

8 SEPTEMBER 2016 (Term 3 Week 9)

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	1 st Break Lunch 10.45 to 11.30 a.m. 2 nd 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
Tuckshop Red Day	Tuesday 13 September 2016
Dress Like A Pirate Day	Friday 16 September 2016 Gold Coin Donation-Childhood Cancer Research.
School Holidays	Monday 19 September to Monday 3 October 2016 School Resumes on Tuesday 4 October 2016
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	Monday 3 October 2016
Student Free Day	Monday 17 October 2016
Prep Parent Information Session	Monday 21 November 2016 6:00 to 7:30pm
Prep Open Day	Tuesday 22 November 2016 9:00 to 11:00am
School Watch	Please phone 13 17 88 to report anything suspicious on campus

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

'HAVE YOUR SAY' SURVEY - WHERE

DO WE GO IN THE NEXT 3 YEARS?

Thank you to the families who completed a survey for our Review on 25 October where we will present to our community the direction that our school will travel over the next 3 years.

There is a link to this survey on our school website, please have your say so that your ideas are considered too. Alternatively you can collect a survey form from the Office.

Some of our feedback from families is about Homework and Communication. As a school, we will reflect on your thoughts about the purpose and role of Homework.

In regard to Communication, we have been using the free QSchools App more and notice that now we have 177 users. This app allows us to push a message to you and speeds up the process of you receiving important information as quickly as possible.

If you have positive feedback please share this with others. If you have a concern, then please share that with our staff

members as they are the people who can action your request or help with solutions.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST

Lions Club will offer to Bowen students access to the international contest for The Peace Poster. Entry is only available for students who are aged 11 - 12 -13 years on 15 November 2016.

Contestants are asked to create a poster that visually communicates this year's theme 'A Celebration of Peace'. Each school will judge their students' entry based on the criteria of originality, artistic merit, and portrayal of the theme. The winner at each school will receive a \$30 gift voucher and a winning certificate.

Entries close on Wednesday 26 October and the winner will be announced on Friday 28 October. All Bowen schools' entries will then be judged and the winner's entry will go to Townsville for the District judging. More information will be provided to eligible students.

DID YOU KNOW?

- You can download a free app QSchools to get instant updates on what is happening at school.
- Yes - you can reply to our text messages about student absences.
- All classes enjoyed an Arts Council session to promote Indigenous Culture from a woman's perspective. Students were astonished at the presenter's knowledge! She was very entertaining too. This activity was funded by the school.
- Whitsunday Regional Council is designing plans for our new Car Zone/Parking costing approximately \$400 000. Soil testing has been done.
- We are holding Parent Information Sessions at all the Child Care Centres to ensure a successful transition to Prep in 2017.

FREE QSCHOOLS APP

Get all the latest info on your phone. The Qschools app lets you connect with your state school to get up-to-date information including push notifications, emergency announcements, newsletters, calendar events and news. Visit <http://qld.gov.au/QSchools> and download now.

STUDENT FREE DAY

Just a reminder that Monday 17 October is a Student Free Day.

DRESS LIKE A PIRATE DAY

Students are welcome to dress up like a pirate on Friday 16 September. Please donate a gold coin as we are raising funds towards Childhood Cancer Research.



2017 PREP ENROLMENTS

We are taking Prep enrolments for 2017. Enrolment packages are available from the Office. Please enrol as soon as possible.

PREP PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

We are having a Prep Parent Information Session on Monday 21 November from 6:00 to 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PREP OPEN DAY SESSION

We are having a Prep Open Morning on Tuesday 22 November from 9:00 to 11:00 am for families to visit our Prep Classrooms. All welcome.

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 26 Aug	91.81%	Fri 2 Sept	91.32%
Mon 29 Aug	92.56%	Mon 5 Sept	93.32%
Tues 30 Aug	92.31%	Tues 6 Sept	94.81%
Wed 31 Aug	94.54%	Wed 7 Sept	94.57%
Thurs 1 Sept	95.29%	Thurs 8 Sept	95.56%

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

C&K KINDERGARTEN

C&K Queens Beach Community Kindergarten is celebrating their 5th Annual Open Day on Saturday 10 September between 9:00am to 12:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.



BOWEN SWIMMING CLUB SIGN-ON

Bowen Swimming Club are having a Give It A Go & Fun Day at the Town Pool on Saturday 8 October 2016 from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Entry is free and we are having a sausage sizzle. Come down and give it a try. For those wanting to join it will be \$40 to register for the 2016/2017 season.



GET in2 CRICKET INVITATION SIGN-ON

When: Sunday 9 October

Time: 9:00am

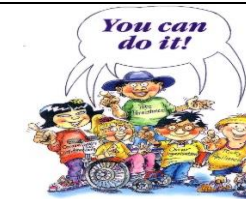
Where: Bowen Sporting Complex

For further information contact Kurt Gaudry on 0417 245 587 or Darren Williams 0411 099 159.

B.T.S JUNIOR TRIATHLON

Saturday 15 October 2016

Check www.whitsundaytriclub.com for more details.



This fortnight's YCDI focus is "Getting Along". This means being on good terms with others and being friendly. Getting along needs to happen **within all contexts- school, home and the community. Here are some valuable tips.**

YCDI FORTNIGHT FOCUS: GETTING ALONG TIPS from Gary Get-a-Long

- If there is a problem, say how you are feeling. When conflict or hurt feelings arise, address the feelings it has caused instead of rousing on the offender e.g., I feel sad when you take toys from me. NOT... You are naughty to take my toys. Don't just blame someone.
- Conflict can provide opportunities to grow and connect. As long as there is no violence or cruel words being used, sometimes it's better to work your differences out without going to an adult straight away. You can resolve your own problems.
- Blend you and your friend's interests together. Figure out how to play games together that include both person's interests e.g., if you like cars and your friend likes playdough, make playdough roads for the cars to drive along.
- If you can't combine your interests, take turns at playing each other's choice. Roll a dice to see. The one with the highest number gets their choice in play for 15 minutes, and then switch to the other one's pick.
- Be a good listener. To start a conversation, it is important to listen first, especially when you are in a group.
- Don't try to change people.
- Keep your sense of humour at home, at school and at community events.
- Give genuine compliments.
- Do things for others.
- Use polite language and manners no matter where you are.
- Use pictures to remind you of family and school rules.



Ms Collins (YCDI Coordinator)