Unfortunately over the weekend, our school was the target of vandalism. Two wheelie bins were set on fire - one destroying a bench in the senior undercover area and one outside of our Year 1 classrooms causing significant damage to the decking. We hope that no further damage will occur and ask our school community to be vigilant and report anything suspicious outside of school hours to School Watch 137788.

Congratulations to Joel Powell for being placed 2nd at the State Cross Country Championships! He is now part of the Queensland team and will be competing at the National Championships in Melbourne in August. Well done Joel!

Our 2015 Walkathon will be held on Friday 14 August commencing at 9.00am. A letter and sponsorship card will be sent home today. The circuit runs from the school's back entrance along Purrumba Court, Carinya Crescent and Bundoora Drive, Karana Downs (well away from the major roads) - a distance of about 2 km.

Children should only approach their families, friends and neighbours (and perhaps parents' work colleagues) for sponsorship which must be entered on the sponsorship card.

Sponsors can either make an immediate donation (eg $5 or $10) or nominate an amount that they will provide for each circuit the children have completed (e.g. $1.00 per circuit). All monies raised will go towards the lights and AV system for the hall.

Once sponsorship money is collected, please return all money and sponsor sheets to the school office money window. Collection days are Monday – Friday 8:00 - 10:30am.

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## Timetable

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**Maximum Distance**

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**Year 2 and 3 Musical Instrument Demonstration Concert**

At 2:00pm on 28 July, students in Year 2 and Year 3 will attend a musical instrument demonstration concert where they will be able to see and hear different instruments. This is the first step in the process for selection for participation in the Instrumental Music program in 2016.

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**Parenting Skills Workshops**

The Parent Skills day time workshops commence on Wednesday 29 July from 9.00-10.30am in the Resource Centre. Parents attending these workshops should sign in at the office just prior to 9.00am on 29 July. If you have not sent back a form indicating your attendance please contact the administration office to let them know that you will be attending.

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**Enrol Now for Prep 2016!**

Enrolments are now being taken for Prep 2016. Please contact the school administration office for more information and to collect an enrolment package. Once completed forms have been returned, children will be offered a place in one of our orientation sessions in the Prep classrooms.

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**Spelling Focus Week 2 Term 3**

Please see the table in the newsletter.

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**From the Deputy Principal - Ruth Kelly**

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Click here to download a Head Lice information sheet.

Click here to download 1437442046_Head-Lice.pdf

Spelling Focus Term 3 Week 2

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| Year 2| s as in seal | Spelling Focus:  
- When a word ends in a silent ‘e’, drop the ‘e’ before adding an ‘ing’. The magic ‘e’ runs away.  
- When a words ends in a double consonant, do not double the last letter before adding an ‘ing’. |
| Year 3| s as in seal | Spelling Focus:  
- Add an ‘es’ to action words ending with an ‘sh’, ‘ch’, ‘ths’, ‘x’, or a ‘z’ to make the present tense.  
- When an action word ends with a consonant followed by a ‘y’, change the ‘y’ to an ‘i’ before adding ‘ing’.  
- Most words add ‘c’ to make the plural. |
| Year 4| s as in seal | Focus on graphemes and blends s, ss, se, x(k), c |
| Year 5| s as in seal | Spelling Focus:  
- An apostrophe (‘) is also used to create a contraction, indicating where a letter or letters have been left out.  
- Homophones are words that have the same sound but a different meaning and spelling. |
| Year 6| s as in seal | Focus on graphemes and blends s, ss, se, x(k), c |

Library News

The Library Book Sale held last term was a very successful venture and we were able to find homes for many of the books. Thank you to everyone who supported this sale; we raised just over $85 which will be used to purchase new resources for the library.

Book Week Celebrations

This year’s Book Week theme is “Books Light Up Our World”. To celebrate this event, all Mt Crosby students will have the opportunity to dress up as their favourite book character on Thursday August 20. Due to the incredible response last year, we will be holding two Book Week dress up parades - Prep – Year 2 will take place at 9:00am and the Year 3 - Year 6 will take place at 11:40am. A “best dressed” student from each year level will win a prize. Parents and friends are most welcome to join us for these parades.

Blind Date with a Book

Once again this year, I will be offering students from Year 3 to Year 6 the chance to go on a “Blind Date” with a book. Interested students will submit a form stating what types of books they like to read, favourite authors, series they are currently reading or are wanting to read etc.

The link below will take you to the form children will need to complete to participate. There will be copies available in the library or it can be printed at home. Once completed, the forms need to be submitted to the library staff and a mysterious book the student may like to read will be chosen. Forms must be submitted by Friday 14 August to allow time to choose an appropriate book for each participating child. Books can be picked up anytime during Book Week (August 24 – 28).

The Preloved Book Sale

This year Mt Crosby will run a Preloved Book Sale in place of The Great Book Swap. Money from the sale of the preloved books will be donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Children will have the opportunity to donate books to the Preloved Book Sale and also to purchase the books donated.
The price of books will be no more than $1. The date for this event has yet to be finalised but it will be early in September. More information will be supplied closer to the event.

Helen Handley-Stuart
Teacher Librarian

Click here to download an application form for a Blind Date with a Book.

Click here to download 1437437471_BlindDateApplicationForm.pdf

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Recruitment for 2016 Strings & Band Program

On Tuesday 28 July students in Year 2 & Year 3 will be attending a concert in the parade area from 2:00pm. Senior Instrumental Music students will be demonstrating string and band instruments that students can apply to learn in 2016. Year 2 students are eligible to try out for the 2016 Strings program and Year 3 students are eligible to try out for the 2016 Band Program.

The 2016 Strings Program has positions available for Violin, Viola and Cello.

The 2016 Band Program has positions available for Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium and Percussion.

Expression of Interest Forms for both the Strings and Band Program will handed out to class teachers at the Demonstration Concert on Tuesday 28 July.

Brass Instruments: Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium. Please check out these Youtube videos to see how awesome brass instruments actually are. (Just as a side note, all instruments are loud when students first start out, not just brass instruments.)

Trumpet: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZUZyoVe7mnQ
Trombone: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1YRhacrGLGEs
Euphonium: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5b4jiSz4i70

Do you have instruments to sell? At the end of the year, parents will be looking for second-hand instruments to buy. If you have a second-hand violin, viola, flute, trumpet, clarinet, saxophone, trombone, glockenspiel/ drums that you wish to sell, please make an A4 flyer, with a photo of the instrument, your contact details, and price and email to Sharon McInnes smcin38@eq.edu.au. This information will be passed on to parents at the Instrumental Music Parent Information night in Term 4.

Concert: Live at the Jazz Club - Ipswich City Big Band 7:00pm, 1 Annie St Kangaroo Point. $25 http://www.brisbanejazzclub.com.au for bookings. Mrs McInnes will be performing with the Ipswich City Big Band this Friday at the Jazz Club.

Chappy Corner

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A big thanks to those who have helped make Milo Mondays such a success – the local chappy committee, those families who have donated items and my amazing troupe of Year 5 students: Cassia, Seth, Koby and Willow.

What’s Happening This Week:

Milo Mornings - don’t forget your $1 for a warm cup of Milo or hot chocolate on Monday.

Coffee Connect – calling all parents and carers to stop for a quick cuppa before heading up to fetch your children from school. Held every Tuesday at the Tuckshop.

Rainbow Rangers - will be out in the playground with some new equipment and ready to teach the juniors some games. Meet under the large tree above the year 3 playground.

Chappy Niki

I am grateful for ... the people who make me

...
Garden Club

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“CALLING ALL GREEN THUMBS”

Thank you to our special volunteers who have been working hard this week, planting seedlings to sell at the Family Fun Day.

The children are very excited to be involved in the whole process, from planting a seedling to selling at market.

We hope everyone will pop in to our stall at the Sunday Family Fun Day, say hi, learn a bit more about the school’s Garden Club and buy some grown with love, vegetables and herbs.

“Plant Dreams, Pull Weeds and Grow a Happy Life”

Happy gardening!

P&C Association

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Acting Ops Manager: Renate Duckridge

Before School Care: 7.45am - 8.30am
Breakfast served till 7.50am
After School Care: 3.30pm
Afternoon tea provided.
Vacation Care 7am - 6.30pm
Breakfast & Afternoon tea service.

Wednesday: Order lunch online by 9am
Thursday & Friday: Order lunch on line or at the counter by 9am
Open every Tuesday during term 8.30 - 10am
Open 1st and 2nd break Wednesday, Thursday and Friday during term.

Counter lunch orders can only be placed Thursdays & Fridays
Shop in person Order online Order at school admin

For more information on fundraising and volunteering opportunities please contact the P&C office. We are always happy to help.

Many hands make light work

Diary Dates - 2015 P&C Meeting Schedule

The proposed meeting dates for 2015 are detailed below. Please check the newsletter for updates.

Becoming a member of the P&C is a great way to find out what is happening, have your say, and be a part of a team of people that can make a difference to the school.

P&C meetings are held once a month, which is perfect for busy people who would still like to be involved in their children’s school but are unable to attend other school events.

Next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 28 July in the School staffroom commencing at 7pm.

Everyone is welcome we hope to see you there.
25 August 7pm - in the *new* Meeting Room
27 October 7pm - in the Meeting Room
24 November 7pm - in the Meeting Room

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The P & C has reviewed their requirements and the following position is now open to merit selection.

P&C Operations Manager

The Operations Manager will report directly to the P&C President and will be responsible for overseeing the Uniform Shop and Tuckshop staff and operations.

Task Description:

• Oversee the P&C's retail operations to:
  - ensure budgets are maintained through predictable expenditure and income
  - ensure Uniform Shop and Tuckshop Conveners receive adequate training and support
  - ensure all P&C activities comply with P&C operational, accounting and record keeping requirements
• Bookkeeping for all P&C activities including OSHC, Tuckshop, Uniform Shop, Fundraising and general operations including MYOB data entry, bank reconciliations, electronic payment file preparation, cheque writing, invoicing, financial report preparation and input into budget preparation.
• Liaise with the P&C Executive Committee and provide sufficient information to enable the P&C Association to make informed and timely decisions.
• Prepare reports and attend Executive and General Meetings as required
• Liaise with governing and advisory bodies regarding all P&C matters, staff employment conditions
• Build positive relationships with all stakeholders both within the school and the wider community
• Ensure the P&C Association runs as a professional, well-operated organization
• Ensure compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements
• Provide assistance to other members of the P&C Association, school and wider community as required.

Position Requirements:

• Retail experience including staff performance management, stock control, and purchasing.
• Bookkeeping skills and experience using MYOB and advanced skills in Microsoft Office programs including Word, Outlook and Excel.
• Familiarity with Workplace Health and Safety requirements and regulations
• Excellent interpersonal, written and reporting skills

Hours of Work:

• Position is casual and paid hourly. Hours will differ from week to week depending on work schedule it is expected that maximum hours will not exceed 12 hours per week during term time.
• Vacation work will be as required.
• Attendance at evening meetings as required (currently one Tuesday per month)

To express your interest in this position please respond by 21st July to pandc@mtcrosbys.eq.au by forwarding your CV and cover letter.

Sunday Family Fun Day

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The P&C are proud to present...

SUNDAY FAMILY FUNDAY

Date: Sunday 16 August 2015
Time: 11:00am – 4:00pm
Theme: Country Fair

STALL HOLDERS: It’s very exciting to see the enormous amount of support the Sunday Family Fun Day is receiving again this year. There have already been numerous enquiries
from the community to hold a stall at the event. If you have expressed an interest, you still need to complete and return your Nomination Form to secure your site. Have you considered holding a cake stall, selling toffee apples, craft items, fresh produce including fruit & vegetables or eggs. The list of stall ideas at our country fair is endless, and only limited by your imagination. Limited spaces are still available. Why not book your stall today? For more information please email mcssmarket@gmail.com.

ARMBANDS: Armbands are your official ticket to unlimited rides at the Sunday Family Fun Day. Order forms and payment envelopes were distributed to the students via their classroom teachers last week. Order now and save: Pre-paid armbands can be ordered at a discounted price of $25.

Simply complete the money envelope with child/children’s details, include payment of cash or credit card (include 3 digit security number on the back of the card) and return to the locked silver P&C box in the school office. Receipts will be issued and sent home as proof of purchase. Armbands will be available for collection at the Rides Booth on the day, upon presentation of receipts. Alternately, on the day of the event, armbands will cost $30 or $5 for a single ticket.

POSTCARD ART COMPETITION: Mount Crosby State School P&C Association, along with event sponsors Colleges Crossing Family Practice, are proud to present the inaugural Postcard Art Competition. Students can choose between one of three mediums, painting, drawing or photography to create a postcard sized masterpiece and be in the running for some fabulous prizes.

Entry forms were distributed to classrooms last week. All work will be displayed in an exhibition in the new school hall and winners announced at 3pm during the festivities of the Sunday Family Fun Day. Have fun creating! Remember, you have to be in it to win it!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: If you would like to be a part of the team to help to organise this spectacular event, or are available to help out on the day please contact Community Liaison Officer, Michelle Badham mcss.pandc.clo@gmail.com for more information. A list of specific jobs will be available soon. Thank you to Deanna & Andrew Tarvit, Rebecca Evans, Sarah Richardson, Amy Stapleton, Ilona Baron, Carolyn Kleesh, Debbie Snyman, Amy Fulton, Laigee Bell and Vicki Johnson for offering to lend a hand.

ENTERTAINMENT: Included in the festivities of the Sunday Family Fun Day, throughout the day there will be a variety of live entertainment. Some performances already confirmed include: Westside Youth Theatre, Allstar Dance Company and the Lakeside Bootscoters, who are very keen to get the crowd involved in some fun line dancing.

“Calling all talented people!” If you are a performer and would like to showcase your talents and be a part of the entertainment on the day, we would like to hear from you. Please email mcssmarket@gmail.com for more information.

Sunday Family Fun Day Sponsors

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SUNDAY FAMILY FUN DAY SPONSORSHIP PAGE

On behalf of the Mount Crosby State School P&C Association, we would like to sincerely thank the following sponsors, for their generous donations and support of our Sunday Family Fun Day fundraising event.

Inaugural Postcard Art Competition Sponsor:

COLLEGES CROSSING FAMILY PRACTICE – 5 successful entrants in the mediums, painting and drawing or photography will receive a $14 admission voucher to inflatable World in Ipswich plus a $20 voucher to Riot Art & Soul to the value of $34.00 each. A prize of a $25 voucher to Linemight Cinema, will be awarded as a “Lucky Draw” prize, open to everyone who entered the competition. TOTAL VALUE $385.00

The following businesses have kindly donated the following raffle prizes:

WESTSIDE YOUTH THEATRE - One term of Drama lessons to be taken by December 2015. Classes develop confidence and creativity. The curriculum focuses on characterisation, improvisation, play building, group-devised theatre and script work. The students are given an opportunity to showcase their skills in two performances throughout the year. TOTAL VALUE: $100.00. Contact - Yvette Tattam M: 0405 349 621 E: yvette@westsideyouththeatre.com.au

WESTSIDE YOUTH THEATRE - A donation of $25 towards a supervised children’s theatre workshop. TOTAL VALUE $25.00

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ALLSTAR DANCE COMPANY - One term of dance lessons to be taken by December 2015. Also a day at Allstar Dance Camp being held in the first week of the September school holidays at the Mt Crosby Hall 9.00am - 3.00pm. Day Camp is an opportunity to learn many different styles of dance, arts and craft, games, movies. Value $30. No dance experience necessary.
TOTAL VALUE $129.00. Contact - Dawne Werner
P: 3202 6242 W: www.allstardanceqld.com

GRASSHOPPER SOCCER - One term of soccer lessons to be taken by December 2015 at a location within the Brisbane West Region. We are a community-based Australian soccer organisation that aims to teach children aged 2-12, the basics of playing soccer in a fun, social and non-competitive environment.
TOTAL VALUE UP TO $145.00. Contact - Scott Butson
M: 0404 807 130 W: www.grasshoppersoccer.com.au

DEBBIE’S LEARN TO SWIM - One term of swimming lessons to be taken by 31st July 2016. Debbie’s Learn to Swim is a home-based swimming school which has been operating in Karana Downs for over 10 years. We offer classes to suit all ages and abilities including Parents and Babies, Learn to Swim, Squad and personalised classes to cater for children with disabilities.
TOTAL VALUE $175.00. Contact - Debbie Robertson M:0428 192 092 W:www.debbieslearntoswim.com.au

DO-RE-MI MUSIC FOR CHILDREN - One term of music tuition, to be taken by December 2016, at home-based music studio located in Churwar. do-re-mi children’s music classes offer enjoyable weekly educational music classes for children aged 0-5 years. Our music classes develop physical, emotional, social and musical skills in a fun environment full of singing, moving, dancing and playing percussion instruments.
TOTAL VALUE $100.00. Contact - Alison Pomerenke
M: 0448 848 826 W: www.do-re-mi.com.au

TIME ON BIKES
Prize 1 - 4 week/4000 km Honda Goldwing Hire, valued at $1,400
Prize 2 - 6 week new rider gradual size package valued at $900
This consists of the following:
1 week Honda CB125E
1 week KTM Duke 200
2 weeks Kawasaki Z300
2 weeks Honda CB500 or Suzuki SV650
Prize 3 - 1 week bike hire up to 650cc valued at $150
Prize 4 - 4 hour Saturday bike hire up to 650cc valued at $50
Prizes are transferable and may be exchanged for alternative bike hire to same value. Terms and conditions outlined on voucher apply - to be taken by 30 September 2016.
Time on Bikes is a local, family operated, motorcycle hire business. Our growing fleet of motorcycles, caters for all skill levels. We offer a great value motorcycle hire for learning, developing, returning and occasional riders.
TOTAL VALUE: $2500. Contact - Brooke Sinclair
facebook.com/TimeonBikes P:0419 791 186

A SPECIAL TO TIME ON BIKES

Woolworths Earn & Learn
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From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your local school or at your local Woolworths.

This is the easiest and simplest way to support our school. We hope everyone gets behind it.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers = valuable education resources for our school!

A HUGE thank you to Kim Druve for kindly offering to co-ordinate the Earn & Learn program again this year. If anyone has a little bit of spare time, perhaps while watching your favorite television show of an evening, to stick some stickers onto the sheets, please let me know.

mcss.pandc.cl@gmail.com

As they say “Many hands make light work.”

Entertainment Books

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Still only $65 the NEW 2015 | 2016 Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and surrounds Entertainment™ Membership is packed with over $20,000 worth of valuable offers you can use right away, valid up until 1 June 2016! See what’s inside.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased an Entertainment book or digital membership. Your purchase has contributed to raising almost $20,000 for the school to date.

20% of every membership sold contributes to our school.

ORDER FROM US TODAY

Tuckshop News

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SUSHI DAY- Wednesday 5th August

Back by popular demand, the very popular tuckshop special SUSHI!

$6.50 for twin pack of long rolls (approx 12cm each)

Pre-ordering required

Orders need to be in by Friday 31st July – for both Online and Over Counter

Fillings available:
Avocado
Chicken, lettuce & mayo
Chicken teriyaki
Tuna & mayo

http://epublisher.net.au/public/newsletter/ViewNewsletter?u=mLemEEiUguNnKmgP...
California roll
Salmon Avocado

Don’t miss out and be disappointed, place your sushi order today!

DONATION REQUEST
Stools: If anyone has a spare backless bar stool they are no longer using, tuckshop would be happy to take it off your hands. The stools are for the use of our hard working volunteers.

If you would like to know more about helping out in Tuckshop please contact our Convener, Jodie Coutts, on 3813 2257. All help is welcome and very much appreciated.

** Don’t forget to update your child’s class details online**

Uniform Shop
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For your convenience we have plenty of Warm up Jackets and Fleecy Zip-up Jackets in stock and available for purchase.

Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday during term from 8.30 - 10am. Order forms are also available from the school admin office and can be returned to the P&C mailbox, or order online at www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au. Orders can even be delivered to your child’s class.

For more information regarding school uniforms please contact Convener Michelle West on 3813 2259.

Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) News
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WOW! What a busy and fun-filled first week back for Term 3 has been!

As a trial in Term 3, Out of School Hours Care we will be opening at 6:30am every morning! An increasing number of families have expressed a need to drop their children off earlier than 7am to ensure they get to work on time. To help support these families, we have started opening our doors half an hour earlier at 6:30am. If you also require an earlier start, please let us know, we do have some vacancies and are happy to help!!

Inspired by a week of super chilly mornings, we are now providing HOT breakfasts at least twice every week. The children thoroughly enjoyed devouring Pancakes and Milo one morning and Bacon and Baked Beans on Toast the other. We have also been preparing warm, hearty meals in the afternoons. On the menu this week we enjoyed Potato Soup, Curried Sausages, Creamy Chicken Pasta and Sizzler’s Famous Cheese Toast. Yummy!

We are all looking forward to more exciting activities planned for the rest of the term. In particular, we are hoping to integrate an Active After School Care Sports Programme, hosted by our qualified staff. Basketball and Soccer are the two popular choices at the moment, stay tuned....

Please Note: We have a HUGE amount of unnamed lost property that miss their owners. Please ensure you name all your children’s clothing so that in the case of it being left behind or if it mistakenly goes home with another child, it can be easily returned.

If you require casual or permanent bookings please call Angela on: 07 3201 0841 or email: mtcrosbyoshc@bigpond.com

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program
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Rewarding Regular Savers with Amazing Prizes

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win
Term 3 sees new rewards released – Glow in the Dark Solar System and Cosmic Light Beam Torch. CBA have a competition for school bankers this term also. Just make 3 deposits this term to be automatically entered into the competition. More details are available in the brochure which can be accessed by the link below.

The invisible ink pens are currently on back order so there may be a delay in receiving this reward. It was great to see so many bankers remembering their deposit books for the first week back.

**Any queries? Mikhaila can help! msjrobertson@bigpond.com or 0409 585 899**

Click here to download the Prize Portal brochure.


OPEN DAY 2015

Sunday 2nd August
10.00am-1.30pm

This special event allows prospective parents and students for 2016 and beyond to see the school in action.

Enrolment Interview bookings can be made on the day.
Enrolment interviews for Year 7 will take place on Saturday August 15.

Mt Crosby Historical Fact

Did you know?

High on the side of Mt Crosby, looking out over the town and its works, is a strange dark monument to the earliest days of Brisbane’s water industry. Standing several metres tall, strong arms at its side, it would have been visible from most parts of the town before the trees grew back to reclaim the view. Despite its fine lines and sculptured look this is no official monument, but rather, it’s a remnant from an age when engineering pride was expressed with a crowning pièce de résistance.

Although redundant since the twenties, this substantial piece has survived untouched for more than 120 years and no one, it seems, has ever suggested removing it. And that - be assured - is high praise for any old thing. Perhaps it’s because of its stately position and peerless vintage, or perhaps there’s a simpler, more practical reason - it was just too darn heavy to get down from there. In any case, the Brisbane foundry that cast this piece gave it enough style to last one hundred years and more, and enough people love it to make it the poster child of the Mount Crosby Historical Society.

But what is the “monument” on our hill? To give it its correct name, it is the Standpipe. In 1891, it was the loveliest part of the new Brisbane River water supply scheme and to its height, hundreds of feet above the river, millions of gallons of water were pushed daily by the mighty steam engines of the pumping station below. When the new Mount Crosby reservoir was full, the excess water could be directed to Brisbane’s Gold Creek reservoir; but to do this required an extra fifty feet of head (or height). The extra height was achieved by directing the flow away from the reservoir and up this wonderful standpipe.
With every rotation of the great pumps the water would rise above the arms of the standpipe and, then falling, begin the long journey to Brisbane’s Gold Creek reservoir. If you were there you would have heard nothing but soothing cascades of water keeping time with the flailing pump engines which, four hundred feet below, were creating a hot and roaring devil of a place to work.

The Queenslander seemed impressed too. They wrote “from the water [the river], may be seen the head of Mt Crosby, crowned with the reservoir of concrete, [and] marked by the huge black standpipe shown in our illustration”.

I like the Standpipe’s simple yet practical lines, and I’m sure that the engineers of its day did too. There are many ways to achieve its function that are less interesting, but here the engineers chose to overdo it a little. The flared top, which ought to never see water wasted upon it, has been created with artistic lines so that even this mishap would be reduced to a pleasing spill.

PS You can see the standpipe when the historical society next holds a walk up Mount Crosby (details will be on our website mtcrosbyhistory.org.au).

Col Hester
"The Standpipe as it looks today"

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**SCORPION TENNIS**

**CLASSES STARTING TERM 3**

Mount Crosby State School

- Prep Grade 1 to Beginners
  - Monday 7.45am - 8.45am
  - Wednesday 3.00pm - 4.00pm
- Intermediate
  - Tuesday 7.45am - 8.45am
- Intermediate to Advanced
  - Thursday 7.45am - 8.45am
  - Friday 7.45am - 8.45am
- Private lessons by appointment
- Saturday classes (all levels, from Prep) available at Centenary SHS
- Fixtures Competition
  - Saturday 9.30am - 11.30am
- Professional trainers in attendance

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Phone 3812 3133 for an appointment or book online

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## Dates to Remember

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Money Window Opening Times:
8:00am to 10:00am only - Monday to Friday