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Newsletter 8 September 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER

MESSAGE FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL, LOUISE JAPPE

Random Act of Kindness

Last week we received an anonymous correspondence from a local Cairns Business owner who has worked in Cairns for most of his life. Each morning whilst working, many Freshwater students pass by on the pathway and this person is required to stop his mower or whippersnipper to allow the students to pass by safely. The students and parents who walk past are always so polite and thankful representing our values of safety, respect and being responsible.

As a token of their appreciation and gratitude this person, who would like to remain anonymous, contacted the school office wanting to provide a donation to the school as a way of thanking and acknowledging the students at Freshwater for their excellent manners and behaviour.

The Student Council have received a \$200 Limberlost Voucher which will go towards the gardens they are rejuvenating in the front of the Administration Office.

We are very grateful for the generous donation and proud of our students for their excellent demonstration of our school values.

We would also like to formally thank our anonymous donor – we really appreciate the kind and very generous donation to our school garden project.



TERM 3	
Thursday 3 September	3 - 4 Swimming commenced
Tuesday 8 September	Crazy Socks Day
Thursday 10 September	Year 5 Gold Rush Incursion
Friday 11 September	5 - 6 Swimming commences
Wednesday 16 September	Math's Olympiad
Friday 18 September	3 - 6 Swimming Carnival
Friday 18 September	last day of term
TERM 4	
Friday 9 September	Year 1 Zoo 2 You
Book Week	Monday 19 - Friday 23 October
Book Fair	Monday 26 - Friday 30 October
Friday 11 December	last day of term

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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1KD	Amelie Toogood
1KD	Leon Glaspy
3AM	Tobias Allen
3AM	Hanalee Pajor
4KW	Amelie Grabau
4KW	Ruby Hamer-Law
4KA	Ava Cox
4KA	Shuntaro Sato
5JG	Charlotte Bodsworth
5JG	Felix Jentz
5LD	Nikolas Anderson
5LD	Esteruth Vogler

5BW	Abdi Collins
5BW	Ava Bamford
5AY	Pippa Davidson
5AY	Joss Ingram
6NT	Molly Ben Ezra
6NT	Will Applebee
6NL	Cruz McCooey
6NL	Elka Loghem
6JP	Mahlee Nowak
6JP	Jed Geister
6JP	Cooper Marek
6JP	Alice Goodall
JAPANESE	Isabella Whyte & Alexis Ciccotosto
JAPANESE	Myah Howell & Curtis McNaughton

COVID-19 restrictions are still operating and changes will be made to how both weeks are run. Further details will be announced closer to their commencement.

Date Claimers

Book Week Monday 19th – Friday 23rd October

LIBRARY TIDINGS

5AY Scratch

The year fives have been creating their own interactive maze on Scratch. This program allows students to code their own program. Below are students and the Maze's they have designed.



Term 4 is nearly here!

We are very excited to be celebrating Book Week (week 3) and hosting Book Fair (week 4) at Freshwater State School.



Book Fair Monday 26th – Friday 30th October -

More information to be released at the beginning of Term 4.



“I am not afraid of storms,
for I am learning how to sail my ship.”

-Little Women by Louisa May Alcott-

Yours in literary adventures,

Amanda Glaspy, Library Officer

FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT

Thanks to everyone who attended the meeting last night, it was really positive and we look forward to advancing a few projects over the Sept school holidays. We are very excited to release the draft plans for the Prep-2 playground and would love to hear your feedback. It will replace the current red & blue playground, extending across in front of OSHC near stop, drop and go on Corkill St. Please email any feedback to admin@freshwaterpandc.com.au by 18 Sept (last day of Term 3)

Our next landscaping project requires stumps and logs. If you happen to be cutting down or pruning a hard wood tree, please get in touch.

We are hoping to finish off the year with a bit of fun, so look out for the Colour Explosion and Movie Night in Term 4 :)

OSHC: Looking forward to vacation care! Please confirm your bookings.

Volunteers: If you can spare an hour to help out in the Uniform Shop or Tuckshop, your time is greatly appreciated and the kids love it!

https://freshwaterss.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/528/fss_playground_concept_drawing.pdf

CRAZY SOCKS DAY

Another successful fundraiser by our Student Council, over \$400 taken in gold coin donations.



BICYCLES AT SCHOOL

We recently moved the bike racks to a position closer to Old Smithfield Road to assist with supervision before and after school.

After an incident during school hours where a bike was stolen from behind the locked gates, we have moved the bike racks to their original position away from view.

Heidi Marek, our Adopt-a-Cop, has recommended that students lock their bikes during the day, while on the school grounds.

It's also recommended that parents complete a Bicycle Identification Card provided by the Police Service (see link below). This form is kept in a safe place at home for future reference if required.

<https://www.nhwq.org/wp-content/uploads/Bicycle-Identification-Card-May-2015.pdf>

'Raising Resilient Children (focus cyberbullying)'

FREE online 14th September at 6:30pm

Parents/carers are invited to attend a Triple P online seminar on raising resilient children focussing on cyberbullying.

The seminar is delivered by an accredited Triple P provider and aim to strengthen relationships between parents/carers and children, focusing on:

- Developing strategies to deal with life's challenges, such as COVID-19
- Problem-solving with their child how to stay safe and manage risks online
- Supporting their child's ability to manage emotional ups and downs
- Managing screen time and set age-appropriate boundaries
- Knowing what actions to take if their child is being bullied online
- Helping their child cope with stress and setbacks and stay positive.

Seminars will run for up to 90 minutes (including question time).

Interested parents/carers can register for the free seminar at

<https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/qld-uken/find-help/check-our-calendar/2020-09-14/seminar/raising-resilient-children-focus-on-cyberbullying/108206/>

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

MESSAGE FROM CAIRNS REGIONAL COUNCIL