



# FRESHWATER STATE SCHOOL

4<sup>th</sup> October 2017

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S NOTEBOOK

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

11-13 Oct	Yr 6 Mungalli Camp
16 Oct	Prep 2018 Info Session
16 Oct	Pupil Free Day
28 Oct	Working Bee
22 Nov	Instrumental Music Parent Information session
28 Nov	Presentation Night
8 Dec	Last day of School Year
22 Jan 2018	First day of School Year

Hello and welcome back to a busy Term 4. It is this time of the year that allows students to reinforce curriculum that they have been learning throughout the year in preparation for 2018. We have had a brilliant start to the term with fantastic attendance and students dressed in full school uniform while bringing the 'Be a Learner' attitude with them. I thank all families for supporting children with this great start.

### School Uniforms:

Having students wear their uniforms everyday builds a sense of pride, belonging and respect for our wonderful school. Recently I have had conversations with students about tagging/drawing on their uniforms or hats. If students do this they will be asked to change their uniform with a loan shirt and the family will be contacted to discuss cleaning or replacement options. Thank you for your support.

### Working Bee 28/10/17

Working Bees are a great opportunity to enhance the aesthetics or beautify our school grounds. To support our school rule of 'Be Respectful' and respecting our natural environment, we would greatly appreciate your involvement. If we could get just one parent/carer from each class, we would have a good turnout. Even if it's for 30 minutes, we would love to see you here 'gloves blazing'!



### Freshwater SS in a Spin of Excitement!

Students were in a spin as a 4.5million dollar helicopter from Nautalis Aviation circled our school and landed on our oval this morning at 8.30am. This was a part of a competition that two children Liam and Curtis had won. Both students were dropped off with their families. Mr Hollis had told the whole school that a life sized drone was landing on the oval, when it was announced at the whole school parade the previous day. Students had the opportunity to look at the helicopter and were very excited by the event.



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## 2017 ICAS ENGLISH COMPETITION RESULTS

This year 80 children from Years 3 – 6 participated in the ICAS English competition. The students were selected by their teachers to participate, with our school receiving excellent results. The test is challenging and requires the children to read texts across a range of genres that includes complex vocabulary and sentence structure. In summary, the school results were: 2 High Distinctions, 17 Distinctions and 32 credits. Congratulations to everyone who participated. Certificates will be presented at assembly on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**.

Year 3		
Distinction	Credit	
Poppy Boyce	Molly Ben Ezra	Toby Gubby
Angus Carpenter	Gisele Bilic	Riley Jaunzems
Zahir Khan	Kai Brown	Alma Karam
Billie Purcell	Josie Davidson	Josh Linfoot
Noah Clegg	Ashton Felton	
	Ethan Gilligan	

Year 4		
High Distinction	Distinction	Credit
Tobias Beaven	Cooper Campbell	Robert Bywaters
	George Collins	Chloe Jentz
	Sergio Debuque	Katie Masasso
	Sati Paing	Callum Rickson
	Sydney Richter	
	Kobe Sheardown	

Year 5		
Distinction	Credit	
Ben Beaman	Ned Agnew	Asha Mayberry
Evie Deboni	Lily Davidson	Violet Miles
Matthew Nicol	Luther Fischer	Trinity Swensen
Kelsey Smith	Jake Geiger-Handley	
	Isla Howell	
	Jai Jaunzems	

Year 6		
High Distinction	Distinction	Credit
Ben Collins	Hadley Smyth	Rachel Caldwell
	Sophia Bilic	Max Carpenter
		William Cleland
		Kiera Connell
		Kyran Harris-Wilms
		Melanie Lum
		Lindsey Nilsson
		Leon Rosendorf
		Sofia Siegrist

### BOOK FAIR –: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Our final Book Fair for 2017 began yesterday and will run from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October in the library. At the Book Fair, we sell quality books at reasonable prices and other stationery like erasers, pens, pencils etc. Prices are as little as \$1. Opening times will be before school every morning from 8:15am till 8:45am, at first lunch 11am to 11:30am and from 3pm to 3:30pm every day except Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. On that Friday, Book Fair will be open before school and at first lunch, but will not operate after school, as everything has to be packed away. Please be aware we can take cash and a credit card, but we have no debit facilities. Every day students who purchase books will go into the draw for a book voucher valued at \$10. All money raised goes towards buying books for our children. Hope you can make it!

*Mrs Fuller & Mrs Shepherd*

### PREP – YEAR 6 YOUTH TOURING PERFORMANCE – REEF UP!

There is an upcoming performance on **Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of October**, titled **REEF UP**. Be sure to check your student's bag as permission forms will go home with the eldest child in the family. If you don't receive a note there are spares available in the Office. **We appreciate all notes and payment provided BEFORE the due date and please note that the Office does NOT carry change.** We request that all notes and money be sent to school in a sealed bag and families require only one note and one payment, there is no need to separate for individual students. As the shows

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commence from 9am any forms received on the day of the performance are to be taken directly to the classroom teacher.

## WORKING BEE

Parents/caregivers are invited to attend a school working bee, which will be held on **Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> of October from 8am**. We have identified a few areas in need of painting, pressure-cleaning, as well as garden beds requiring pruning and mulching. It's a great way to offer support and get involved with your child's school community. We hope to see you there.

## ASTHMA

With this flu season upon us it's a timely reminder to talk about Asthma. If your student suffers from Asthma please ensure that they bring their own Asthma medication (puffer), including spacer, to school. Asthma medication can be left in the classroom however should their requirements be infrequent storage can be at the school Office. When your student is going on an excursion it is important to remind them that their Asthma medication goes with them. Teachers will carry a first aid bag on excursions and Asthma medication can easily be stored within. If you have any queries please contact the Office

## FRESHIE CAFÉ NEWS

Hello everyone,

We trust you all had a great break and back into the last term.

A reminder that dinosnacks are no longer on the menu and once stocks of medallions are finished they will not be replaced. Please use a separate bag for first break and second break.

**Treat of the fortnight: Cheese Sticks 3 for \$1.00**

Have a great week and happy cafeing,

The Cafe Team

## MUSIC SHIRTS

Please consider donating any unwanted or unused music shirts back to the school as these can be used as spare shirts for future performances.

## LOTE

Welcome to Term 4! As we get into the last part of the school year, here are the topics each year level will be covering in LOTE lessons.

**Year 3 - Japanese Celebrations.** We will finish off the year learning about the wonderful celebrations held during the year in Japan.

**Year 4 - My House.** By the end of this unit students will be able to communicate about homes in Australia and Japan.

**Year 5 - Momotaro The Peach Boy.** As part of this unit, students will learn the story of the Peach Boy and create their own story in Japanese - with a few changes along the way!

**Year 6 - Big, Bigger and Biggest!** Students will be learning about famous cities in Japan and things they can do in each place, etc. Don't be surprised if your child comes home asking if you can go on a holiday to Japan after we find out all the fun things to see and do there!

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the LOTE program.

**October 10<sup>th</sup> - Taiiku no Hi - Sports Day.** October is the middle of autumn, and generally fine weather in Japan, lending itself well to school sports days, called Undookai. Undookai began in the first half of the 1800's when foreign teachers introduced the concept as a serious, competitive day. Since then it has become mainly for fun, with events such as Tug-of-War, Three Legged Race and Caterpillar Races being popular.

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Amy Fulwood [akhal2@eq.edu.au](mailto:akhal2@eq.edu.au)

## YEAR 3-6 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Another fantastic swimming program was capped off with another fantastic Swimming Carnival! The Big Swim ensured that the day started with everyone earning as many points as they possibly could. Well done to all students.

- Thanks to Mrs Hunter and Mrs Roxby for recording all events and points.
- Thanks to our wonderful Year 3-6 teachers for preparing our students so well for the day and their hard work judging, marshalling, starting and supervising.
- Thanks to Miss Jappe for her great work on the microphone.
- Thanks to our Sports Captains for organising their house teams and war cries.
- Thanks Mr Hornett and Mrs Parsons for our yummy sausage sizzle.
- Thanks to the many parents and family members who came to cheer us all on, in what was a wonderful Swimming Carnival!

It didn't take them long.....TAIPANS are the champion house again in 2017! That's 7 out of the past 8 years.

Taipans – 682  
 Marlins – 673  
 Crocs - 593  
 Eagles - 553

Congratulations also to Jessy Marchiori and Charlie Mitchell for being named our Spirit of Swimming award winners.

Once again it was so wonderful to see everyone so happy about being active – Well done students!

Freshwater State School has a fantastic Swimming Program, culminating with our wonderful Carnival thanks to each and every one of our students and their parents. Thank you ☺

Mrs Knight



## TENNIS QLD RED BALL COMPETITION

Congratulations to Angus and Estelle Edge, Abdi Collins, Abbey and Cooper Marek, Ai Maruyama and Oliver Alden for coming Runners Up in the Tennis Queensland Red Ball competition last weekend – They will now represent Freshwater at the Pro Tour in

October ☺

Well done!! Mrs Knight

## CODING CLUB NEWS

The Coding Club has now started this term on Tuesday 10th Oct. With 9 weeks left in the term, we are introducing a new Tech Topic each week, in addition to the usual coding with Scratch or game playing. The Tech Topics planned include GPS, 3D printing, robots, drones etc. It should be fun - happy coding everyone.

Jason, Rob and Mr Spanner.

## Student of the Week Awards

PGW	ELLE Mc	3NT	GISELE B
PTE	AYIESHA O	4SC	CHARLOTTE F
PJS	JUDY Mac	4PG	JAMES P
PRD	EMILY K	4NL	WHOLE CLASS
1CG	ZACKARY B	4/5SW	BEN E
1EB	EVIE R	5LS	GEORGIA N
1KAD	OLIVIA V	5SM	CATHERINE W
1AM	TANISHA T	5LD	GEORGIA J
2TDW	NINA A	5LB	CHRIS F
2AY	RILEY C	6NB	EMMANUEL K
2MD	NAOMI T	6JP	ISOBELLA C
2KW	ARCHIE A	MUSIC	OLIVER T
2/3SW	GRACE E	HPE	CAROL G
3AM	ELLE D	LOTE	NIKOLAS A
3RL	TANYA T		
3JR	ANGUS C		



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## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC 2018 – PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Parents of new and existing instrumental music students are welcome to attend an information night on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November in the conference room at the Library, starting at 6.30pm.

## WAR TIME TREASURE HUNT

Cairns RSL in conjunction with the Cairns Post are running a War Time Treasure Hunt in the five weeks leading up to this year's Remembrance Day. Commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> October, and each Tuesday following, clues to a local war site will be given in the Inspire Magazine of the Cairns Post. You will then have one week to find the location, upload an image containing the location and an indication of our school uniform to the Cairns RSL Sub Branch Facebook page, and mention the Cairns Post and hash tag #wartimetreasurehunt. Freshwater State School will be joining the Treasure Hunt Fun and therefore be in the running to win the Grand Prize of \$1000 for the school.

So if you like a bit of adventure, seeing and learning new things, then grab the Inspire magazine each Tuesday next term, read the clues, find the location, upload an image highlighting the location and the school uniform and let's see what we can do. Running from 3<sup>rd</sup> October to 7<sup>th</sup> November

## CARE PACKAGES FOR THE TROOPS

This year Freshwater State School are supporting the Cairns RSL in creating Care Packages to send to our troops serving in the Middle-East this Christmas. We are asking families to donate non-perishable items that the troops would appreciate while being away from home. We will have a collection point located in the P&C office up to the 1<sup>st</sup> November. Examples of items may be skin lotion, moisturiser, lip balm, non-aerosol deodorant, vegemite, hand/face wipes, multi boxes of tea, hot chocolate, cappuccino, soup, multipacks of gum, mentos, chuppa chups, muesli bars, assorted biscuits, chips, lollies, tic tacs, playing cards, magazines, puzzle books etc. *Rikki Bradley, Defence Transition Aide*



## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ben Emeleus (4/5SW) and Will Emeleus (2/3SW) who competed at the BMX State Championships in Townsville over the holidays. William raced in the 8 year Challenge class and made the 1/4 finals (top 20 in Queensland). Ben raced in the 8-10 Cruiser and 10year Challenge classes and achieved 3rd in Queensland for both (against over 40 riders in each class).



## FOR SALE - USED SCHOOL BAND INSTRUMENT

The Instrumental Music/Band Programme is selling old stock recently replaced by the support of our P&C and their successful grant application. All instruments are being sold as is for **\$50** on a first serve basis, so please contact Mr Fox by email [jfox30@eq.edu.au](mailto:jfox30@eq.edu.au) if you are interested in putting a hold on one.

**Flute x3                      Clarinet x9                      Alto Saxophone x4**

Note: There is no guarantee of the reliability of these instruments and all will need a service to be made playable for your child. This is an affordable and cheaper option to buying a brand new instrument for your child to continue in 2018.

## HEAD LICE VIGILANCE

We have a couple of classes under attack from the dreaded Head Lice. Please, please constantly check and treat your child's hair for these pests. After initial treatment, check daily using conditioner and a lice comb for at least a week. Up-to-date information is available at the Qld Government website <http://conditions.health.qld.gov.au/HealthCondition/condition/14/165/351/Head-Lice>

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## GENERAL NOTICES

### SAINTS ALDI MINIROOS KICK-OFF PROGRAM

- ⚙ *When:* Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – Sat Nov 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – 10:30am
- ⚙ *Where:* Endeavour Park, Cannon St, Manunda
- ⚙ *Who:* Boys & girls aged 4-9yrs
- ⚙ *Cost:* \$60:00 per player
- ⚙ *Contact:* [www.saintssoccercairns.com.au](http://www.saintssoccercairns.com.au) or [saintssoccercairns@live.com.au](mailto:saintssoccercairns@live.com.au)

### BECOME AN INTERNATIONAL FAMILY IN 2018!

Hosting overseas students promotes an exchange of cultures, languages and traditions and enriches your family's lifestyle  
Request your free info pack today!  
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### LEARN TO SEW CLASSES

Beautiful ideas and handyworks classes are starting soon at the Stratford Community Hall.  
Classes include crochet, hand embroidery, basic sewing and more.  
All ages welcome.  
Call Vijay: 0439015555 or Amber: 0438247485.  
Email: [vijay.wendt@hotmail.com](mailto:vijay.wendt@hotmail.com)

### LITTLE LIFESAVERS

Highly skilled surf lifesavers introduce children to board paddling, wading, dolphin diving, beach sprints, flags, rescue techniques, patient care and CPR.  
8am – 10am Registration includes long sleeve rash shirt, water bottle, wet bag and activity book. For more information [littlifelifersavers.com.au](http://littlifelifersavers.com.au) or [littlifelifersavers@lifesaving.com.au](mailto:littlifelifersavers@lifesaving.com.au) (07) 3846 8000

### T20 BLAST CRICKET

*When:* Friday Oct 6th to Friday Dec 1st from 5:30 to 7pm  
*Who:* Boys & girls aged 7-12yrs *Cost:* \$99  
*Contact:* Peter 0418 877 545 or [www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au)

### PICTURE BOOK POETRY GARDEN PARTY

*When:* Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October from 2pm to 3pm  
*Where:* Blue Mango Terrace, 209 Esplanade

### GIRLS IN AFL

Free AFL Skills Development training  
*Where:* Watsons Back Oval (behind the PCYC)  
Starting November 2<sup>nd</sup> for 5 weeks  
Further Information contact Sharon 0447 574 636  
Email : [juniors@northcairnstigers.com.au](mailto:juniors@northcairnstigers.com.au)

The positive behaviour focus for Week 2 is:  
**Expectation: NO – COVERED AREA**  
*From the 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' team*

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