



Rainbow Ramblings

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To the parents and members of the Rainbow Beach State School community,

NAPLAN results

Results of the 2009 National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy for Rainbow Beach State School are very pleasing. 100% of students in year 3, 5 and 7 are above the national minimum standard in all areas – Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation and Numeracy.

Below is a table that indicates the mean (average) scores for Rainbow Beach State School, Like Schools, Queensland and Australia

Year 3	RBSS	Like Schools	Queensland	Australia
Reading	452	374	380	411
Writing	469	389	390	414
Spelling	397	364	372	405
Grammar and Punctuation	446	372	384	420
Numeracy	409	363	369	394
Year 5	RBSS	Like Schools	Queensland	Australia
Reading	495	471	470	494
Writing	500	460	461	485
Spelling	513	455	461	487
Grammar and Punctuation	513	475	475	500
Numeracy	499	463	466	487
Year 7	RBSS	Like Schools	Queensland	Australia
Reading	538	534	525	541
Writing	565	529	519	533
Spelling	552	532	527	540
Grammar and Punctuation	530	534	524	540
Numeracy	544	543	534	544

It is clear that students at Rainbow Beach State School are achieving to a high level across all year levels and all subject areas. The results of Rainbow Beach State School were of such a high standard that RBSS was mentioned in a report in the Courier Mail on Tuesday 15th of September. The report indicated that Rainbow Beach State School was one of three smaller primary schools with 100% of students above the national benchmark. Congratulations must go to the teachers, students and parents. Without dedicated teachers, enthusiastic students and supportive parents quality learning cannot occur.

Creative Generation

There will be a broadcast of Creative Generation on the school holidays. CREATIVE GENERATION NETWORK 10 - SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER AT 12 MIDDAY.

Help us keep our school secure these holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, please look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please phone the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

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

Keep the number handy – 13 17 88 – and let's work together to help create a safer school community.

If you would like to know more about the School Watch Program, please call Education Queensland's School Security Section on (07) 3237 0874.

Cheers
Chris Allom

National History Challenge 2009
TRIUMPH OVER ADVERSITY

Year 6 student, Caitlyn Hayes has used her creative and academic skills to enter the National History Challenge which is sponsored by the Australian Government. It is a research-based competition for students giving them a chance to be an historian, investigating their community and exploring their own past. It emphasizes and rewards quality research, the use of community resources and effective presentation. The theme for this year's challenge is "Triumph over Adversity".



Caity's entry is a Three-dimensional sculpture entitled "From the Ashes" inspired by the initial survival of "Sam the Koala" from the devastating Victorian bushfires earlier this year.

From the Ashes

Sam the koala survived the devastating Victorian bush fires that many people and animals perished in and became the symbol of hope to many.

***The charcoal represents Sam's surroundings.
The flames represent the fires she survived.***

I think Sam the koala represented Triumph over Adversity because she beat the odds and survived the fires and was able to find food and shelter.

*Written by Caitlyn Hayes
Year 6 student
Rainbow Beach State School*

P&C NEWS

SAUSAGE SIZZLE FUNDRAISER

We have been given the opportunity to do a sausage sizzle with drink sales at the Carwash in Rainbow Beach over the school holidays. The only downfall as usual is volunteers to do it. If you have a spare couple of hours one day and would like to help the school raise some money please contact Andrea Hayes on 5486 3279 or 0428 863 279. Andrea will supply a BBQ for the cooking of the sausages; all you need to do is sell the sausages to the hungry tourists. There is no set day or days that we can do it so it is all very flexible, but the best time would be low tide when people come off the island.

Dates to Remember

Friday 18 September

Last Day of Term 3

Monday 05 October

First Day of Term 4

LADIES PINK DAY LUNCHEON

Where: Waterview Bistro

When: Friday 30 October

Time: 11:30am – 3:00pm

Cost: \$20.00 p.p.

Please book early as numbers are limited. Phone 5486 8344.

RAINBOW BEACH BOARDRIDERS Love to surf? Then why not join the Rainbow Beach Boardriders Club? The club meets once a month for a friendly surfing competition between members. Following this, a sausage sizzle and a soft drink is provided by the club for all members.



Next comp: Saturday 10th October.

Where: Meet at the big propeller.

When: 7.00am

Cost: only \$5 / person until 31st Dec '09. (Usual annual fee - \$10/person)

For more details phone Smiley on- 0448955768 or Theresa on- 54863352 AH or just turn up at

7 on the 10th.

This year's Memorial Classic – Saturday 5th December

Challenged by your child's asthma? 'Parenting Children with Asthma'

Researchers from the University of Queensland are investigating the challenges faced by parents of children with asthma. This project involves a survey examining the factors that parents believe make management of childhood asthma more difficult.

What does participation involve?

Parents of children with asthma, aged 3 to 12 years, can participate by completing a set of online questionnaires about their family, their child, and their child's asthma. These questionnaires will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

You can complete the survey at: <http://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/asthmaparents>

For more information, please contact

Caroline Gregory (ph: 07 3365 9186, email: caroline.gregory@uqconnect.edu.au)

Your participation will be greatly appreciated!

LEARN TO SWIM

6 week block starting October 2009.

For bookings and enquiries please phone Michael at Tin Can Bay Pool – 5486 4077

MONKLAND STATE SCHOOL

Monkland State School first enrolled students on 24 September 1884 and was officially opened on October 1 1884. We invite all past pupils and staff to join us at the school on Saturday 3 October to celebrate our 125th birthday. The day will commence at 11:00am with classroom displays and sign on for past staff and students. The official ceremony will commence at 1:30pm. For more information contact Monkland School, 5489 8888.

RAINBOW BEACH COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

Cooloola Human Services Network is holding its monthly meeting at the Church of St Peter the Fisherman, Rainbow Beach on Thursday 17 September, commencing at 1:30pm

CHNS is the peak body for Human Services Agencies in the Cooloola Area encompassing organizations with – counselling; Education; Aged; Housing; Environment: Community; Children; Health; Employment/Youth; Disability.

CHAPLAINCY NEWS - - - FROM HOWIE ROGERS, YOUR SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

G'day! Well done everyone, you've nearly made it to the end of Term 3 :) There's a heap happening, so here we go:

- There's an awesome SU QLD camp coming up in December: **SchoolzOut**, for Year 7 students to celebrate the end of primary school and the start of high school. There'll be cardboard-box races, waterslides, swimming under a waterfall, a trip to Dreamworld - and much more. **Fun!** I want to go, and if you're in Year 7, you should too. I'll keep you posted.

- **Octobead is on next month.** It's a great fundraiser for chaplaincy. For the whole month of October I'll grow a new beard; at the end they'll be a shave-off. So, I'll need sponsors (you, for example)... you'll hear more about it... and check out www.octobead.com.au

- **Kids Club** is on this week and will continue next term. I hope to see you there, whether you're a regular or a newbie!

- Now, a boring bit for the grown-ups:

Support school chaplains through your insurance: Scripture Union Queensland (SU QLD), my employers, have teamed up with QBE Insurance to provide the **PartnerProgram Referral System**. Attached to this newsletter is the homepage of www.partnerprogram.com.au for you to look at.

So far I've transferred my own CTP using this program. There are **no extra costs** involved, so I figure it's a no-brainer! Since we all have to pay Third Party anyway, we might as well support a good cause with it - and once it's set up we don't even need to think about it.

It's too easy: just use the website, or grab a little slip of paper with the heading 'Support School Chaplains' from the school office, and follow the instructions. **Please ask me** if you have any more questions.

Thanks! See you around...

HOWARD ROGERS (Howie) SU QLD chaplain

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