	6NB	Georgia Mc	2KW	Kaya K	6JPM	James R
3AM	Taya M	6NT	Talena S	2TDW	Shiloh F	6NLM	Trinity S
3CG	Lola T	MUSIC	3SB Class Award	2/3SW	Shanae C	6NB	Sam W
3RO	Elina L	PE	2KW Class Award	3AM	Dom H	6NT	Tama P
3SB	Darcy A	LOTE	Mitchell F	3CG	Abdi C	MUSIC	3SB Class Award
4AH	Jax P			3RO	Hiroto A	LOTE	London T





**Positive Behaviour Focus**  
**P-Yr 2's Expectation: "Toilets"**  
**Yr 3-6's Expectation: "Be a helpful upstander"**  
*From the 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' team*

## General Notices

### TYC Drama Classes for 5yrs+

Looking for engaging, creative and educational after-school activities? Then come and tread the boards at The Young Company Theatre this term with classes in Acting, Musical Theatre, Film and TV, Impro, Creative Writing and much more! Your young performer will discover their electrifying creative abilities, super charged social confidence and magnetic idea generation skills as they are nurtured through our powerful youth theatre framework. For more information phone 40414066, email [admin@theyoungcompany.com.au](mailto:admin@theyoungcompany.com.au), visit our website [www.theyoungcompany.com.au](http://www.theyoungcompany.com.au), visit us at 169 Bunda St, Cairns City. Classes across the Cairns region.

### CAIRNS REDS BASEBALL

Teams in all jnr & snr age groups welcome. Beginners welcome.  
 Where: Walker Rd Sporting Precinct, Edmonton  
[www.cairnsreds.com](http://www.cairnsreds.com) [www.facebook.com/CairnsReds/](https://www.facebook.com/CairnsReds/)  
[cairnsredsbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:cairnsredsbaseball@gmail.com)

### REDLYNCH CYCLONES SOCCER REGISTRATIONS WELCOME

How: Register [www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au) or [www.redlynchsoccer.org.au](http://www.redlynchsoccer.org.au)  
 Where: Cyclones Football Club, next to Freshwater Christian College  
 Girls also welcome to register

### SAINTS SOCCER CLUB MUSTER DAY

When: Saturday March 3rd 9.30AM – 11AM  
 Where: Endeavour Park Cannon Street Manunda  
 Contact: [saintssoccercairns@gmail.com](mailto:saintssoccercairns@gmail.com)

### CAIRNS CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL 2018 – screenPLAY

Kids who love filmmaking and want to take their little careers to the next level can enter a film into screenPLAY and have their films shown on the BIGSCREEN at the 2018 Cairns Children's Festival on Sunday May 20

Let your imagination run wild! Is your story scary or funny, serious or true, is it about music or is it about somebody or something special in your life?

#### Rules:

Filmmakers must be 12yrs or under (films can be created by individuals or groups)

Music used within the film must abide by all copyright laws

Films must be no longer than 5 mins including titles and credits

Films can be submitted as either a downloadable Vimeo link (720p or 1080p) – or delivered as mov or mp4 files on a USB to the Cairns Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre

Films must be submitted with an application form

Please submit form either in person to the Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre or by email to [cairnschildrensfestival@cairns.qld.gov.au](mailto:cairnschildrensfestival@cairns.qld.gov.au).

### MARLIN COAST ATHLETICS CLUB COME & TRY DAY/ SIGN ON DAY

When: Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup> from 8:45

Where: Smithfield High School Oval, O'Brien Road.

Who: Age 5 and up. One Free trial for all newcomers!

Contact: Jenny 0410 601 436

### GIRLS RUGBY LEAGUE OPEN DAY

When: Saturday March 3rd from 10am – 2pm

Where: Jones Park Cairns

Contact: Jordan Morris 0402 892 834 or [jmorris@nrl.com.au](mailto:jmorris@nrl.com.au)

# BARRON RIVER 2018 10-12 Years School Sport

**Please see your school's sports coordinator for further information, including nomination paperwork.**

## RUGBY LEAGUE

\*\*\*2006/2007 only\*\*\*

Friday February 16 & 23  
 4:00-5:00pm  
 Redlynch Razorbacks JRL

## AFL

Wednesday February 21 & 28  
 3:30-4:30pm  
 Redlynch State College

## NETBALL

Wednesday February 21 & 28  
 3:30-4:30pm  
 Redlynch State College

## BASKETBALL

**+ HOCKEY**  
**BOYS AND GIRLS**

COMING SOON

### Our Barron River 10-12 Years School Sport Schools:

Cairns Hinterland Steiner School - Caravonica SS - Freshwater SS - Holy Cross School - Kuranda District College - Machans Beach SS - Peace Lutheran College - Redlynch State College - St Andrew's Catholic College - Smithfield SHS - Trinity Beach SS - Yorkey's Knob SS

Open to all students born in 2006, 2007 and 2008 except where specified. Students and Parents are reminded to check with their schools' sport coordinators to ensure correct school, district and paperwork procedures are followed. Remember:

**NO FORMS, NO SIGNATURE, NO PLAY**

Barron River 10-12 Years School Sport Secretary – [jpont8@eq.edu.au](mailto:jpont8@eq.edu.au)

08/02/18

