Dear Carers and Parents,

It is with great pleasure that I write my first newsletter for Prospect Creek State School. I have spent the last six months at Wowan State School and prior to this as a Turnaround Team Project Officer, based in Rockhampton Regional Office, supporting the implementation of Improvement Agendas in Low Socio Economic Schools across Central Queensland. I am looking forward to continuing the Improvement Agenda at Prospect Creek State School that the staff, students and community have worked so hard in implementing throughout the first semester.

I would like to acknowledge the staff and families of Prospect Creek State School who have been so welcoming. I am really enjoying getting to know every one of you as we support students to improve learning outcomes. I look forward to continuing these conversations with you around your child’s progress at school.

We have had a busy start to the school term and I have been extremely impressed with the way students have got straight into their learning at school. Currently, we are celebrating NAIDOC week. On Friday, students will be engaging in rotational activities to celebrate this important event. We have also been lucky enough this week to have a visit from the Rockhampton Girls Grammar School who not only performed for us, but stayed for the remaining school day and helped out with Physical Education in the afternoon.

A reminder that the Redeemer School Sports Day has been rescheduled to next Wednesday, 17th July. I would like to wish all students participating at Redeemer the very best of luck.

TERM 3 CENT SALE
Due to the success of last year’s Cent Sale, PCSS will be hosting a Cent Sale at a date to be announced in Term 3. This notice is to let you know that we would like our families to START COLLECTING, CREATING or CREATING potential prizes for the cent sale. Whether it’s crocheting a beanie, creating an art piece or donating some wanted prizes, you can feel free to leave donations at the school.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST:
PROSPECT CREEK STATE SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR PARENTS
Several parents have expressed their interest in ordering an ‘adult sized’ version of our school uniform in order to wear them on days such as the Jambin Sports Day. We will be placing an order early this term for these shirts so please contact the office during school hours to place your order.

Sincerely,

Jo Northey

TENNIS
We are seeking expressions of interest in students wishing to participate in a Tennis coaching program to take place at Prospect Creek State School on Wednesday during play break. We are looking at an 8 week program with lessons costing $10 per week. Lessons will begin next week. Please send the note back at the end of the newsletter on Monday if you are wanting your child to participate.

SUPPORT A READER
Prospect Creek has been lucky enough to secure Jo McCulloch, Principal Education Advisor: Australian Curriculum, to conduct a reading seminar for parents to support the reading and comprehension of their child/ren at home. This session will take place either Tuesday 30th July at 3:30pm or Wednesday 31st July at 9am. I highly recommend the session as it provides a foundation of reading comprehension strategies you can use at home to encourage not only a love of reading, but an improvement in fluency and comprehension. The session runs for 2 hours and if you are interested in attending please return the attached permission slip, giving your preference of time, by Monday. I will book Jo for the time that suits the majority.

YEAR 4-7 CAMP
New enrolments in the 4-7 class wishing to take part in the excursion to Canberra will be required to secure their place by paying a $50 deposit by Wednesday 17th July. We need to confirm final numbers next week so this will be the final cut off date for students wishing to participate. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at the school.

SNAKE ALERT
Snakes are still out and about. We will be reminding students about snake safety at school but it would be great if you could discuss snake safety with your child/ren.

Sincerely,

Jo Northey
Lots of things have been happening in the P-2 classroom this week. We have three new students. I would like to welcome Ryan Northey and Thomas Natoli to Prep and Tane Norman to Year 2. Lachlan found something blue during scavenger hunt for science this week. Not quite what I had in mind but it fit the description. Many thanks to Mrs. Urquhart for the delicious cupcakes on Thursday for Lyndon’s birthday. They were a big hit (especially among the staff). We also continued with our cooperation games with Chappy Selma on Thursday. I can’t wait for next week!
Students of the week will Commence week 2

Well done everyone—it was a great first week!
DATES TO REMEMBER

NAIDOC WEEK – 15TH JULY – 21ST JULY
P & C MEETING – TUES 16TH JULY
REDEEMER SPORTS DAY – WED 17TH JULY
RE PERFORMANCE – THURS 25TH JULY
CAMP MONEY DUE (4-7) - FRI 2ND AUGUST
AFRICAN DRUMMING PERFORMANCE – FRI 9TH AUGUST
LEAVE FOR CAMP – SUN 18TH AUGUST
RETURN FROM CAMP – FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST
LAST DAY OF TERM 3—FRI 20TH SEPT.

INCLUDED IN THIS LETTER:
• TENNIS REGISTRATION FORM FOR TERM 3
• SUPPORT A READER PERMISSION FORM
• CHAPLAINCY APPEAL DINNER
• CALLIDE VALLEY BMX FLYER
• BSH 50TH ANNIVERSARY INVITATION