FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Thurs 29th Nov......Yr7 - 10 Speech Night
- Fri Nov 29th ......Yr 10s Last Day
- Thu Dec 5th ......Swimming Carnival
- Thu Dec 12th ......School Concert / Report Cards
- Fri Dec 13th ......Last day of school

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: We have now reached the mid-point of term four. The reality of that point is that teachers and student only have 5 weeks to prepare for their next year level. It is extremely important that students are prepared sufficiently for the demands of the year level to come in 2014. Year seven students only have 5 weeks until they enter the high school campus as year 8 students. We cannot waste a day in preparing for next year and the demands that the curriculum offerings will bring. Every day counts for every student; please ensure your children attend school every day till the last day of this school year.

I attended the annual Principal’s conference for all principals in Far North Queensland on Friday the 1st of November. I was extremely proud as Principal of Yarrabah State School to see and hear Yarrabah State School applauded by the Regional Director, Mr Richard Huelin as one of 5 schools in the entire region to make the largest gains in student achievement. This is reflective of the excellent teaching, learning and programs that best support our students. Our Education Assistants, Reading and Phonics teams are crucial to ensuring and embedding this very positive shift in student data. While this year’s HAPLAN data is very pleasing we, as a school, still have explicit improvements to make. Our goal is to bring all students above the National Minimum Standard and a great percentage of our students into the Upper Two Bands of Achievement.

Student footwear: We are seeing more and more students report to Administration with foot injuries to be attended by Ms Jess and Steph. These injuries are the result of students not wearing shoes to school. Generally our students are sensible in their play at lunch times. The injuries consist of cuts from stones and glass on the way to school and stubbed toes as a result of reasonable play.

All Yarrabah State School high school students are required to wear shoes every day.

At the 4 – 7 Parade I have spoken to the year 6 and 7 students about the requirement to wear footwear as the progress to our high school campus. I have requested the year 6 and 7 students to start wearing shoes now in preparation for their move. I would like to congratulate those students who are wearing their shoes to school every day.

This Saturday I will attend the Better Together Conference with community representatives Kara and Malcolm. Dr George Otero will lead the conference which will look to build Community and parent engagement in our school. I will report back to you the result of the workshop in our next newsletter. Our next P&C meeting is on Wednesday the 27th of November at the Primary Campus. All parents and care givers are welcome.

Regards

Simon (Spice) Cotton
The E class, along with Miss Cody, Mr Allan and Uncle Merton, were given the very special opportunity of hearing from Granny Elizabeth O'Burns and Bishop Arthur Malcolm this week. This is part of the student’s English assessment where they are required to write the stories of elders here in the community. The students were in awe of the stories they both had from their time in the dormitory (they even had a giggle when Bishop Malcolm told of how his mates would pretend to sleep walk down the road just so they could get some more food for themselves). On behalf of the students at the high school, we’d just like to thank Granny Elizabeth and Bishop Malcolm for taking the time to come and speak to us.

Pictured Above: Bishop Malcolm and Granny Elizabeth with students and staff at the Menmuny Museum.

Dance Class: Prep to year 3 dance classes were extremely lucky when Jason Jia (Indigenous choreographer and performer) came to Yarrabah to run classes with the m. The students were very excited as they learnt a short 2 minute contemporary Indigenous dance routine. Look out for their deadly dance moves at the end of year concert. Pictured below: Jason showing students some moves.

What: Homework Classes
When: Every Thursday beginning Week 2
Time: 2:45 -3:45 OR 2:45 -3:20 for those on late bus.
Where: Miss Kameli’s room @ YSS

What: Cybersmart Community Champions (Train the Trainer Workshop)
When: Wednesday 6th November
Time: 9:30am to 4pm
Where: Yarrabah State Resource Centre

Please RSVP by Monday 4 November to Sarah.Hayton@acma.gov.au

(Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided)

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week 4

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<td>Geraldine</td>
<td>Being polite, courteous and respectful at all times</td>
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<td>Rhonda</td>
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<td>8,9,10E</td>
<td>Kimberly</td>
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MONDAY
Spaghetti Bolognese, Rice & Juice

TUESDAY
Sandwiches & Juice

WEDNESDAY
Curried Chicken Rice & Juice

THURSDAY
Jaffles & Juice

FRIDAY
Pie or Sausage Roll & Juice

Yoghurt Fruit
Chicken & Water Fruit Salad

PRICES:

Hot Meal ........................................ $3.00
Sandwiches ................................... $3.00
Jaffles ........................................... $1.00
Big Pie .......................................... $3.00
Sn Pie ........................................... $1.50
Party Pie ......................................... $1.00
Chickadees ..................................... $1.00
Pizza ............................................ $3.00

Juice ................................................ $1.50
Flavoured milk ................................ $1.50
Water ............................................. $2.00
Sultanas ......................................... $1.00
Le Snack ......................................... $1.00
Frozen Orange Block ...................... $1.00

PRICES:

Yours for
Tuckershop!

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