Croydon State School acknowledges the Tagalaka as the traditional custodians of the country in which this school is located and pays respect to their elders past and present.

Term 3 Week 3  27/07/15

Congratulations to everyone involved in organising NAIDOC activities last week. All the staff contributed to help Trish organise the day. Thanks to Trish for organising the day and cooking up all the food. Thanks also to Rosalinda for the NAIDOC cake.

The students had a great day on Friday and were very positive in their approach to each other and the activities. The days wouldn’t go so smoothly if it wasn’t for the attitude of the children. It is a great place to be. Parents who would like to experience a great day at school with their children are welcome to come in at any time. The main literacy time is between 9.30—10.30 each morning.

The students are currently working on a project for the Etheridge Show with the topic being an Australian Landmark. We will be entering them in the show that is being held next Saturday at Forsayth. Hopefully a few people will travel across for the event and support the student work.

The week after on Friday August 7th we have the Croydon State School Track and Field Championships. This will start at 8.30 a.m. and will involve the students competing in sprinting, middle distance running, high jump, long jump, shot put, relays and ball games. Come along dressed in yellow or green to support your children in their respective houses of Wattle and Eucalypts. There will also be sausage on bread for $2.00, steak on bread for $4.00 drinks for $2.00 and chips for a $1.00 available for purchase.

The Friday after on August 14th we will be competing at Georgetown in the Savannah District Track and Field Championships. This year we plan on taking over the entire school to compete. We have a bus that can transport 12 students. We will also need a number of parents to drive their children across to the sports. In the past this has been well supported by parents and I expect the same will happen this year.

At Georgetown a team will be picked to compete in the Peninsula Track and Field Championships. This is for students born 2003—2005.

The Gulf Kids Environment Day will be held at the Croydon Rodeo Grounds on the 28th of August. It has a theme of, “Edge of Extinction.” There will be a study of plants and animals that are threatened and there may even be a dinosaur encounter. Further information is available at www.northerngulf.com.au

The school opinion survey is currently underway throughout Queensland. These surveys are all on line. Most Parents have been given a log on code to complete their surveys on line. If you have not received one please see your child’s teacher. If you have no internet access you can complete the survey at school.

The Croydon State School P&C Association has done a fantastic job this year in raising funds for the school. There has been a great deal of work involved in raising funds in events such as the Touch Football, Goldengate train ride, Paddy Dodgers cake stall and Cairns to Karumba Bike Ride to name a few.

The P&C is financial and has contributed to some major purchases this year. They have contributed $15 000 to the purchase of the school bus. The bus was recently purchased and is a 2015 model that arrived from Japan about 2 months ago. It is good to know that when we take the students away that they are as safe as they possibly can be.

The P&C have also contributed to the purchase of seat covers for the bus and four new computers for the junior classroom. If you would like to contribute to your child’s education please involve yourself at P&C meetings held each month. The current executive is:

President: Anita Pickering
Vice President: Chris McCallum
Secretary: Shelley Perkins
Treasurer: Natalie O’Neill
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Daniel Smith
Calender 2015

August
4th - Rugby League clinic
7th - School Track and Field
14th - District Track and Field
17th - Hockey clinic
23-24th - Peninsula Track and Field
28th - Gulf Kids Day - Rodeo ground

September
3rd Rock climbing wall
15-17th Karumba Sports
18th - End of term 3

October
5th - Labour Day holiday
6th - Term 4 starts
19th - Student Free Day
18– 24th - Year 6 transition camp

November
25th - Graduation night

December
2nd - Christmas Tree night
4th - Last day of term 4

Congratualtions to the students of the week from last week: Jade and Amelia. Keep up the good work girls.

Croydon State School
Track and Field Championships
Friday August 7th
Distance Ed Students Welcome Barbeque
Sausages $2 Steak $4

Our school expectations - Absentees

All children should attend school every school day

When students are absent
Ring the school on 47456197 before 9.00 a.m. with a reasonable explanation or provide a signed note.
If the student absence is to be for some time collect some work from school.
Students are required to be at school by 8.20 am to ensure they go into class in adequate time.
When students are late i.e. after 8.30 a.m. they need a note explaining their absence.

School Response to absences
2 days absence without explanation – class teacher will ring home to enquire
4 days absence without suitable explanation – Principal will ring home to enquire
If there is no response to the phone call then an Absence Letter will be mailed home, reminding parents/carers of their obligations to ensure their child attends school on every school day and the requirement for providing satisfactory explanations for all absences.

Absences greater than 10 days
If you are expecting that your child will be absent for greater than 10 days you need to apply for an exemption from compulsory schooling. This form can be accessed at school.