

## Dates to Remember

22 Nov	IM Information session
22 Nov	P-2 Swimming Day 1
24 Nov	P-2 Swimming Day 2
28 Nov	P-2 Swimming Day 3
28 Nov	Yr 6 Presentation Night
29 Nov	P-2 Swimming Day 4
30 Nov	Yr 6 RSC Sports Challenge
30 Nov	Carols Night
1 Dec	P-2 Swimming Fun Day
8 Dec	Last day of School Year
22 Jan 2018	First day of School Year

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

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

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☎ 4055 2946  
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☎ 1300 300 850

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☎ 13 17 88

## From the Principal's Notebook

The end of Term 4 is rapidly approaching. At Freshwater SS this does not mean that rich and rigorous teaching and learning slows or is ending. Our teachers are continuing to supercharge student's brains for learning. Staff use every opportunity to provide students with high impact learning experiences to the very end of term to ensure that all learners are consolidating their content and skills aligned to the Australian Curriculum.



Please remind children that remaining focussed, asking questions while being respectful and responsible is a high priority at Freshwater State School. Thank you for supporting our outstanding school.

## Year 5 Leadership Speeches for 2018:

I was thoroughly impressed with the Year 5 students who presented leadership speeches to the staff and students from Years 3-6 last Friday (see photo below left). From a relentless passion for the environment and community initiatives to poetic brilliance and outstanding expressions of narrative, our potential leaders for 2018 thrilled the 350 strong audience of staff and students. Once this was completed, staff and students were required to vote for 3 candidates. The next step will be interviews with the Principal and selection panel.

## Year 6 Science Transition Sessions: What's your Hypothesis?

I would like to thank our Deputy Principal Miss Jappe for her work in coordinating and planning the Year 6 Transition programme in partnership with Redlynch State College. In addition to the site visits, secondary Science teachers have delivered experiments to our four Year 6 classes (pictured below right). The emphasis was to build upon and align our focus and teaching of the scientific report genre. Our goal is to ensure that all Year 6 students have a deep understanding of the literacy behind Science report writing. We would like to thank Redlynch State College Science Department and teachers for their time and planning for this opportunity. The students thoroughly enjoyed this hands-on learning experiences.



## IMPORTANT NEWS

Report Cards to be emailed this Semester

### Mrs Budd's Rigours Vocabulary Instruction:

The highlight of my classroom 'walk-throughs' last week was Mrs. Budd's rigorous intentional teaching of vocabulary in 1EB. Students were attentive, focussed and applying their new vocab knowledge both verbally in partnered sharing and writing on their mini whiteboards. The development of a consistent schoolwide approach to the intentional teaching of vocabulary will be rolled out across all classrooms in 2018. Well done Mrs Budd and the very clever students in 1EB.



### 2018 Enrolment Intentions:

To assist our enrolment predictions for 2018 which determine our staffing capacity and funding, could I ask that if families are intending **NOT** to return in 2018 that they notify the school. This can be done by telephone or email to [principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au](mailto:principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au)

### Staff Carpark:

Can I please remind parents & carers that driving vehicles in the school grounds and collecting children from our staff car park places students in danger. Our students know this is a 'no go & out of bounds' area. By ignoring the staff only signage and encouraging children into this location is unsafe and breaking the school rules. Please use our Stop, Collect & Go locations on both sides of the school grounds. Thank you for supporting the safe arrival and departure of our students' every day.

Regards,  
Mr Hollis



### NO CANDY CANES AT SCHOOL

We request that parent/carers not send their child/ren to school with candy canes. Students have been observed sharing them with other students possibly becoming a dietary risk. Thank you for your cooperation.

### EMAILING REPORT CARDS

From this term all report cards will be sent electronically to parents. This change has been endorsed by your P&C as it benefits the school by reducing printing costs, improves efficiency and ensures that you receive reports without delay. If you haven't already done so please contact the school if you need to update your details on 4058 9222.

### PREP - YEAR 2 SWIMMING

Prep - Year 2 Swimming is Week 8 and 9 this term. Notes have gone home. Please mark these dates on your calendar.

#### SWIMMING DATES

Wednesday 22 November, Friday 24 November, Tuesday 28 November, Wednesday 29 November

The last session – Friday 1 December - is our fun carnival in our normal swimming time.

Year Level	Depart from School	Swim	Return to School
PTE, PJS	8:55AM	9:15-10:05AM	10:30AM approx
PRD, PGW	9:45AM	10:05-10:55AM	11:20AM approx
2KW, 2MD,	10:35AM	10:55-11:45AM	12:10PM approx
1CG, 2TDW, 2AY	12:15PM	12:35-1:25PM	1:50PM approx
1EB, 1KAD, 1AM,	1:05PM	1:25-2:15PM	2:40PM approx

### LOTE

November 15<sup>th</sup> – Shichigosan – 7, 5 3 Festival. Five year old boys and three and seven year old girls are dressed up in Kimono, often for the first time, go with their parents to the shrine to give thanks for their safe passage in life so far and pray for continued strong and healthy growth.



## CODING CLUB NEWS

The 3D model of Ace's hand was a success. We used photogrammetry, taking multiple photos of his hand at all angles, then stitched together with software to create a point cloud. If we had a 3D printer, we could have printed an exact replica of his hand. This is how medical replacements of body parts might be in the future. With only two Coding Club sessions left, we will try out programming mini-drones and using Virtual Reality headsets.  
*Jason, Rob & Mr Spanner.*

## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC 2018 – PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Parents of new and existing instrumental music students are welcome to attend an information night on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November in the conference room at the Library, starting at 6:00pm.

## YEAR 6 FULL DAY HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY

Parents and caregivers please be reminded that the Year 6 students are due to visit Redlynch State College next week as part of their transition to high school process.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November **6NB/6JD**  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November **6JP/6CO**

Students are to be in full school uniform (no sports shirts) and bring their own lunch and water for the day.

## YEAR 6 PRESENTATION NIGHT – Tuesday 28th November

Next Tuesday night we are holding our Year 6 Presentation Night. The evening is to be held at Crosswell Hall, Cairns State High School. We ask parents/carers to be seated by 6:45pm for a 7pm start.

## FRESHIE SHOP NEWS

- The NEW 2018 school uniform has **ARRIVED** and is available.
- Prep Stationery Packs NOW
- PROMOTION \$50 DEAL - 6 pieces of the ORIGINAL 2017 school uniform. NOT available through Flexischools.
- ALL Coloured sports hats \$5.00 all sizes, while stocks last.



We are NOW stocking **MUSIC ITEMS**. Come and restock your music needs. We have Silver & Lacquer Polish cloths, pull through cloths, reeds, rosin, valve oil & spray bottles.

### Extended Opening Hours for 2017

Every Tues & Thurs 8.30 – 9.00 am  
Every Wed from 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.30 – 3.30 pm  
Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> December 9am – 11am

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

WEEK 7				WEEK 8			
PGW	ARLO P	PJS	CHLOE M	PGW	ADAM S	PJS	PHOENIX C
PRD	TYE H	PTE	JONATHON O	PRD	LIAM W	PTE	ABBE P
1CG	SHILOH F	1EB	ICHIKA S	1CG	MISHA V	1EB	CHLOE S
1KAD	MEX R	1AM	ABBEY M	1KAD	RUBY HL	1AM	AI M
2TDW	JACOB C	2AY	CHELSEA F	2TDW	SOPHIE S	2AY	VIOLET R
2MD	KODY B	2KW	ZOE R	2MD	CHLOE C	2KW	FELIX J
2/3SW	EMILY M	3NT	ALMA K	2/3SW	NIKOLAS A	3AM	LAILA B
3RL	JAX P	3JR	BEAU V	3JR	HOLLY A	3RL	ALICE G
3AM	KANAE L	4SC	SHEKINAH S	3NT	MELODY K	4SC	ZOE I
4NS	ALICE E	4PG	ROSS B	4NS	AUSTIN M	4PG	JAIDA R
4NL	JOSHUA A	4/5SW	LAYLA B	4NL	ANGUS F	4/5SW	ZAVIER G
5LS	CHLOE B	5SM	ANABELLE A	5LS	NED A	5SM	ELLIE HW
5LD	ERINAYA KS	6JD	BOB E	5LD	TRINITY S	5LB	LARA P
6NB	SARAH N	6CO	RYAN M	6JD	EVA PM	6NB	STELLA C
MUSIC	JORDAN M 5LS	PE	MELANIE L 6CO	6CO	MILAN R	6JP	JONAS B
LOTE	JONAS B 6JP			MUSIC	2MD	PE	SUMMER D 3AM
				LOTE	KYRAN HW 6NB	2MD	CHARLIE C

Congratulations





## THANK YOU!!!

**Care Packages** – Thank you to everyone who donated items to be packaged up in **care packages** for our troops that are serving in the Middle East. Your generous donations have been graciously accepted by the RSL who are compiling the packages and they send you their heartfelt thanks.

**Wall of Remembrance** – Thank you also to everyone who sent in details of loved ones who have served over many years in different conflicts and ways in various countries. The **Wall of Remembrance** is so much bigger than we imagined and it is because so many got behind this project. The Wall of Remembrance is on display in the library and will remain up until the last week of school for you to view.

**War Time Treasure Hunt** – Thank you to our families who joined together to complete the War Time Treasure Hunt. Your participation is truly appreciated.

## #TeamFreshie step back in time with War Time Treasure Hunt

The Cairns RSL and Cairns Post recently ran their first War Time Treasure Hunt in the lead up to Remembrance Day. The competition was open to all schools and community groups in and around Cairns. Freshwater State School was fortunate enough to have five families come together to form a team called #teamfreshie.

Over five weeks a new site and clues to find the location were put together by the Cairns RSL and published in the Cairns Post. Our team members then had to read the article, work out the location, visit the location and upload an image to the competition site.

Our team have now learned more about Cairns' involvement during war time and have been rewarded with winning first prize of \$1,000. Great job team!

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November our team will be presented with their winning cheque at the RSL.

## BIKE SAFETY



*Bike safety message helpers; Abbey, Ella, Fergus and Abbe.*

I recently spoke to students on parade following a number of near miss incidents with students travelling to and from school on their bikes.

We certainly encourage students to ride to school, not only does this promote great health but it also assists with reducing the number of vehicles at collections times. What is important however, is that our students are obeying the road rules and riding safely to school.

I had some wonderful helpers assisting me in passing on the following important messages to our students not only riding to school but riding bikes generally;

**ALWAYS WEAR YOUR HELMET:** This goes without saying. Helmets must be worn whenever riding a bicycle on the road. Helmets must also be done up securely and must be in a serviceable condition. If helmets have cracks, damaged straps or other forms of damage, the integrity of the helmet is compromised and must be replaced immediately.

**KEEP LEFT:** Students must stick to the left hand side of the road and they must ride as straight as possible. Motorists have very little time to stop for students that unknowingly veer into the path of traffic. If students need to cross to the opposite side of the road they must walk their bikes and continue to walk their bike if they are required to stay on the right hand side of the road to get to school.



**GIVE WAY TO CARS:** Students were warned not to take on a car or other vehicles. Our school aged children have difficulty gauging speed and distance (especially on busy Kamerunga Rd). The ability for a car to come to a complete stop was highlighted along with the fact that they always come off second best if they are hit by a car. If in doubt, wait for a safer opportunity to cross the road, don't try and beat cars.

**OBEY THE ROAD RULES:** Students were made aware that the same road rules apply to a cyclist as they do for motorists. Cyclists are required to obey traffic signs and traffic lights, they must wear lights when riding at night and they must ensure that they give way to cars on a roundabout (There wasn't enough time to cover EVERY road rule). Please take a moment to discuss bicycle safety with your children and ensure that they are travelling the safest route possible to school. We acknowledge that there are difficulties with crossing Kamerunga Road, establishing a safe crossing point is a work in progress.

Senior Constable Heidi Marek  
Freshwater State School Adopt-a-Cop

## FRESHIE CAFÉ NEWS

Hello everyone,

As it is getting towards the end of the year some menu items will become unavailable due to depletion of stocks.

Smooze will no longer be available till next year.

Mango to Go is no longer available till next year.

Banana Scooby Doo will no longer be sold till next year.

**Treat of the fortnight due to popular demand : Cheese Sticks 3 for @ \$1.00**

Have a great week and happy cafeing

The Cafe Team

## General Notices

### TRINITY BAY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Orientation Day for Year 6 into Year 7  
When: Wednesday 6 December 2017  
From: 9am to 2.30pm

### REDLYNCH STATE COLLEGE

Orientation Day for Year 6 into Year 7  
When: Wednesday 6 December 2017

### CAIRNS STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Orientation Day for Year 6 into Year 7  
When: Wednesday 6 December 2017  
From: 8.45am

### BUNNINGS CHRISTMAS FAMILY NIGHT

Cost: Free  
When: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017  
Time: 6-8pm

### CAIRNS REDS BASEBALL

Contact: [caimsredsbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:caimsredsbaseball@gmail.com)  
[www.cairnsreds.com](http://www.cairnsreds.com)  
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CairnsReds/](https://www.facebook.com/CairnsReds/)  
Where: Walker Rd Sporting Precinct, Edmonton

### CAIRNS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

What: Monday Funday  
When: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017  
Time: 3-5pm  
Email: [aspire@cairnshockey.com.au](mailto:aspire@cairnshockey.com.au)

### TYCS SURREAL SUMMER HOLIDAY DRAMA PROGRAM (5YRS-12YRS).

Get set for a season of mind-blowing theatrics these school holidays with TYC's Surreal Summer Holiday Drama Program (5yrs - 12yrs). Participate in our 4-day programs and get set for a wild ride! Solve the mysteries of Sherwood Forest in Enchanted Escapades (4/12-7/12), discover the thrills of space exploration in Galaxy Defenders (12/12-15/12), laugh away the silly season with 'Twas the Night Before Xmas (18/12-21/12), gather your heroic forces in Super Squad Assemble (2/1-5/1), sharpen your wits for Faraway Fiasco (9/1-12/1) and hang ten with Surf Universe Wipeout (16/1-19/1). Don't forget to check out our awesome array of One-Day Drama Boot Camp programs as well. Special Guest Artists include Hayley Gillespie (costumes), Amelia Pegrum (Circus), Yasmin Lancini (Musical Theatre). So step into the spotlight with TYC's Surreal Summer Holiday Drama Programs these school holidays and grab your Early Bird Discount before Dec 5. Limited Availability. For more information or to book today visit our website [www.theyoungcompany.com.au](http://www.theyoungcompany.com.au), phone 40414066 or email [admin@theyoungcompany.com.au](mailto:admin@theyoungcompany.com.au).

### JAMIE GOSLING CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SOCCER CLINICS

When: Dec 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> and Dec 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 12pm  
When: Jan 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018 from 9am to 12pm  
Where: Cairns High School  
Cost: JGFA players \$80 for 3days or \$35 per day / Non JGFA players \$100 for 3days or \$40 per day  
Who: Children 5-16yrs of age  
Bring: Playing kit, water bottle & snacks. Learn skills, techniques, team games, comps etc  
Contact: [info@jgfa.com.au](mailto:info@jgfa.com.au) or call 0450 181 626  
Book on [www.jgfa.com.au](http://www.jgfa.com.au)



**Positive Behaviour Focus - Week 8:**  
**Expectation: Keep hands & feet to ourselves**  
From the 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' team

