Dear Carers and Parents,

The second last newsletter of the year and we still have lots happening. We are all looking forward to the P&C BBQ tonight. A reminder that this will start at 5:30pm. We will start with a song that students have been working hard on followed by speeches and awards. A disco will be set up after dinner for children with a special guest DJ running the show. A reminder that this will be a Christmas theme and families are asked to bring a plate to share. P-2 to bring a main, 3-4 to bring nibbles and 5-7 to bring a dessert. Meat has been donated by Ray Wickham and Sarah Van Helvoirt.

How wonderful it was to see all the smiling faces return from camp on Wednesday. They were all so excited to share their stories and experiences. How lucky they were to see the turtles and transport the eggs. A once in a lifetime opportunity. Thanks again to all parent helpers. All your help and assistance made the camp a wonderful success.

Sincerely,

Jo Northey

BREAK UP DAY

Break Up Day will take place on Thursday 12th December. Thank you to those families who have returned their permission notes. Again, we have a few wonderful parents who are helping with car pooling. This will be finalised today and you will be informed next week. If you are still yet to return your note please hand this in on Monday at the latest. We need final numbers for catering and car pooling. Students must need parental permission to be able to attend.

ACCOUNTS

Thank you to those parents who have come in to pay accounts. We are still finalising our end of year budget so would still appreciate any monies owing to be paid ASAP. We still have over $2000.00 in money owing. Statements went home last week and money can be paid directly to the school or via direct debit. Your assistance in paying outstanding money ASAP is appreciated.

LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

School leaders will be announced on Monday during parade. Our leaders will be expected to make a pledge and will be awarded with their badges. It would be great to see as many families there as possible. We will also be awarding our Students of the Term on Monday.

TUESDAY CHRISTMAS CRAFT

On Tuesday morning we will be doing some Christmas craft activities. If you would like to be involved, please let me know. The more the merrier!

END OF YEAR CLEAN UP

Next Friday we will be spending a bit of time cleaning up the school and classrooms. This will be a normal school day for the students, we will put them to use!! We would appreciate if any parents are able to help out, even for a short while. The rain has filled our tanks so we will be able to clean the school buildings. If you have a gerni it would be great if you could bring it along.

SEMESTER REPORTS

These will be distributed on Wednesday 11th December. All students will receive a grade based on a 5 point scale in all learning areas. For students applying their curriculum content independently, a C grade or equivalent is given. This means, a student receiving a ‘working with’ in prep, a ‘sound’ in years 1 and 2 or ‘C’ in years 3-7 are demonstrating an age appropriate level of knowledge and understanding of curriculum content for their age. Please come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

PREP ENROLMENTS

Thank you to those families who have been prompt in returning enrolment forms for prep in 2014. If possible, can remaining enrolment forms be dropped off to the office ASAP. Leisa will not be working over the school holidays and we need to process the enrolment forms to enable class lists to be rolled over in preparation for day 1.

SWIMMING TERM 1 2014

Swimming for term 1, 2014, has been booked in every Friday from 1:30—2:30pm. Permission notes will be sent home with this newsletter. Please ensure you return them as soon as possible as we are starting Friday of week 1—31st Jan 2014.
Well done to those students who have continuously completed homework this semester. There will be no homework next week. Have a well earned break!!

Not long to go until we find out our new school leaders. We have all been extremely patient.

A reminder that tonight our 3-4 students are bringing nibbles and our 5-7 students are bringing dessert.
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

OWEN KEHL – IMPROVED ATTENDANCE AND POSITIVE ATTITUDE.

WELL DONE EVERYONE!

There is a school Dental Van located at Biloela State School, for all school aged children to use. Please call Heather on 0407 761 890 to book an appointment.

POSITION VACANT IN 2014 – ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TEMPORARY PART TIME (26 hours per fortnight)

Our Administrative Officer position will become vacant for 12 months due to a leave of absence. The position is anticipated to start on the 10th March 2014 and finish on the 10th March 2015. The Role Description contains a list of duties, and it can be emailed or collected from the school. A resume template is available upon request from the school.

Application close on Friday 7th February 2014.

Applications can be returned, marked “Confidential” to:

The Principal, Prospect Creek State School, PO Box 180, Biloela, 4715

Or Email – the.principal@proscreess.eq.edu.au

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 13 17 88. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school.

If you see something suspicious, please don’t intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Easier access to school information through updated version QSchools app

A recent update to the QSchools app means our parents will now be able to find tuckshop and class time information more easily.

On top of being able to access calendar, newsletter and other information from our school website the upgraded app can also access uniform shop information and school social media pages. It all makes staying in touch and up to date a little easier for your family.

Visit the department’s apps page for more information and all the features: http://deta.qld.gov.au/about/app/

The QSchools app is available for free download through iTunes, Google Play and the Windows store.
DATES TO REMEMBER

P&C END OF YEAR FUNCTION — FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER
LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT — MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER
XMAS CRAFT DAY — TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER
BREAK UP DAY — THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER
LAST DAY TERM 4 — FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER
PUBLIC HOLIDAY — MONDAY 27TH JANUARY 2014
FIRST DAY OF TERM 1 2014 — TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY 2014
FIRST DAY OF SWIMMING — FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY 2014

INCLUDED IN THIS LETTER:

- BOOKLISTS
- GET READY QLD FLYER
- SWIMMING PERMISSION