ENROLMENTS 2016

Although we are still six months out, we need to begin the enrolment process for next year to ensure that we have the most accurate predictions for classes in 2016. Currently, we have sent out acceptances for enrolment to over 70 Prep students. We need to ensure that we have all of our “in catchment” enrolments (residential property within our catchment boundaries and/or siblings of current students), so that we can start to make offers to “out of catchment” enrolments. This process will begin prior to the September holidays.

To assist us, we ask parents to:

• Firstly, ensure that you have lodged an enrolment form for students beginning Prep in 2016.
• Secondly, advise families known to you who have Prep age children for 2016 (within our catchment area) to lodge an enrolment form.
• Finally, if you have a child currently at Mt Crosby State School this year and they will NOT be returning in 2016 please notify the office.

Thank you for your assistance.

ABSENCES

Staff have a legal responsibility to record attendance in the morning and after lunch. The rolls are a legal document and notes for absences must be retained.

If your child is absent, please phone the Absence Line 07 38132260, email absences@mtcrosbyss.eq.edu.au or advise the teacher by letter upon his / her return to school. In the case of a prolonged absence, please telephone the school office as soon as possible. It is a requirement of Education Queensland that all absences from school be explained and be recorded on the school database. A member of the Administration team follows up unexplained absences.
EXHIBITION HOLIDAY
Local schools have only one day off for the exhibition this year. Mt Crosby State School which is in the Brisbane City Council area will have the Wednesday 12 August as a holiday.

Monday October 5 is the Labour Day Holiday and October 19 is scheduled as a Student Free Day in Term Four.

STAFF UPDATE
We would like to wish Mrs Kerry Stewart (3/4SM) an enjoyable and well-earned break while on Long Service Leave for the remainder of the term. Mr Vince Connolly will be taking over her classroom duties.

FACILITIES UPDATE
Hall - I had my first tour of the new hall late last week. What a fabulous asset it will be to the school. As it enters its final stages before handover, I would like to congratulate all those involved on this project. I am sure the community are going to be suitably impressed.

Glen Robertson
Principal

From the Deputy Principal - June Riley

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EARN AND LEARN
Thank you to everyone who is supporting the Earn and Learn promotion by collecting the stamps when you shop at your local Woolworths. Collection of stamps will continue until 8 September. You can put your completed sheets in the collection box in the administration block or the box for our school at your local Woolworths.

SENIOR BAND SILKSTONE EISTEDDFOD DATE CHANGE
A letter with all relevant information went home with students participating in the Silkstone Eisteddfod on Monday 3 August regarding the change of date from Thursday 20 August to Wednesday 19 August. Any parent requiring additional information please contact Mrs Sharon McInnes, instrumental Music Teacher.

WALKATHON - FRIDAY 14 AUGUST 2015

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JUNIOR AND SENIOR SCHOOL CONCERTS
The school concerts have been postponed until term 4 to allow time for practices to take place in the new hall and for lighting and chairs to be sourced for the concert.

Dates:
Junior Concert Prep to Year 2: Tuesday 20 October
Commencing: 6:30pm

Senior Concert Year 3 to Year 6: Thursday 22nd October
Commencing: 6:30pm

Further information regarding ticket sales and all other relevant information will be sent home later this term.

SPELLING FOCUS FOR TERM 3 WEEK 4
Please see the table in this newsletter.

Kind regards
The Junior Boys played in the SEQ Championship playoffs on Friday against Moggill State School at Bellbowrie. Despite their best efforts, Mount Crosby went down 2 – 5 to a more experienced and skilled team.

Congratulations to the boys on representing the school so proudly and playing hard all the way to the final whistle. Thank you to the parents that helped with the transport. A fine experience I am sure the team wishes to repeat next year!

Craig Seymour
Coach

The children have been participating in the Footsteps Dance program for the last few weeks and are warming their bodies up on these cool winter mornings. Year 3 have been performing to Taylor Swift, Justice Crew and even Back Street Boys. We can’t wait to perform in the school concert later this year in the new Hall.
Fiona Patterson
Teacher – 3P

Library News

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BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Hopefully, everyone has begun working out what to wear for the Book Week dress up parades. This year’s Book Week theme is “Books Light Up Our World”. Our parades will take place on Thursday August 20 with a Prep – Year 2 parade beginning at 9:00am and a Year 3 - Year 6 parade taking place at 11:40am. A child from each year level will win a prize for being the best dressed book character.

BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK

Students from Year 3 to Year 6 have the opportunity to go on a “Blind Date” with a book again this year. 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 - Blind Date Application Form. 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).

SPECIAL EVENT FOR CHILDREN HELD AT THE STATE LIBRARY OF QLD

Saturday 22 August at the State Library of Queensland between 10:00 and 1:00.

Join members of the Brisbane Illustrators Group and Write Links at the State Library of Queensland for a series of specially curated activities for children, young people and their families.

In the Knowledge Walk, help us create characters and images for two stories written especially for the occasion by Queensland writers.

In the Parlour, there will be illustrators demonstrating their skills using both traditional and digital methods, including Lucia Masciullo, award winning illustrator of Come Down Cat!, Family Forest and the successful series Our Australian Girl.

Join the fun in The Corner with storytelling sessions by local picture book authors Andrew King and Peter Taylor who will bring their picture books to life with the help of special guests Bear Bot and Creepy Crocodile.

Helen Handley-Stuart
Teacher Librarian

Music Notes

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Wow! The attendance at rehearsal was so much better this morning with only 2 students missing. It was such a positive way to start the week and we were able to have a productive rehearsal as it was clear that most students had practised at home during the week. I am very impressed! Let’s
Jennifer Hemmings
String Instrumental Teacher

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC - YEAR 2 & YEAR 3 RECRUITMENT FOR 2016

I hope the Instrumental Demonstration Concert inspired many students to consider trying out for the Instrumental Music in 2016. Last week, the Year 2 and Year 3 students should have received an information brochure and an Expression of Interest Form. If your child did not receive one, please check with your class teacher or ask at the office for another copy.

Please remember the EXPERSSION OF INTEREST FORMS are due in at the office NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 7 AUGUST. Only students who have returned their forms by this date will be considered in the selection process.

YOUTUBE CLIPS OF WOODWIND INSTRUMENTS AVAILABLE 2016

Please see the links below.

SENIOR BAND – SILKSTONE EISTEDDFOD

Change of date to Wednesday 19 August - Notes were sent home this week and are due back in to the office by Friday 7 August.

Sharon McInnes
Senior Instrumental Music Teacher - Band
smcin38@eq.edu.au

Talent Quest
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This year’s Talent Quest will be open to children in Years 4, 5 & 6. There are four categories – Dancing, Instrumental, Singing and Variety – children are only allowed to enter one category. Nominations will be open from 7 – 14 August and forms will be available during that period of time from the office. Lyrics of the songs used in the Dance & Singing category must be submitted to Miss O’Sullivan before the nomination is accepted – this can be done anytime from now on.

Friday 21 August – Year 4, 5 & 6 – Dancing & Instrumental
Friday 28 August – Year 4, 5 & 6 – Singing & Variety

Any inquiries to Miss O’Sullivan or Mrs Riley.

Suzanne O’Sullivan
Music Teacher
Chappy Corner
Thank you to all who have generously donated items for Milo Monday.

Coffee Connect will be held on Tuesday from 2.30pm from the Tuckshop. All are welcome.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

*How to help kids manage their feelings*

Extract by Dr Michael Grose, parentingideas.com.au

It's official!

It's official!

Emotions are now part of the parenting and educational mainstream!

For some time they've been relegated as a sideshow to the main events of discipline, confidence-building, character building, and lately, resilience.

Not now.

The recently released movie Inside Out gives life to emotions in a fun, assessable way. It's a wonderful demonstration of why we must put emotional intelligence front and centre in our parenting and teaching. The quickest pathway to happiness and success is the acceptance and recognition of feelings.

This is not to say that we ignore children's poor behaviour, neglect to set limits or not ask anything of them when they've experienced hardship at school. Accepting and recognising emotions is an added layer in our interactions with kids, which may well be the missing link for building cooperation, connection and resilience.

Emotions are messy. They can be loud. They can be hidden. They so often interrupt our well-organised schedules. “What do you mean you’re sad? We’re off to watch a movie. It’s a happy time!” Emotions are hard to control and difficult to see. Like slippery eels swimming in a dam, you know that they are down there somewhere but it’s hard to figure just what they are doing.

When you console and contain the hurt of primary school aged child who throws himself at your feet howling that everyone hates him, you are doing emotional labour.

Staring down a teenager who looks you straight in the eye while spitting out “I hate you!” because you’ve denied their request to go out, is hard emotional labour. Parents do emotional labour all the time. That’s one of the reasons parenting teens can be so draining.

Accepting kids’ emotions means we need to listen to them. We need to be mindful of their feelings as well as their behaviours and thoughts, which is what most parents and teachers are conditioned to do. We’ve built a broad vocabulary around behaviour management featuring terms such as ‘consequences’, ‘limits and boundaries’ and ‘time out’ to name a few.

The limits of many parents’ emotional vocabularies are matched by the limitations in method as well. Most parents when asked can provide plenty of ways to raise a well-behaved child but I suspect many would struggle if asked to name three or more ways to build their children’s emotional smarts. This is not a criticism but an acknowledgement of lack of training.

So where do we start exploring this new parenting frontier. Here are five ideas to help you explore the alien landscape of kids’ emotions:

1. **Listen first.** When your child fusses and fumes about some wrong-doing or hurt they’ve experienced clear your mind and listen. Avoid trying to fix the situation. Show understanding and compassion. There is no better feeling then being understood.

2. **Contain rather than manage** (let your kids do the managing). Children’s behaviour can become tangled up in upsets and disappointments. It’s hard to separate their behaviour from their feelings. Sometimes as a loving, caring adult you just have to soak up their feelings, and give them the time and space to soothe their own souls. We don’t have to do that for them.

3. **Know that emotions can be pleasant and unpleasant.** We often place value judgements on emotions by saying some emotions are good or positive (happy, motivated, energised) while some are bad or negative (sad, worried, sullen). Avoid passing judgement in such ways. Recognise that emotions are pleasant or unpleasant and that all emotions are acceptable, whereas some behaviours (such as hurting someone when you are angry) are unacceptable.

4. **Build a vocabulary around emotions.** Just as feelings have words so too there are names and terms for emotional intelligent parenting method. For instance, ‘I-messages’ are a type of communication used by parents and adults who take an emotions first approach.
5. Help your kids recognise, then regulate emotions. Ever told a child to calm down only to see their emotions escalate? Kids, like adults, need to recognise their feelings before they can regulate their emotional states, and that’s not easy. Emotional recognition is a complex process that takes practice. Even when we are good at it we don’t always get it right. Learning to recognise your feelings is a continuous process that’s best started when young, before the ups and downs of adolescence becomes a reality.

When emotional intelligence becomes part of your family’s DNA then it will be passed down from generation to generation. You’ll know it’s had generational impact when your children identify you, their mum or dad, as the person who trained them in the skills of emotional intelligence. How cool will that be!

Chappy Niki
School Chaplain

Spelling Focus Term 3 Week 4

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Book Club

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Book Club orders can only be returned to Scholastic within a 30 day period.

Lost Property

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lost property container is overflowing!

If your child has misplaced any items of clothing or other personal items would you please take the
time to call into the school to check the lost property box or alternatively ask you child to do so.

Garden Club

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“CALLING ALL GREEN THUMBS”

Over the last couple of weeks we have been potting plants in preparation
for the Sunday Family Fun day. This week we took a break from this to
harvest our very first attempt at growing a sweet potato vine. The
children had great fun digging for the sweet potatoes - you would have
thought they were digging for treasure! We were quite pleased with our
results. The children took some of the smaller potatoes home with them
and hopefully this week we will cook up the rest of our harvest and bring
it in for the children to taste.

The garden is starting to look a bit bare at the moment but with the
weather warming up we will be looking forward to planting out our seedlings and seeds for
spring. It’s our favourite time of year in the garden.

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

Happy gardening!

P&C Association

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P&C Business Opening Hours and Contact Details

P&C OFFICE
Operations Manager: Tara Doellinger
Email: pandc@mtcrosbyss.eq.edu.au

Community Liaison Officer: Michelle Badham
Email: mcss.pandc.clo@gmail.com
Phone: 3813 2222

The P&C Office is currently located in the Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) building until the end
of August while the construction of the hall is being completed.
If you have an idea to share or would like more information on fundraising events and volunteering opportunities, please contact the P&C office. Everyone's contribution is invaluable and sincerely appreciated.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC) - Director: Angela Owen
Phone: 3201 0841
Email: mtcrosbyoshc@bigpond.com

Before School Care: 6:30am - 8:30am - Breakfast served until 7:50am
After School Care: 3:00pm - 6:30pm - Afternoon tea provided
Vacation Care 7:00am - 6:30pm - Breakfast & Afternoon tea service

Bookings are essential.

Limited places fill up fast so don't hesitate to contact Angela to secure your child's place in before and after school care.

TUCKSHOP - Convenor: Jodie Coutts
Phone: 3813 2257
Web: www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

Open: First and second break, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
Ordering: Wednesday, order lunch online only by 9am
Thursday & Friday order lunch online or at the counter by 9am

UNIFORM SHOP - Convenor: Michelle West
Phone: 3813 2259
Web: www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

Open every Tuesday during term 8:30 - 10:00am
Shop in person, order online or at school administration.

Diary Dates - 2015 P&C Meeting Schedule

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 25 August in the meeting room of the NEW HALL, commencing at 7pm.

Dates and location for upcoming P&C meetings:
22 September 7pm in the Meeting Room
27 October 7pm - in the Meeting Room
24 November 7pm - in the Meeting Room

A Special Thank You

Sadly we said goodbye this week to the P&C's Acting Operations Manager Renate Duddridge. Thank you Renate for your contribution to the P&C as a volunteer and employee for over 5 years. Your unassuming, behind the scenes work for the benefit of the school is sincerely appreciated. Good luck in your new ventures.

Sunday Family Fun Day

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Fundraising Update
The P&C are proud to present…

SUNDAY FAMILY FUN DAY

Date: Sunday 16 August 2015
Time: 11:00am – 4:00pm
Theme: Country Fair
(enter via Bland Court, Karana Downs)


Market Stalls
Food Vendors
Sausage Sizzle
Raffles
Entertainment / Demonstrations

Free Entry
Pre-purchase unlimited rides $25 from Uniform Shop
Friday 8:30am – 9:30am and from 2:00pm -3:00pm
On the day $30 unlimited or $5 per ride

Stallholder/Food Vendor bookings. Contact: mcssmarket@gmail.com

Postcard Art Competition
Mount Crosby State School P&C Association along with event sponsor, Colleges Crossing Family Practice are proud to present the inaugural

**SUNDAY FAMILY FUN DAY**

**POSTCARD ART COMPETITION**

Theme: “It makes me smile”

Cost: $5.00 fee per entry

Painting Drawing or Photography

Postcard size artwork 15cm x 10cm

Entries close on Monday 10th of August 2015

Artwork will be displayed on Sunday 16th of August 2015 at the Sunday Family Fun Day.

Presentation to the winners will be held at 3:00pm

**GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON!**
SUNDAY FAMILY FUN DAY

ADVANCE PURCHASE TICKET OFFER
Every day is a fun day at Mount Crosby State School

The P&C are so excited about the INCREDIBLE prizes that have been procured for our Fun Day this year, they have decided to give everyone the opportunity to ADVANCE PURCHASE TICKETS at a special price.

3 for $5 or 7 for $10 prior to the day or $2 each, at the event.

To take advantage of this special offer, simply include your name, contact number and how many tickets you would like to purchase, along with money in an envelope, and pop it into the P&C’s silver box located in the school office.

TIME ON BIKES
Prize 1 - 4 week/4000 km Honda Goldwing Hire, VALUE $1,400
Prize 2 - 6 week new rider gradual size package VALUE $900
Consisting of the following:
1 week Honda CB125E
1 week KTM Duke 200
2 weeks Kawasaki Z30
2 weeks Honda CB500 or Suzuki SFV650

Contact - Brooke Sinclair
facebook.com/TimeonBikes   P:0419 791 186

EXECUTIVE PROPERTY AGENTS
Fun Day Sponsor
Prize 3- Floating Images 1 hour Hot Air Balloon Flight Gift Voucher To be taken by August 2016. VALUE $300.00.

Contact – Linda Woods & Tarah Wall P: 3202 4077
W: www.executivepropertyagents.com.au

PTERODACTYL HELICOPTERS
Prize 4 - Helicopter positioning flight voucher for two. VALUE: $200.00

Contact - Captain Mike P: 3201 0005
W: www.pterodactylhelicopters.com.au

Sunday Family Fun Day Helpers Needed!

Helpers are needed to set up and pack up the Sunday Fun Day. The following roster provides an indication of types of jobs and duration. Please let us know if you are able to help out... every little bit counts!
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Sunday Family Fun Day Sponsorship Page

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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 to the value of $34.00 each. A prize of a $25 voucher to Limelight Cinema, will also be awarded as a “Lucky Draw” prize to one of the competition entrants.

TOTAL VALUE $365.00 - Contact Dr Cathryn Hester W: www.ccfamilypractice.com.au

The following businesses have kindly donated the following raffle prizes:

EXECUTIVE PROPERTY AGENTS – Fun Day Sponsor
Floating Images 1 hour Hot Air Balloon Flight Gift Voucher to be taken by August 2016. Executive Property Agents was established in August 2014 when agents from 2002 Linda Woods & Tarah Wall joined forces with 30 years combined experience to offer an alternative perspective to the local real estate market. “Our main focus is on our clients and looking after them with personalized service focusing on achieving the best results for them and how we can make their real estate experience a pleasant one.”
TOTAL VALUE $300.00. Contact – Linda Woods & Tarah Wall
P: 3202 4077 W: www.executivepropertyagents.com.au

PTERODACTYL HELICOPTERS – Helicopter positioning flight voucher for two. Just a stone’s throw from Brisbane, Queensland, Pterodactyl Helicopters offers helicopter tours through the scenic areas of Ipswich, Brisbane, The Scenic Rim, Lockyer Valley, Somerset, Logan and Redlands regions. We also offer, joy flights, helicopter wine tours, and sunset flights just to name a few.
TOTAL VALUE: $200.00 Contact - Captain Mike
P: 3201 0005 W: www.pterodactylhelicopters.com.au

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 Tatam
M: 0405 349 621 E: yvette@westsidetheatrestages.com.au

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.allstardancecold.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

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, playing and listening instruments.
TOTAL VALUE $100.00. Contact - Alison Pomerenke
M: 0448 848 826 W: www.do-re-mi.com.au

BOB’S FIRE BUCKETS
Bob's Fire Buckets is a local home-based business that recycles discarded items which are skilfully and creatively turned into unique, practical Fire Buckets. The Fire buckets have been very popular addition to many homes in the local community. Orders have also been received from as far as Gladstone. Custom orders welcome, prices vary depending on design.
TOTAL VALUE $120 Contact - Sylvain Bob Martinez
Cathie Plant

Thank you for generously donating 2 vouchers of 18 holes of golf at the Karana Downs Golf Course. To be taken by 1st November 2015, TOTAL VALUE $40.00

A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

TO TIME ON BIKES

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 SFV650
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

Woolworths Earn & Learn
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From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. Simply place your stickers on the Sticker Sheets and once completed, place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your 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!
ORDER FROM US TODAY

Get yourself an Entertainment™ Membership today and you can enjoy hundreds of 2 for 1 and up to 50% offers from Brisbane's most popular restaurants, cafes, takeaway chains, attractions and hotels.

Plus, for a limited time, you'll enjoy an amazing selection of valuable Bonus Offers from The Foraging Quail, Asana by Pete Evans and The Jetty South Bank just to name a few. Hurry, offers like these won't last, and supplies of Entertainment™ Memberships are nearly sold out.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased an Entertainment book or digital membership. Your purchase has contributed to raising $221.00 for the school to date.

20% of every membership sold contributes to our school.

Turn Our Lights On

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A big THANK YOU to those families who have made generous donations to the "Turn Our Lights On" fundraiser. Your gifts, combined with the Heritage Bank's grant of $12,750 will help us to provide stage lighting for the A2H project. If you wish to help us reach our target of $25,000 you can make a donation to this project. All you need to do is make a direct deposit to:

Heritage Bank
Account Name: Mt Crosby State School P&C Building Fund
BSB: 638010
Account: 10523286

In the reference section, include your Family Name.

If you also bank with Heritage Bank, you will need to add S1 after the account number. For people with other banking institutions, simply use the information above. All gifts over $2 to the Building Fund are tax deductible.

A2H Decorative Tiles

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THANK YOU to the families who have recently purchased our A2H Decorative Tiles. The mosaic will greet people as they enter via the Main Foyer, and will certainly be a highlight of our new hall.

It's not too late to purchase a tile. The cost is $100 per tile and you can donate by direct deposit into the P&C Building Fund. Details are below. Make sure you put your "Family Name" and "Tile" in
the reference. A tax deductible receipt will be forwarded to you. Please contact the P&C, pandt@mtcrosbys.eq.edu.au if you wish to donate by other methods.

The mosaic will be completed before the official Grand Opening later in the year.

Heritage Bank
Account Name: Mt Crosby P&C Building Fund
BSB: 638010
Account Number: 1052386

If you bank with Heritage Bank, please add S1 after the account number.

Tuckshop News
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**SUSHI DAY**
Pre-ordering for our Sushi Day (being held on Wednesday 5 August) is now CLOSED.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our latest tuckshop special. If Sushi maintains its popularity, we would like to introduce regular Sushi Days twice a term.

I would also like to apologise to anyone confused by online pre-ordering of our Sushi Special. To clarify, Sushi Day is Wednesday 5 August, however, online pre-orders were available up to the cut-off date of Friday 31 July. Therefore, anyone looking online on Wednesday 5 to place an order noticed Sushi wasn’t visible on the menu.

Thank you to all the wonderful Tuckshop volunteers - we couldn’t do without you!

If you would like to know more about helping out in Tuckshop please contact our Convenor, 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 News
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With all this recent changeable weather, we didn’t know whether to stock up on winter jackets or summer dresses, so we did both!

Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday during term from 8:30 - 10:00am. 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 Convenor Michelle West on 3813 2259.

Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) News
Published by Mount Crosby State School

**OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE IS NOW OPENING EARLIER, AT 6:30AM**

Many parents still aren’t aware that we now open at 6:30am during school term. Please help us to spread the word about our new opening hours.

From Monday 3 August we are offering an Enhanced Learning Development Program. We look forward to passing on more information via our school newsletter, Facebook page and displays in the OSHC building once the details have been finalised.

On Monday Tom (Educator) will be introducing German Lessons for our Grade 4, 5 and 6s. This class will run from 3:30pm - 4:30pm. If you are interested in having your child attend please see one of our lovely Educators.

Laura and Chelsea are running Ball Skills for the Prep - Grade 1s from 3:30 - 3:55pm and Grade 2 and 3’s from 4:00 - 4:30pm

Mary Anne, who has been running the Fitness Program on Friday Mornings, will also start offering a Wednesday Fitness in conjunction with the Friday morning program.
Any questions please do not hesitate to call us on: 3201 0841 or come and in and see us.

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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School Banking Prize Portal Competition

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win.

To enter make at least three (3) separate deposits into your Youthsaver account through the School Banking program between 13/07/2015 and 25/09/2015 to receive one (1) automatic entry into the draw.

To receive one (1) bonus entry into the draw, visit the link below, follow the prompts to the entry page and complete a money mission activity, including your personal details, first name, last name, date of birth and parent/guardian’s telephone number and then submit the fully complete entry form.

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

Click here to download the Prize Portal brochure.


Mt Crosby Historical Fact

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Did you know?

When I was about ten, I liked to walk along the old railway between the weir and Allawah (more so at Melon Hut between the two). I did it often enough to notice the little things, which the walkers of our suburb will attest is a nice thing that happens at walking pace.

Near Melon Hut I knew of some small trees that were different to the others of the paddock, being thin in the leaf and generally greener and more upright. When I first met these old friends they were about as thick as your arm and had taken advantage of the space left open by the taken up railway (then on maps as the “old permanent way”, which is amusing because I’ve turned out to be much more permanent - touch wood).

For some reason, and it strikes me as one of Nature’s mistakes, it was their seeds that found the disturbed ground most suitable, and a little thicket of them has struggled to grow there ever since.

What I find remarkable about them is that even now they are only about as thick as a leg, which is an important thing to remember about the mature native trees of our district - that there are really only two types: those that are old and those that are nearly ancient.

My old friends in the thicket are Moreton Bay Ash; about the prettiest gum tree that grows in these parts. They are characterised by the dark tessellated socks they wear on their trunks, above which their bark is as smooth as skin, and the merest amateur can have no trouble identifying them. If you are the type of person who would like to know all the local native trees, but doesn’t know where to start, I say start with the Moreton Bay Ash and soon you’ll find it’s not that hard (because there aren’t many types and they all have a way of telling you who they are).

It is nice to stamp around at Melon Hut, but if you want to see good Moreton Bay Ash much closer, the best examples are on the fenceline of the old Mount Crosby school. Those ones watched over generations of kids as they high-jumped in the nearby pit, sensibly using the
“scissors” technique that predated the jumping mattress, and I think they provided the cross bar too - since it was certainly made of a straight sapling suspended between two old valve stems.

I wasn’t much good at jumping myself, but I once saw an older Brady jump something between four and five feet, which should have brought him the nickname “Valvesprings” but instead he went on happily with “Brades” so far as I can tell.

Col Hester
Tigers Softball Club Inc.

SIGN ON DAY

15th – 16th AUGUST 2015
10am- 12pm

NORTHERN SUBURBS LEAGUES CLUB
PELICAN STREET, NORTH IPSWICH

TIGERS HAVE TEAMS IN T-BALL, ROOKIE BALL, U12, U14, U16, C GRADE, B GRADE & A GRADE.
ALL JUNIOR TEAMS ARE MIXED & SUITABLE FOR GIRLS & BOYS
FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT FRED 0412 805 165
OR Email: tigers.softball@hotmail.com

We are a Get Started Club.
To find out if your child is eligible for a Get Started Voucher to help pay registration costs, visit www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/getinthehame for more information.

Ipswich Falcons Junior Touch

SIGN-ON DETAILS

WHEN: Mon 24th, Tues 25th August & Tues 1st September
TIME: 6.30pm till 7.30pm
WHERE: Ipswich Touch Grounds, Jim Finimore Oval,
Old Toowoomba Road, One Mile
FEES: $80 ($70 for U8s) – 15 week comp.
AGE GROUPS: Boys & Girls U8, U10, U12 & U14
SEASON START: Thursday, 10th September
GAME TIMES: 5.30pm; 6.10pm; 7.00pm

Teams or individual players welcome.
Get your friends together and come join the fun!
Find out more at www.ipswichtouch.com or email: jverenkamp@bigpond.com or phone 0411581625

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