

11 AUGUST 2016 (Term 3 Week 5)

Queens Beach State School

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Office Hours - 08.00 a.m. to 04.00 p.m. Mon - Fri

Event	Day / Date
School Times	Start Time: 8:40 a.m. Finish: 2:45 p.m.
Lunch Breaks	1st Break Lunch 10.45 to 11.30 a.m. 2nd Break Lunch 1.00 to 1.30 p.m.
Banking	Tuesdays
Parade	Wednesdays 8:50 a.m. School Hall
Free Play Group	Wednesdays 9:30 to 11:30am 0 – 5 Years
P&C Meeting	Monday 12 September 2016 7:00 p.m. Staffroom B Block Please attend to support our school
School Fete and Rides	Saturday 13 August 2016 10:00am – 3:00 pm Rides \$28.00 prior to the Fete or \$32.00 on the day. Fairy Floss available too.
Fete Entertainment	10:30am-Dance Display by La Petite Danse School 11:00am-Queens Beach School Choir 12:00pm-Queens Beach School Band 1:00pm-Bowen High School Jazz Band 1:30pm-Cent Sale Draw Begins
School Watch	Please phone 13 17 88 to report anything suspicious on campus

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

WELL DONE - THANK YOU FOR OUR CAR ZONE - WHITSUNDAY REGIONAL COUNCIL

With joy we saw that our school has received **funding for our Drop Off and Pick Up Zone** which also includes some off street parking. **Since 2007**, when we formed a Steering Committee and completed a Safe Travel to School Questionnaire, we have advocated for an area that will enhance the safety of our students at peak times.

A land survey will be completed soon in order to start this project which is **funded for \$400 000**. There are several architect options which our P&C can consider. There is a potential for a separate Pick Up Zone and a 30 space car park. This parking area will also make it easier for our neighbours in Tracey Street.

A **special acknowledgement to Mike Brunner** who was there with advice at the beginning of this project. It is a great achievement for our school community.

ANNUAL FETE - SATURDAY 13 AUGUST
10:00AM - 3:00PM

We are getting excited about our school Fete which is only a couple of sleeps away.

On the day, there will be off street parking available on our school oval closest to C&K.

The **Ride Ticket for \$28** allows one person to ride for 4 hours between 10:00am and 2:00pm. On the day of the Fete this 'all day ticket' will cost \$32.

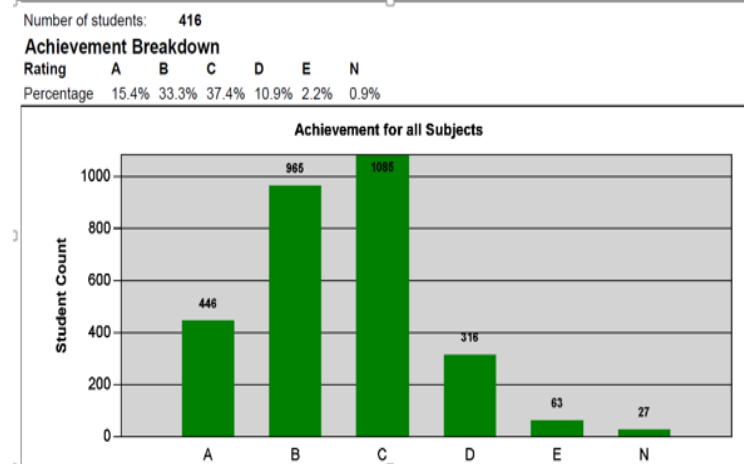
ACHIEVEMENT AND ATTENDANCE UPDATES

Thank you to the families who have returned feedback from our Quadrennial School Review Survey. It is not too late to **'have your say'**. Our Review date has now been set by our Regional Office for **25 October**. We have plenty of time to receive and collate your comments and suggestions.

Some respondents have questioned the impact of Homework on the quality of family life and we will investigate this further. Some people would also like to know how we are progressing towards our current targets. Please see following some of our achievements:-

Attendance - Our target was an aspirational 95% or more - in Semester 1 we achieved 92.5%. The 95% target is being achieved by most families - regrettably it is only a few families that statistically bring our average down.

Academic - In Semester 1 for the whole school we attained the following achievements:-



Our target was to have 35% or more in the Upper Two Bands (U2Bs). However in **June we lifted this expectation to 40% or more**. The totals do not include the students who are on an Individual Curriculum Plan (i.e. 27 ICPs in the school). Example, a child may be in Year 5 and has an ICP for Maths only - at a Year 3 level. Gaps in learning are then addressed and the ICP may no longer be required in future years.

The following table represents the **percentage of A-Bs in English and Maths** in all year levels with the proviso that Prep doesn't use A-Es as descriptors and A-Bs would possibly equate to 'Applying' and 'Making Connections' terminology.

Year Level	% of A-Bs in English	Maths
Prep	42%	63%
Year 1	45%	67%
Year 2	47%	54%
Year 3	41%	38%
Year 4	45%	56%
Year 5	34%	31%
Year 6	40%	45%

NB. This table represents our **A-Bs in the Curriculum Into the Classroom** (C2C Assessments based upon the Australian Curriculum). It may not totally correlate with the Upper 2 Bands in Naplan however it is a valid predictor of academic success.

MAKERSPACE - OFFICIAL LAUNCH IN THE LIBRARY

Our grant for Makerspace (use of technology and coding applied to practical activities) enables our students to have a better understanding about how we make technology work for us. Student leaders were able to host activities and explain how to make technology serve our need for learning, entertainment and practical functions - such as making a Name Badge which has flashing LEDs. Mostly it is just having fun however there is a serious side - we are getting students prepared for employment in industries which have not yet been created.

Well done to the students who conducted the activities and worked hard to explain the purpose and role of components and how coding is involved in making things happen.

STUDENT ABSENCES

If you receive a text message to say your child is absent from school please let the school know a reason either by returning a text message or phoning the school office.

P&C NEWS

The next **P&C Meeting** is on **Monday 12 September 2016** at **7:00pm** in the Staffroom in B Block. Thanks, Deb Ballinger (Treasurer).

QBSS LEARNING TARGETS FOR 2016

- **Attendance** daily – 95% or more
- 40% or more of students in **Top 2 Academic Bands**
- **85% or more with C or Higher in English**

Date	%Attendance	Date	%Attendance
Fri 29 July	90.86%	Fri 5 Aug	92.35%
Mon 1 Aug	88.89%	Mon 8 Aug	91.36%
Tues 2 Aug	92.35%	Tues 9 Aug	93.56%
Wed 3 Aug	93.09%	Wed 10 Aug	95.54%
Thurs 4 Aug	90.57%	Thurs 11 Aug	91.34%

NB Bowen Police Liaison Officer and Bingalie Project Officer support families in increasing their attendance rate from below 80% to 95% or higher.

QUEENS BEACH COMMUNITY KINDERGARTEN

Presents an exciting evening of **TRIVIA** with **incredible PRIZES** At 20° South (upstairs at the Grand View Hotel).

Friday **19th August, 2016** (*Pre-Drinks 6.30pm*) Trivia begins **7:00pm**

Tickets available from: Centrepoint Show Case Jewellers and Bowen Byte Wise.

\$10 per person (6 people per team).

Delicious **G.V. Pizzas** available for purchase throughout the evening.



This fortnight's YCDI focus is "Resilience". This means being able to recover quickly from difficulties and to spring back into shape like a squeezed ball, back to your happy self. Resilience needs to happen **within all contexts- school, home and the community. Here are some valuable tips.**

YCDI FORTNIGHT FOCUS: RESILIENCE TIPS from Rosie Resilience

- ❖ Stay calm when you are upset. Try some exercise or relaxation ideas such as kicking a ball, drawing, have a good laugh, yoga, going for a walk or reading a book.
- ❖ Find fun things to do or find someone to talk to if things aren't going the way you would like. Accept help from those who care about you. Connect with others.
- ❖ Accept people who are unlike you and put up with stuff you don't like.
- ❖ Remember... there is no need to be perfect.
- ❖ Try to figure out problems rather than give up.
- ❖ Set reasonable goals that can be reached.
- ❖ Some things can't be changed so accept them as they are. Don't try the impossible.
- ❖ When something bad happens, ask yourself what you could do differently next time.
- ❖ Take care of yourself.
- ❖ Keep on learning from the setbacks or problems.
- ❖ Follow a daily routine so you know what is happening.
- ❖ *If something is working, do more of it!*

Resilient

Recovering readily from difficulties faced

- I will keep trying until I succeed
- I will not complain if I don't get my way
- I will make the most use of my spare time
- I will not act rashly
- I will change the things that I can and accept the things that I can't

Life is not about how fast you run or how high you climb but how well you bounce.

-Vivian Komori

Ms Collins (YCDI Coordinator)