UPCOMING EVENTS

• 31st July Central West Athletics Carnival
• 31st July School Opinion Survey Due
• 3rd-7th August—Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews
• 17-19th August—Music Eisteddfod in Blackwater
• 19th August PISA Testing
• 31st August—1st Sept Year 10-11 Work Experience
• 1st-2nd Sept QCSI

P&C Meeting
• 7th August, 2015 at 3.30pm in Staff Room
Dear Families,

It has been another hectic start to term 3 and it’s great to see our students quickly into the groove of school and down to work straight away.

NAIDOC
Week 1 of the term saw our students working with staff from the Central West Aboriginal Corporation (CWAC), recognising and celebrating NAIDOC week. The theme for NAIDOC this year was “We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate.” In the Early Years students painted wooden cut-outs of native animals, in years 5 and 6 students visited the “Red Shed” and created ceramics, whilst in the secondary school, the art students created small canvas paintings after hearing the stories from the CWAC staff. I want to thank Janeece Thompson, Wendy Scott, Darryl Frazier and Carmen Merchant from CWAC for their engaging activities and the time and preparation they put into planning and delivering activities. All student work will be collated and presented on a special assembly scheduled for 04 August.

iCare
In Week 2 of this term, Mr Anthony Hurst from the Barcaldine Hospital began the iCare program with our Year 8 students. The iCare program is a strengths-based mental health promotion program developed for young people. Topics covered by the program include resilience, wellbeing, finding meaning and strong role models in our culture, adolescent development, coping strategies, positive self-identity; peer support, positive relationships and help-seeking. The program utilises a range of engaging strategies to stimulate lively exchange of ideas: including film clips, storytelling, poetry, journaling and art. The message throughout is simple – find and use your hidden strengths. iCare helps guide young people through this process to find their own unique strengths, to develop these, and enlist them in times of distress. By doing so young people become more confident, more optimistic about the future, and better able to navigate the obstacles they meet in day to day life.

Learning Pathway Planning Interviews (Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews)
A reminder that next week 03 – 06 August our Learning Pathway Planning (LPP) interviews will be taking place for years 1 to 12 (Prep interviews were conducted on 24 July). Information about the interviews and how to book online was posted home at the end of week 1 of the term. Roll Group teachers will make contact with all parents of the students in their classes. If parents/caregivers haven’t made an appointment for an interview by the scheduled day of the interviews, teachers will telephone parents/caregivers. It is important that students attend these interviews as the interviews are around their goals and the support that can be given to ensure they improve and are working to achieve their goals.

Beginner Band
On Thursday 23 July our beginner band students were joined by students from Longreach State School and Ilfracombe State School for an intensive workshop as a choir and a combined band. The day culminated with a fabulous performance thoroughly enjoyed by myself, the Barcaldine primary students and some parents.
Certificate II in Sport Coaching and Rural Operations
The 23 July also saw our students enrolled in the senior subject Recreation; begin their Certificate II in Sport Coaching. This is a four week program run through the Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing and is part of the Get Active Queensland Accreditation Program (GAQAP). Also we are in the final stages of completing all requirements for The Australian Agricultural College, Emerald’s requirements for us to deliver the Certificate II in Rural Operations. The negotiations for us to be able to deliver this course have taken longer than expected but commencement of the course is now imminent and students who are studying Agriculture in Year 11 and 12, who have not yet indicated their participation, but wish to do so, are encouraged to see Mrs Tavita to register their interest.

Central West Athletics
Friday 31 July sees the Central West Athletics Carnival take place at Longreach. I wish all our representatives the best and know they will do our school proud.

Early School Leavers Survey
The Queensland Government is conducting its annual statewide survey of students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 during 2014. The Early School Leavers survey is a short, confidential survey that collects information about what young people are doing the year after leaving school. The information from the survey helps our schools to understand the pathways young people follow after leaving school and to plan services to support transitions into study or employment for our students.

Between July and August, our students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 last year can expect to receive an invitation to complete a web-based survey or a telephone call from the Queensland Government Statistician’s Office to complete the survey. Please encourage early school leavers to take part.

For more information, visit www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep/ or telephone toll free on 1800 068 587.

Til next time
In All Our Best
Grant Williams
Dear families

Welcome to a new Term – we are three weeks into a ten week Term and the time really does seem to fly; even the students have been talking about how quickly the year has progressed.

The secondary school has been quite busy with certification continuing in a range of areas. We have been indeed fortunate to be invited to participate in numerous opportunities for additional learning Certificates and a large number of students have been availed this – but more, later.

Many thanks, to the families who attended the Year 11 Parent Information Evening on Monday, 27 July 2015. We had excellent attendance for this session and it was wonderful to have the variety of questions being asked.

**Year 11 and 10 Work Experience – August 31 – 04 September, 2015**

The Year 11 students have a week that is filled with work and some new experiences that they may have not had before for example, ice skating, attending an NRL Game (Broncos Vs Melbourne Storm) and shopping in the Queen Street Mall.

The Year 11 students are to be congratulated for fundraising just over $12 000.00 and this certainly has allowed some additional expenditure to be included in the total costs.

The Year 10 students have mostly been placed in their places of employment and families have received their child’s paperwork. The Year 11 and 10 students will undertake Work Experience in the same week. Year 10 students are permitted Work experience in the local area of Barcaldine, Aramac and Barcaldine (a reminder to families whose child has been placed in Longreach for Work Experience – all cost for travel and accommodation are to be borne by individual families and not Barcaldine Prep – 12 State School).

Phone calls to Year 11 and 10 employers will commence next week, so families should be aware of this timeline, so that appropriate clothing can be accessed for the work place.

Should you have some additional enquiries, please do not hesitate to make contact with me.

**Hospitality**

We have had our term visit for Certificate II in Kitchen Operations. Mrs Hamilton visited school for all of week two (this is now week three), and she met with all of the students and completed some Competencies with regard to the theory component of the Certificate; she also signed off some students. It is wonderful to see the momentum in the completion rate of this Certificate and this year, has witnessed a substantial increase in enrolment numbers. It has also been an absolute credit to Mrs Hamilton for her commitment to the students of our school; the students very much enjoy her time with us and of course, it helps, that she is a great cook too.
Our next visit will be in Term four, when the truck comes back and many of the students undertake their next phase of practical elements and the older students have their final dinner party for their sign-off.

**Assessment Planners**

Students and families should receive their copy of Semester Two Planner in the course of next week. Many students already have assessment underway and there have been a number of green sheets (the cover sheet of an assessment task) that have been sighted around the school. Families are reminded that all assessment tasks are to be completed by your child and submitted by the due date.

Should an Extension be requested as your child has to attend a sporting event, a family function or the like, then an Extension must be requested; preferably two days (minimum) in advance of the request. It is not presumed that the Extension will be granted, given if the student has known for some time that they will be absent and due process has not been followed. Also, students must not assume that if they are ill on the day of a submission date, the task will be accepted on their return to school – should this be the case, if your child is ill on the submission date – please contact the school to advise a member of Administration that your child is ill and he/she has an assessment task due that day.

As the Year 11 students finalise fundraising events (they have one left), the Year 10 students can commence their fundraising efforts. To this end, the Year 10 students have been requested to donate an appropriate ‘gift’ to the Fathers’ Day raffle. I look forward to receiving these, so that we can create a wonderful Fathers’ day Hamper.

As always, if you have any queries regarding your child’s progress and education, please do not hesitate to make contact with me. I am currently underway on the second round of SET Plans with the year 10 – 12 students, so, some families may be receiving contact from me to discuss your child’s goals regarding their career pathways ... this, I always look forward to.

Until next time and regards for now

Meegan
Welcome back to Semester Two.

**NAPLAN**

Students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 sat NAPLAN in Term 2. NAPLAN individual student reports will start arriving in schools this term and will be distributed to parents. Each report gives a snapshot of how a student performed in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy. It shows whether a student’s achievements fall within the middle 60% of the Australian results for their year level and how they compare with the national average on each strand of the tests.

**NUMERACY IMPROVEMENT**

As mentioned in the newsletter prior to the holidays, Numeracy will become the focus of our school improvement agenda. I would like to share with you some information about Numeracy and how you can become involved in developing your child’s numeracy skills.

*What is numeracy?*

To be numerate is to confidently and effectively use mathematics to meet the everyday demands of life.

*Why is numeracy important?*

Numeracy enables us to develop logical thinking and reasoning strategies in our daily lives. We need numeracy to solve problems and make sense of time, numbers, patterns and shapes for activities like cooking, reading a map or bill, reading instructions and even playing sport.

*Ways to support student’s numeracy development*

There are many everyday things we can do to encourage numeracy learning both at school and at home. These include:

- Encouraging children to use mathematical language such as, How much? How big? How small? How many?
- Discussing the use of numbers, patterns and shapes in day-to-day life-numbers found on library books, spatial patterns or shapes in playgrounds, in the home and architecture.
- Talking about occasions when you are using mathematics in daily jobs and real-life situations-cooking, reading a map or bill, reading instructions and even playing sport.
- Exploring situations using money such as shopping, budgets and credit cards.
- Estimating, measuring and comparing lengths and heights, how heavy or light things are and how much containers hold.
- Talking about different ways to solve a problem.
- Using everyday tools like tape measures or kitchen scales and discussing the units of measure.
- Asking ‘does that make sense?’ ‘is the answer reasonable?’ or ‘what other ways could we do this?’
- Observing and using timetables, calendars and clocks for different purposes like study periods, holiday planning and catching public transport.
- Helping your child to work out how much things cost and what change they will receive.
- Playing number games using magazines, books, newspapers and number plates.
- Organising, categorising and counting collections of things like toys, books, clothing and shoes.

In coming newsletters, I will outline some useful ideas on how you can help your child develop their numeracy skills.
In week 2, the year One class, combined with students from St Josephs, attended an awesome Percussion workshop with the fabulous John Morrison Trio and singer Anna Pask. The students were involved in a number of movement and singing activities and even got to sing and rock out to a hard core version of *Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star* accompanied by John Morrison on the Drum Kit.

The workshop was highly energetic and was enjoyed by all who attended. It was great to see the world renowned performers working with the young students from Barcaldine and exposing them to different genres including Jazz and Blues. We look forward to the next QMF event in two years’ time and are very thankful for the funding that allows our students to be exposed to different musical experiences.
Barcaldine Athletics Carnival Results

Prep–Year 3

ST JOSEPH’S  275
LEICHHARDT  1105
MITCHELL    902

Primary

ST JOSEPH’S  131
LEICHHARDT  628
MITCHELL    378

Secondary

LEICHHARDT  650
MITCHELL    630

Combined Points

LEICHHARDT  2383
MITCHELL    1910

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Barcaldine State School P-12

Isabel Greyling
SCHOOL CHAPLAIN
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Breakfast Clubs
How many times have you heard that ‘breakfast is the most important meal of the day’? Well, while the jury is still out on whether this is just an urban myth or actual scientific fact, there are some pretty strong arguments for breakfast being an important meal in the day and an important daily habit for overall Health and Wellbeing Model-of-Care.

Breakfast is all about ‘breaking the fast’. Typically when people get up in the morning, they haven’t eaten for 8-10 hours and breakfast refuels the body with useful energy and nutrients. Children who eat breakfast each day are much more likely to meet their daily nutritional requirements, because a good breakfast can provide children with up to a third of their daily nutrient needs. They can concentrate better and have a longer attention span, helping them to learn and study better. They can also perform better physically after eating breakfast as there is more energy available to their muscles.

Breakfast can also improve behaviour and mood. Children who don’t eat breakfast may not make up for the nutrients not consumed with the rest of their day’s intake. These children are at a higher risk of being overweight and/or obese, as breakfast is often replaced by mid-morning snacks that tend to be high in fat, sugar and salt. Skipping breakfast can also lead to overeating throughout the day, which also increases the risk of becoming overweight or obese.

Some children are not able to have breakfast at home. This can be for a number of reasons, including there being no food in the house or busy morning routines. In response to this, schools, churches and/or community groups can choose to run school-based breakfast clubs, ensuring that children get the energy and nutrients they need to make the most of their school day.

Breakfast Club will be every Monday Morning and Milo Morning will be on a Tuesday morning.
wk3: Scrambled Egg on Toast
wk4: Away
wk5: Pancakes with Maple Syrup
wk6: Spaghetti on Toast
wk7: Toast in the hole

What’s been happening?
Hi Everyone
As you have worked out by now my days have changed. I will be working in Barcaldine on Mondays and Tuesdays so that I can slot in with the Year 11 and 12’s timetable. I will be delivering a Self-Awareness and Development course, by doing this course the students will receive a Certificate 1 and Certificate 2 in Self-Awareness and Development.

CHAPPY ROOM
Chappy Room will be in the Dance Hall first lunch for Primary School and Second Lunch for High School Students.

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Food for Thought
In the early 1500s in Florence, Italy, there was a huge piece of marble that many sculptors had declared as useless because of a large deep hole that was in it. There was however one man who saw things differently, he believed that it was possible that he could still create something beautiful.

This man was Michelangelo. After several years of hard work, he transformed that ‘flawed’ block into the magnificent statue that the world now knows as the statue of David.

Think about this for a moment. All of us have flaws and imperfections – just like that original piece of marble. Some people feel that they are too thin, too plump, too short or too tall or perhaps just not as attractive as others. These thoughts can even lead some people to believe that they are of little worth.

However, the truth of the matter is that your value does not come from what you look like on the outside; it is the beauty of your personality that will have the deepest impact on others.

Decide today to stop focusing on any perceived negatives in your appearance. Instead, work at sculpting your personality and behaviour into the best that it can be by getting rid of bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words and slander. Try being patient with each other and make allowances for each other’s faults.

If you work hard in these areas, you will automatically become a more beautiful and more loved person.

A message from Chappy.......
After countless weeks of preparation and practice, our members of the school beginner band welcomed other beginning musicians from Longreach and Ilfracombe to take part in the annual Combined Schools Beginner Band Workshop.

It was a hectic, yet rewarding day filled with music making using both instruments and voice. Barcaldine students displayed excellent behaviour and it was great to see Barcaldine students make our guests feel welcome! I would like to thank all the students who attended the workshop as well as our tutors who assisted. It was a great day, filled with hard work, dedication and enthusiasm which lead to a successful concert. Congratulations to all participants.
NAIDOC WEEK
Year 4 have been learning about fables and folktales from Asia.

This Term, we have been looking at the structure of fables and folktales. Students have been deconstructing fables and folktales and have been looking at morals and messages in these stories. We have been focusing on traditional Asian fables and folktales which has also led us to exploring Asia and its many countries.

Students finding information about China

Year 4 have been enjoying being immersed in Asian cultures and are excited to create their own fable or folktale at the end of Term 3. Year 4 and Miss Powell.
What an amazing start to term 3. We have had so many wonderful activities to participate in; we are very lucky. In week one, we all celebrated NAIDOC Week with a variety of activities organised by the Central Western Aboriginal Corporation. The years 1-3 painted Australian animals, year 4 painted years 5 and 6 made bowls and year 7 painted canvases. It certainly was really fun.

The junior band had a fantastic time with the Longreach and Ilfacombe instrumental students attending the junior band workshop. They all put on a mini performance for the school, staff and parents. It was really great to see these talented students.

The year 1 students were treated to a display from the James Morrison Trio and Emma Pask. They did some singing and dancing and heard the drums.

This week the year 6 class will be attending a cricket workshop by Queensland Cricket development officers and the year 5 and 6 classes will be participating in a T20 Blast game. We hope they all have a great time.

Your captains
Kayleigh and Olivia
Hello everyone,

Welcome back for another busy school Term. We would like to start with congratulating everyone who participated at the Athletics Carnival last term and special congratulations to all of the Aged Champions. We hope the next level of competition at the Central west Carnival on Friday brings some good competition and showcases the talent that we do have in the Central West.

Term Three, will be an especially busy time for the seniors as we face the QCS test and Verification – that is where all of our Year 12 work is sent off for External Verification so that judgement can be made on our Exit for school. As many of our class have less than the 15 students, this means all of our work gets sent away to be externally reviewed and we are judged against all of the other Year 12 students in the Rockhampton District (State, Catholic and Independent schools). Some of our students Profiles may also be nominated for State Review, where we are compared to all Year 12 students in the state of Queensland. Student Folios will be sent away in the last week of this term and then we have one opportunity to improve on our Exit, in Term Four and before you know it the Year 12 students will have finished school.

The Year 10 and 11 students are off to Work Experience at the beginning of September and there is already a buzz about what they will be doing.

With winter bringing us some chilly weather, we hope everyone is keeping warm whilst wearing the school uniform with pride. Thankfully, warm Milos are available outside the tuckshop every Tuesday morning, so we hope everyone is taking advantage of that! To conclude, we wish everyone luck this term as it gets busy and hope everyone is ready to throw themselves into term 3 at full speed!
About Barcaldine Kindergarten
(Is your Child/ren aged 3 – 5?)

There is so much information available about Kindy and it can be confusing for families. We would not like to see any children in our Community miss out on a great start to their education. You might find Kindy is available right NOW for your child!

**Who Can Come to Kindy?**

**Fact:** Barcaldine Kindergarten is different to metropolitan Kindergartens as it allows children to attend the Kindy Program from the time they turn 3 (if places are available) up to 5 years of age.

Before their “Kindy Year” (the year before they are able to go to school), children are able to attend the Kindy program between 2 - 8 days/fortnight. It is only in their “Kindy Year” children must attend a minimum of 5 days/fortnight, up to 8 days/fortnight.

The table below shows your child’s “Kindy Year” (the year before they go to school)

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**We do take Mid-year enrolments if you have found your child is eligible for Kindy!**

**Is there Support for Kindy Costs?**

**Fact:** Families may be eligible for Kindy Support, which offers Kindy (to children of Kindy age) at no cost to children who attend at least 5 days/fortnight and are:

- Health Care card holders OR
- Australian Government Pension Concession card holders with automatic Health Care Card entitlements
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children OR
- Families with triplets or more attending in the same year.

Families of children participating in a Kindergarten program in a long day care setting may also be eligible for additional Commonwealth Government rebates, including Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate.

More Information about eligibility for these rebates is available from Centrelink.

**The Kindy Tick**

**Fact:** Barcaldine Kindergarten displays the ‘Kindy Tick’. This means we offer a program:

- Delivered by a qualified early childhood teacher – 4 year University trained
- Typically 15 hours a week, 40 weeks a year, for children in the year prior to Prep
- Aligned with the Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guidelines

**Who Can I Contact for More Information?**

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**Kate Birse**
President (Barcaldine Kindergarten Association)  
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Barcaldine State School
School Banking News for Term 3

Hello Parents & Students,

Comencing this term are 2 very exciting competitions being held in regards to School Banking. The first is a nation wide Prize Portal competition. There are some fantastic prizes that students can be in the running to win. All they need to do is make a minimum of 3 deposits during Term 3 and they receive an automatic entry. Please see below for more details.

**Prize Portal Competition launches in Term 3**

Before the end of last term, you would have received an information pack about our exciting School Banking competition launching in Term 3. A Prize Portal from another dimension has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win one of hundreds of astronomical prizes.

More prizes and chances to win

To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3. They will then automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of these prizes:

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo™ Headphones
- 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Students can also complete a Money Mission at [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal) to double their chance of winning a prize. Students can complete the Money Mission at any time during Term 3, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning.

The second competition is a colouring competition. This competition is exclusive to Barcaldine State School, and the prizes have been donated by the Commonwealth Bank. Again, to be eligible for judging, the students must make a minimum of 3 deposits into their Dollarmite accounts during Term 3. The entries will be judged at the end of Term 3 and the prizes awarded on Parade. I would like to extend this competition to all students in the Primary section, offering a separate smaller prize for those not participating in the school banking program.

The purpose of these competitions is to encourage students from a young age to save, and to learn about money management, which is an essential life skill. If you want your child to participate in this program, please contact the School Banking Co-Ordinator, Cara Burger, on 0408534436 for more details.

HAPPY BANKING!!

Cara 🌻
NOW SHOWING AT JERICHO DRIVE-IN

15 AUGUST 2015

GATE OPEN 5.30pm

MOVIE START 7.00pm

MEET STUART KEVIN & BOB

ADULTS.................. $15.00
PENSIONERS.......... $10.00
STUDENTS.......... $8.00
(TYEER 1 TO YEAR 11)

BARBECUE ON SALE FROM
6.00pm

BURGERS $6.00
SAUSAGE OR BREAD $2.50
SOFT DRINKS $2.00
WATER $2.00
TEA/COFFEE/MILO $1.00
CHIPS $2.50
POPcorn $3.00
CHOCOLATE $0.50

JURASSIC WORLD (M)

MINIONS (PG)

NEXT DRIVE-IN SEPTEMBER
( THERE IS NO ATM MACHINE AVAILABLE IN JERICHO )

Barcaldine Cultural Association

Annual Cent Sale
Saturday 15th August
Barcaldine Town Hall
Doors Open: 12 noon
Starting at: 1.30pm

At The Movies

Fri 31st July & Sun 2nd August at 7pm
The Longest Ride
Fri 7th & Sun 9th August at 7pm
Magic Mike XXL
Fri 14th & 16th August at 7pm
Ant Man

For more information visit:
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in conjunction with
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JOHN BUCHANAN along with Brad "Spud" Murphy (Head Coach Sunshine Coast
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Sunday 16th August
10am—12 Noon
Free Cricket Coaching for all ages
10.30am—5pm
50 over Cricket Match

If you are interested in attending the coaching
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1978—1979: John represented Queensland in 7 Sheffield Shield Matches
1994: John was appointed head coach of the Queensland Bulls
1995—95: Queensland Bulls won their first ever Sheffield Shield
1996: John took on the role of coach of Middlesex 1st XI
1996: John became the Australian Cricket Team coach
April 2007: On retirement the Australian Cricket Team were the World Cup Champions; Test Cricket World
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