Charleville State School Newsletter

Wednesday, 30 April 2014

From the Principal’s desk...

**Kindy fun page**

The kindy section of the department’s website is now home to fun activities, resources and events for kindy-aged children and their families. The [Fun and games](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/schools/stepup/) page features a PDF version of the ‘Monster Match’ game. A life-sized version of this game was premiered at National Playgroup Day and proved an exciting fun activity for young children and 35,000 copies were sent to families in rural and remote Queensland. Families can also download and access other resources that involve play-based learning.

**Transition to school from kindergarten**

Starting school is a major life transition for families and children. Managing this change is best done if information is shared between parents, carers, children, principals and early years’ teachers in schools and kindergartens. By managing the transition to school in a supportive way, children’s continuity of learning is maintained.

A positive start to school means children and families have a greater and ongoing connection with the school community. Have a look at the Step up into education website [here](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/schools/stepup/) for more information and resources.

**We Learn to Read, so we can Read to Learn**

Reading is a lifelong journey, and whilst reading at school is very important, only reading at school will place your child at a disadvantage to those who read every night at home. Below are some great tips to help reading at home!

Even if your child is motivated to read, supporting her with a variety of ways and options will keep her momentum going. Here are 7 tips to open up the wonderful world of reading for your child.

**Reading Tip for Parents: What’s “Just Right”?** Children feel confident and competent when they read books that are “just right.” But how do you find a “just right” book? Have your child read the back and front cover, and first page of the book. If there are more than five words that he cannot pronounce or understand in context, the book may be too challenging. Be supportive about finding a more perfect fit. Choosing the right book will help your little reader feel successful.

**Reading Tip for Parents: Map it Out** It’s important to provide your child with a variety of fiction and non-fiction reading. A fun way to do this is to get a map and show them the way from your house to the grocery store or another familiar destination. Have your child write out the directions, street by street, and then read them to you as you walk or drive to the store – like a living GPS!

**Reading Tip for Parents: Card Tricks** Do you think effective reading only takes place at libraries and book stores? Think again! There are reading opportunities everywhere. Go to a greeting card store with your child and read the greeting cards together. Later, vote for the ones whose words convey the best birthday wish or get-well sentiment.

**Reading Tip for Parents: Picture This!** During your next outing or gathering, take action-packed photos, then have your child create captions to go with each picture. Assemble the pictures and captions in a picture book or album, and add speech and thought bubbles to create a personalized – and probably hysterical -- graphic novel.

**Reading Tip for Parents: Last Comic Standing** Take time to read comic strips together. Share favourites from your own childhood and have your child put his favourites on the fridge. Read them aloud, and often -- repetition is a great way to build reading skills. Soon, he’ll love looking forward to the “Sunday funnies” each week.

**Reading Tip for Parents: Become a Fan** Your child will soon develop a love for particular authors and illustrators. Nurture her fan-ship by helping her write a letter to her favourite author. Many authors have their own websites with contact information, but here’s a great place to start your search ([http://www.scholastic.com/kids/stacks/authors/all.htm](http://www.scholastic.com/kids/stacks/authors/all.htm)). You can also contact the book’s publisher, the mailing address for which can often be found on the back of the title page or on the publisher’s Web site.

**Reading Tip for Parents: Labels of Love** Word recognition and vocabulary are important parts of reading. On a rainy day, get some paper and tape and start labelling everything in your home — from furniture to small knick-knacks. Reading these labels repeatedly will build your child’s mental word bank. If your family is bilingual, create labels in both languages.

Regards,

Justin Kummerow
2014 Charleville and District Careers Market

You Are Invited!!

Charleville State High School would like to extend an invitation to parents and interested community members to attend the 2014 Biennial Careers Market.

When: Wednesday 18th June, 11:00am -3:00pm for students and parent
4:00 pm – 5:30pm for community members

Where: Charleville State High School – Trade Training Centre and Library

The Careers Market provides an opportunity to meet with representatives from Queensland’s major Universities and TAFE’s that will showcase, along with employment agencies, apprenticeship centres, Group Training providers, and Government Departments including: Defence Force Recruiting, Queensland Police Service and Queensland Health.

This year we will have the Australian Block and Bricklaying Federation at the Market running an interactive display where visitors can try their hand at this trade. Onsite there will also be an opportunity to have a session with our trainee Hairdressers and experience the art of Barista.

Other exhibitors may include:
- TAFE
- NAPCO – North Australian Pastoral Company
- Centrelink
- QLD Ambulance
- Golden West Apprenticeships
- Busy @ Work Apprenticeship Centre
- Murweh Shire
- Fulton Hogan – Civil Construction/Engineering
- DAFF – Department Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries
- Arrow Energy

Please contact the Careers Market Coordinator for further details:
Sue McDonald or Stephanie King 4656 8888 or smcdon193@eq.edu.au

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Students of the Week

Week Beginning 22/04/14
Prep 2 Alex Linson
Prep 4 Selinah Payne
Year 1 Santina Garinge
Year 2
Year 2/3 Merv Hughes
Year 3 Rhianne White
Year 3/4 Janice Ryan
Year 4/5 Denali Anderson
Year 5/6
Year 5/7 Klara Maffo

Reading Results Week Beginning 17/03/14
Prep A Malice Bradford
Prep B Trevor Garinge
Year 1 Lezly Hatch
Year 2
Year 2/3 Ray Williams
Year 3 Thelma Ryan
Year 4 Geneina Womar
Year 4/5 Lezly Cavanagh
Year 5/6
Year 6/7 Manor Spinazzola

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MEAL DEAL

Wednesday 07 May 2014

Pizza and ice block $5
Slushies $2

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Mother’s Day Stall

The P & C will be holding a Mother’s Day stall on the morning of Wednesday 7th May and Friday 9th May from 8:00am – 8:50am.
Gifts will range from $1.00 - $6.00.
Thank you for your support.

Lana Holley
Treasurer P & C
3/4B has had a very busy and productive term. The students really enjoyed reading The Twits and coming up with humorous and exciting new tricks. Students have also looked at living and non-living things as well as classifying animals with a vertebrae and without. The students thoroughly enjoyed the visit from Josh Arnold, very eager to see the finished product. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Mr Kruger and 3/4B

Word of the week

Intrude

Last week students looked at the word intrude. The students had lots of fun with this word through role playing. The class imagined sitting down at coffee having a conversation with a friend, until someone intruded on their conversation.

Year 4/5A

We have had a fantastic term of learning. We have delved into trying to persuade people that Minecraft should not be banned and why the town pool should not be closed and filled with concrete. We have started to explore explorers and the First Fleet in history and have dabbled in geography - a new Australian Curriculum area.

Whilst the ‘Noosa’ campers were away, the ‘At School’ campers had a lot of fun. We went fishing (not very successfully) and swimming. We had a movie and pizza night and a pirate treasure hunt. I would like to say a big thank you to Tamara Suhan who brought ice blocks down to the Warrego where we were fishing, much appreciated on such a warm day. I would also like to say a big thankyou to Marie Dagan who brought down yabby pots on the fishing day and some yummy snacks for the students when we went swimming.
NETBALL

NETBALL STARTS THIS THURSDAY AT THE NETBALL COURTS NEAR THE TOWN POOL SO EVEN IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED UP STILL COME ALONG TO SIGN UP 15 MINS BEFORE THE BELOW TIME FOR YOUR GRADE.
Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 - 3.30pm - court 3
Years 3 and 4 - 3.30pm - court 2
Years 5 and 6 - 3.30 pm - court 1
Years 7, 8 and 9 - 4.30pm - court 1 and 2

Junior Soccer 2014
For Grades 2 to 8
Very late start up this year because of Easter and Anzac day...
TRAINING AND A REGISTRATION ON:-
Tuesday 6th May at the Charleville Showgrounds
Grades 2, 3, 4 3:15 – 4 pm
Grades 5, 6, 7, 8 4 – 5 pm
Fixtures will start on Tuesday 20th May (after the Charleville Show) and finish mid-September.
$15 Registration Fee, payable at the Charleville Neighbourhood Centre
John Nicholson

Charleville Junior Rugby League
Saturday 03 May 2014
Brassington Park – Augathella
Under 6 - 9:00am (need to be there 8:30am)
Under 8 - 9:00am (need to be there 8:30am)
Under 10 - 11.50am (need to be there 11:20am)
Under 12 - 2:00pm (need to be there 1:30pm)

There are no Under 14 games in Augathella.

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