

**27 July 2017 (Term 3 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
<b>School Times</b>	<b>Start Time: 8:40 a.m.</b> <b>Finish: 2:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Lunch Breaks</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Break Lunch 10.45 to 11.30 a.m.</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Break Lunch 1.00 to 1.30 p.m.</b>
<b>Banking</b>	<b>Tuesdays</b>
<b>Parade</b>	<b>Wednesdays 8:50 a.m. School Hall</b>
<b>Free Play Group</b>	<b>Wednesdays, 9:30 to 11:30am, 0 – 5 Years, at Queens Beach State School</b>
<b>Free Dress Day</b>	<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July Donate Non-perishable ingredients for the sweet &amp; cake stall</b>
<b>Year 6 Camp in Mackay</b>	<b>Wednesday 2 August to Friday 4 August 2017</b>
<b>Free Dress Day</b>	<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August Donate non-perishable grocery raffle items</b>
<b>Free Dress Day</b>	<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August Donate for White Elephant &amp; Secondhand Books Stall</b>
<b>Free Dress Day</b>	<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August Donation of gold coin or cakes and sweets</b>
<b>School Fete</b>	<b>Saturday 19 August 2017</b>
<b>Year 4 Camp</b>	<b>Paluma – 11-15 Sept 2017</b>
<b>School Watch</b>	<b>Please phone 13 17 88 to report anything suspicious on campus</b>

**PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE**

As the end of July is upon us and August is around the corner, means the annual school fete is nearly here. Please ensure you have saved the date to assist or attend the annual fete. I am personally looking forward to this event.

**Challenge games**

I was extremely fortunate to witness the North Queensland Region's Challenge Games yesterday. It was great to see students from primary and secondary with disabilities participating in a range of activities. The students from Queens Beach SS had a great time and represented the school terrifically. A huge thank you to Ms Collins, Mr Bidgood, Mrs Miller and Mrs Jameson for taking the students away and organising their trip.

**Change of lunch and play**

Lunchtime eating and play times will be reversed for both lunch periods for a trial for the remainder of the year. During first lunch, students will go out to play for 25 minutes on the first bell, eat for 15 minutes on the second bell then return to class. During second lunch break, students will go out to play for 15 minutes on the first bell, eat for 15 minutes on the second bell then return to class. Tuckshop extras/ treats e.g., icy poles, will only be sold at second break or ordered online to be consumed at second break.

Please Note

A healthy snack will still be operating between 9:30am and 10:00am in the classrooms.

The reasons for this change are:-

- To encourage more active play time, followed by a quiet settling time allowing students to return to class calmer and ready to learn.
- To enable staff to discuss and debrief playground issues with students during quiet eating time, hopefully allowing them to return to class with the issues resolved before learning time commences.
- To encourage students, after expending some energy, to devote more time to actively eating, hopefully reducing food waste that has been occurring.

While change takes time and with minor adjustments, it is hoped that this trial decision will help improve the overall behaviour of the school as well as increase students' engagement in learning after break times.

**Year 6 camp**

Next Wednesday-Friday (Aug 2nd- Aug 4th) our year 6 students, FINALLY, get to go on their camp. From all reports this is a great camp that assists with the students' leadership and the 5 keys we promote at our school. I look forward to hearing all the stories from the camp when they arrive home.

**Prep open day**

Next Wednesday (Aug 2nd) is the Prep Open Day. The morning commences at 9am and concludes at 11am. If your child is attending Prep at Queens Beach in 2018 or you have family or friends who are thinking of sending their child to Queens Beach next year, this is a great opportunity to see the workings of a Prep classroom.

Have a great fortnight.

**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	%Attendance	Date	%Attendance
Fri 14 July	<b>86.68</b>	Fri 21 July	<b>90.99</b>
Mon 17 July	<b>89.41</b>	Mon 24 July	<b>85.81</b>
Tues 18 July	<b>91.44</b>	Tues 25 July	<b>90.77</b>
Wed 19 July	<b>89.86</b>	Wed 26 July	<b>90.99</b>
Thurs 20 July	<b>89.64</b>	Thurs 27 July	<b>88.51</b>

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

**PHOTOCOPY PAPER**

As per the booklist at the beginning of the year, now that we are in Term 3, families are asked to supply another 2 reams of paper to the office. Thank you.

**FREE DRESS DAYS**

On the Friday Free Dress Days leading up to the Fete we will be specifically asking for items.

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Feel free to donate ANYTIME. Bring your donations to the office or class teacher for your name to go into the draw for a Rides Pass.

**FETE RIDE TICKETS**

All day ride tickets are now available. They can be purchased on Flexi Schools or from the office for a discounted \$28 (\$32 if bought on Fete day).

**Don't forget if you DONATE TO THE FETE you HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN A RIDE PASS**

**DONATE OLD UNIFORMS**

If you have any spare uniforms that aren't needed any more we would love them as spares at the office. Thank you.

**SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY**

Please read and complete our online school opinion survey. The included insert has the link and unique code to access this anonymous survey.

**YEAR 4 PALUMA CAMP DEPOSIT**

A \$70 deposit is due by Fri 4 Aug. Please pay at the office – EFTPOS available

**TO REGISTER FOR COLOUR RUN  
PLS PH: 4946 2999**



**FORTNIGHT FOCUS: ORGANISATION**

**“REMEMBER NOT TO FORGET...”**

There's no better way to start Term 3 than with a reminder about being organised. Over the next two weeks in our YCDI lessons, students will be reminded about making and prioritising lists and checking them off! Students will find out if they are procrastinators and will learn how to be READY to complete learning tasks. Consider the table below to see if your child is READY or NOT READY in order to have success with learning at home:

READY	NOT READY
Sitting on a straight chair	On the couch, in bed, laying on the floor
Desk in front of them	Using lap, dog or fridge to write on
Being prepared with all materials	Books are still in bag, pencils are being chewed by baby brother
Quiet space	TV is blaring, CD is playing, dad is mowing, mum has friend over for coffee
No one is around except for others doing their homework	Best friend is over, cousins are about to visit
Games, toys, ipads are out of sight	Board game is spread out on table, ipad is next to you
Free time to concentrate	You've just spent 3 hours watching TV, you have to clean your room and dinner is almost ready

How READY are you? Why put off until tomorrow the things you can do today – “JUST DO IT!”

- Mrs Doyle

**SPORTS NEWS**

Bowen Sub district Athletic trials will be held at Bowen SHS on Tues 1 Aug. Whitsunday Cricket trials have been moved to Fri 11 Aug.