Principal’s message

Week Nine has arrived and it has been a busy one!

On Monday, our Cookie Dough orders were handed out. Thank you to families who supported our fundraiser. Thank you to Mrs Shelton for organising this fundraiser.

On Tuesday we had our final swimming lesson at Goomeri Pool. Students took part in assessment activities in the pool including survival testing for Senior Students. Thank you to Mr Smith for another great Swimming Season.

On Wednesday, we had our Rewards Trip to Aussie World. Students enjoyed their time trying out all of the rides and feasting on their hot dogs and chicken chips for lunch. Congratulations to the students who achieved this reward. We are looking forward to students working hard next year to achieve the 2015 Rewards Trip.

Tomorrow, Friday 5th December, Report Cards will be sent home. If any parents would like to reflect on these report cards with me, please come and make a time to discuss them with Colleen or myself.

Junior Swimming Carnival

Last Thursday, we had our 2014 Junior Swimming Carnival. I would like to congratulate all Junior students for their sportsmanship and participation on the day. I would also like to thank the Senior Students who were great volunteer helpers for the day. Again, we thank Mr Smith for organising and running another successful carnival.

Barambah Leadership Day

Last Friday, Year 4s and Year 6s participated in the Leadership and Low Ropes Day at Barambah Environmental Education Centre. Widgee, Woolooga, Wheatlands and Windera students joined us for a range of leadership and team building activities. Our Senior Students will return to BEEC next February for
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our two night Cluster Leadership Camp. Our students enjoyed the day and the challenges that they faced in their
group activities.

Year Six Graduation
Last Thursday night, our Year Sixes were guests of honour at our Cloyna State School Year Six Graduation. We en-
joyed a delicious meal at the Murgon Motor Inn and feasted on the Graduation Cake. Mrs Castle was MC for the night
and Ms Laurenz and myself presented speeches to the students. Students were also presented with several memen-
tos of their time here at Cloyna State School. Congratulation Jayme, Georgina and Holly on your Graduation. Thank
you to the P and C for organising the Graduation Cake and to Mrs Shelton for organising the event.

High School Transition
Our 2014 High School Transition program has been a great success. Students now have a solid introduction to the
High School grounds and classrooms, have worked with 2015 staff and have experienced the High School routines.
This transition program has prepared students for 2015 and given them the opportunity to work with students from
other schools that will be attending Murgon State High School next year.

Peanut Allergy
As I wrote in my last Parent Email Update, we now have a student at Cloyna State School with a severe Peanut Aller-
gy. I thank parents for their support in limiting Peanut products in lunch boxes. The school has a plan in place, all staff
have recently updated their First Aid and CPR qualifications and staff have been and are being trained in this plan by
the School Nurse in 2015.

Parent Email Update
I have received positive feedback about our Weekly Parent Email Update. If you are yet to be added to our list, and
you would like to receive these weekly updates via email, please come and see me and I will add your email address
to our list.

Report Cards
Reporting and Assessment has been completed for 2014 and report cards will be sent home this Friday 5th Decem-
ber. Testing is taking place over the next week to continue planning for 2015. Mrs Castle and Ms Laurenz will be us-
ing this assessment data to inform curriculum planning for 2015.

Home Work and Home Reading
I thank parents who have encouraged and supported Home Work and Home Reading throughout this year. I realise
that time of an evening can be limited; however, these review and practice activities are important tools in solidifying
student knowledge and understanding of concepts and skills taught in class. We greatly appreciate your support.

Break Up Day 2014
Our Break Up Day Luncheon will take place next Wednesday 10th December. On this day, students will sit down to a
roast luncheon, take part in water play and have a visit from Santa. The P and C have generously offered to pay for all
food on the day, therefore, students will only have to bring swimmers for water play, a hat and a water bottle. Students
may wear free dress on the day. On Thursday 11th and Friday 12th December, students may also wear free dress
and bring swimmers for water play.

As this is our final newsletter for 2014, I’d like to take this opportunity to thank the school community for their warm
welcome and support over the last nine weeks. It has been a privilege to work with such a dedicated and hard working
staff. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here at Cloyna and wish all of our students and their families a relaxing, rest-
ful and safe Christmas break and all the best for 2015. May your Christmas be cool, wet (here’s hoping) and full of joy!

Yours in Education, Kendall Seccombe
Awards
Congratulations to all of these students.

Jayme, Bella, Holly, Lili, Travis, Billie, Zac, Will, Lochlan, Riley, Elijah

Bella, Jack W, Will, Eliana, Zac, Lochlan, Riley

Jorja, Jayme, Joe, Michael

Happy Birthday—December Birthdays
Jayme Davies-Taylor—8th
Will Webber—17th

Graduation
Congratulations to our 3 Graduation Students—Holly, Georgina, Jayme
Aussie World Rewards Day

Term 4 Swimming Lessons

Yr 4 & 6 Low Ropes at Barambah EEC
CLOYNA HEADS TO COLUMBOOLA

For two days in November, Cloyna State School students travelled to Columboola Environmental Education Centre near Miles for two days of yabbying, canoeing, photo trailing, archery, bunyip hunting and challenging our gross motor skills on the low ropes course. Each year, Cloyna State School students attend a two day whole school camp. It is a great opportunity for team building, leadership challenges and skill based learning experiences.

PREP IS COOL AT CLOYNA STATE SCHOOL

This term our Prep students have been hard at work practising their problem solving skills and learning about shapes, money and data collection. In English, we have been reading different versions of fairy tales and writing a persuasive text to explain which story they liked the best and why. In History, we have been exploring objects from the past and how they have changed over time. Enrolments for Prep in 2015 at Cloyna State School are being accepted now. Please contact the Principal on 4168 8247 for more information.
Murgon Christmas Fair
Friday December 12 in Lamb Street, Murgon. Starting at 5.30—Santa will arrive at 6.00pm. Rides include ChaCha, Avalanche, Castles, Carousels, the Big Slide and more. Entertainment includes Wondai Band, Jeff Hancock’s Elvis for Christmas stage show. Food includes BBQ, Churros, Fairy Floss, hot chips, etc.

Murgon Christmas Carols by Candelight
Sunday December 7 in Murgon Town Hall—starting at 6.30pm. Get into the spirit of Christmas and support your local Chaplains as you sing your favourite carols, followed by fellowship over supper. (Contributions to supper would be appreciated. No entry fee. Flame-free candles on sale.

Community News

Proston Pool
Open Evening
NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT
Come along to our meet and greet evening at the Proston Swimming Pool and meet the new manager and learn to swim teacher. We are happy to take bookings and answer all the questions you may have.
Our canteen will be open with cold drinks, chips, lollies, ice blocks & a sausage sizzle available for purchase throughout the evening.
Saturday 13th December sausage sizzle starting at 5pm
For more details or any questions don’t hesitate to contact me; Brittany Holding on either 0497 112 628 or 41 686 017

Bush Kids
Free Christmas Carnival
Windera School Oval
Saturday 20th December 2014
From 2.30pm onwards
Santa arriving at 4.30pm
Free BBQ Dinner from 5.30pm
Contact Sarah Vanderkolk on 0429666001 or Renae Waldock on 0417730032 for more details

Murgon Christmas Fair
Come Along for a Great Family Afternoon at the first ever

Bring your own Chair or Blanket
Free
- Jumping Castle
- Train Rides
- Face Painting
- Games and activities

Christmas crafts and Activities