

## 19 October 2017 (Term 4 Week 3)

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 <sup>st</sup> Break Lunch 10.45 to 11.30 a.m. 2 <sup>nd</sup> 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, at Queens Beach State School
Cal Lynch	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Day for Daniel	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct
World Teachers Day	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Family Portraits	Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> November
Swimming Years 4-6	13- 17 November
Bowen District Music Concert 2017	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November, McKenna Hall, 6pm
Swimming Carnival	Mon 20 November – 10 to 12 y/o
Prep Transition Days	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> November Sessions start at 9:30am to 10:40am
Prep Interviews	27 <sup>th</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> November
Presentation Night	Front Beach Soundshell – Thurs 30 Nov
School Watch	Please phone 13 17 88 to report anything suspicious on campus

### PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

I hope everyone has enjoyed this wonderful rainy weather. I know my yard is very thankful for the rain, my mower not so much. A very successful Student Free Day on Monday. Many topics were covered regarding the schools Explicit Improvement Agenda in 2018, reviewed Behaviour Management procedures, Spelling Mastery and Report Card processes.

#### Day for Daniel:

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October is Day for Daniel. We are asking for all students to wear a Red T-Shirt on this day. This will not be a gold coin donation but a day to focus and reflect on Keeping Kids Safe. Classes will discuss child safety on this day, continuing the information delivered to students from the local school based police officer Ross Petersen around the 3 R's.

**Recognise:** Listen to your body clues- hair standing on end, crying, heart pounding, sweaty palms, goose bumps and wobbly knees.

**React:** Scream or run to safe place.

**Report:** Create a safety network of adults who will listen to, believe you and help you. Tell them why you felt unsafe.

#### Christmas Hamper Donations:

The Bowen Neighbourhood Centre has approached the school to start collecting items for some of the families in need in our community. The centre is asking for non-perishable items, toys/gifts, food vouchers and other items to make Christmas a special time for Bowen families. There will be a collection point in the office to drop off items. The donations will be collected Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Any items you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

#### World Teachers Day:

Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> October is World Teachers Day. This is a great opportunity to thank all the teachers' that make a difference in your child/rens life. We are very lucky at Queens Beach SS to have dedicated and professional teachers who go above and beyond in their profession. Thank you for all that you do!

#### Prep Transition Days:

This year we are holding 4 Prep transition days. These will be held on: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of November. The sessions begin at 9:30-10:40. It is important if parents are wanting to their children to attend these days to call the office and register their interest. We will be holding a Prep information night on 20<sup>th</sup> November. Prep interviews on the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November. Ring the office to book your interview time. If you haven't already please enrol for 2018 and if you know someone who wants to enrol do so as soon as possible.

Yours in education

Mark Wrigley

#### DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Our attendance since the holidays has really improved in some classes. We have had 1HG, 2D, 2M, 2S, 3K AND 3W are all averaging over our goal of 85% for this term. Last week we started our attendance trophy and 3K were the class that topped the list for that week with

98.7%. Yesterday I was proud to present the trophy to 2M as their attendance for the last week was 99%, an amazing effort. This trophy will be presented each Wednesday at parade for the class with the highest attendance over the previous 5 school days. It looks like our Year 2 and 3 classes have really set the challenge out to the other Year levels.

#### QBSS LEARNING TARGETS FOR 2017

- 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	%Attenda	Date	%Attendance
Fri 6 October	89.2	Fri 13 October	88.05
Mon 9 October	92.18	Mon 16 October	Puol free
Tues 10 October	91.26	Tues 17 October	93.84
Wed 11 October	93.10	Wed 18 October	90.18
Thurs 12 October	92.64	Thurs 19 October	93.15

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

#### SCHOOL BANKING

Term 4 school banking has kicked off with two new banking prizes being added and the addition of a new Future Savers app that can be downloaded from the app store or google play from 16 Oct. For further information or to join school banking go to the Commonwealth Bank web site or ask at the office.

#### FAMILY PORTRAITS

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Ring the office to book a sitting. Great Value!!! \$15 10" x 13" family portrait in a wooden frame.

#### LUNCH BOXES

Just a reminder that now with play first, eat second lunch boxes are out of refrigeration for a longer period of time. You may like to include items that may help keep your child's lunch cool eg: ice pack; frozen popper, fruit.

#### Bowen SHS Friends of the Concert Band presents BOWEN DISTRICT MUSIC CONCERT 2017

Time: 6pm

Date: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November

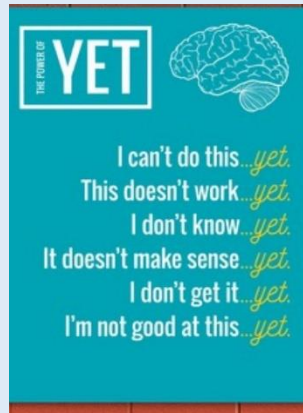
Entry Gold Coin Donation

Venue: Bowen SHS, McKenna Hall

100 Board Refreshments/Snacks/Sausage Sizzle

### FORTNIGHT FOCUS: RESILIENCE

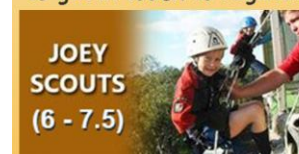
Our final Resilience Lesson for this year summarises all the strategies students have learnt in becoming more resilient. Here is a summary of what they are so you can also practice them at home:

WHAT TO DO TO BE MORE RESILIENT	HOW TO THINK TO BE MORE RESILIENT
Take 3 big deep breaths	Keep things in perspective (use a scale from 1-10) to rate how big the problem is
Find someone to talk to	CATCH YOUR THINKING TRAPS:
Find something fun to do	"I can stand it vs I can't stand it"
Exercise	"Being independent vs needing approval"
Becoming aware of how upset you are (use a scale from 1 – 5) so that you know how to respond	Use "accepting myself vs self downing"
	Use "taking risks vs need to be perfect"
	Use "I can do it vs I can't do it"
	Use "tolerant of others vs being intolerant of others"
	Use "working tough vs I can't be bothered"

## Bowen Joey Scouts 2018



Bowen Scout Group are preparing to reopen our Joey Scout Mob (for girls and boys aged 6 - 8 yo) in 2018. We invite parents who may have children interested to get in touch to register their interest.



You can email: [bowenscoutgroup@outlook.com](mailto:bowenscoutgroup@outlook.com) or send a message via our Facebook page.

It would help with our planning to know your child's name & age. (Also your name & contact details so we can keep you updated!)



An information evening will be held in November 2017