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"The ABC's of Parenting" Program

This course goes for 5 weeks. We meet one session each week. In this course we will talk about:



- ❖ What a Parent Coach is and what that means
- ❖ What are my rights and responsibilities as a parent?
- ❖ How do I keep my kids safe?
- ❖ How do I set boundaries and routines for myself and my kid



- ❖ How does the 1 2 3 Magic Program work?
 - ❖ Emotion Coaching? What's that??
 - ❖ What are some ideas for getting my kids to start doing things they should?
 - ❖ How can we work with conflict, when to negotiate and when to fight the fight
- And more...

**** These groups are quite interactive. There's lots of discussions and we watch short clips, DVDs, use PowerPoint presentations, play games, draw pictures and have lots of breaks. We try to have some fun and it's great to get ideas off each other about how to do this parenting job better. To get the most from this course however you will need to attend all 5 sessions. Otherwise some parts don't really make sense.**

When/Time:

Thurs 10th Oct (All sessions 9.30-12.30pm) Thurs 31st Oct
Thurs 17th Oct Fri 8th Nov
Thurs 24th Oct

Where: **WARWICK!!!** In the Library MEETING room, Albion Street



Hey do you want to come? Please let me know. Please also ring me if you can't make it to one session or there is something you can't eat so we can try to cater for you.



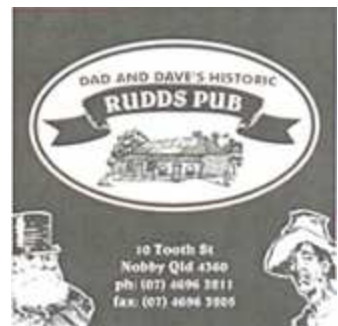
Student attendance and absences

Our school has embraced the strong view on attendance that our State Education Policy expects. This year, we have been monitoring this closely, and have been asking parents to explain absences via text message, phone call or note. This is sometimes prompted by a reminder text from the school. We track student attendance closely and explaining absences to the school appropriately is a parental/caregiver responsibility.

We will no longer be reminding you to explain absences. We ask that you explain absences preferably before they occur, but if required, on the day of the absence. Failure to do this will mean that your child's absence will be marked as 'unexplained,' and noted on the student's end of semester report card.

"Every Day Counts!"

Thanks to all of our school sponsors!!!!



Clifton & District Amateur Swimming Club

Expression of Interest - Tuesday 15 October 2013 5pm



All committee positions are vacant and we are looking for nominations.

Enquiries: Anita Scott 46973556/0408702498 or Robyn Cougar 46973530/0437117161



The Nobby Link

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Term 4 Week 1
Thursday 10th October
2013

Calendar

Term 3, 2013

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| Week 2 | Tuesday 15th October | P&C Meeting |
| Week 2 | Wednesday 16th October | Tuckshop Orders Due |
| Week 2 | Friday 18th October | Tuckshop |
| Week 3 | Monday 21st October | Student Free Day |
| Week 3 | Tuesday 22nd October | AASC Commences |
| Week 4 | Friday 1st November | Central Downs Ball Games Carnival |

Welcome Back

A warm welcome back to school to all parents and students.

Term 4 is always busy, with lots of learning, report cards, parent-teacher interviews, testing, presentation night and a few extra events thrown in.

The staff are excited about the term and looking forward to promoting our learning agenda.

Central Downs Ball Games Carnival

This annual event will be held at Emu Creek State School on Friday 1st of November (week 4). All students are involved in teams that will compete against other schools in our district. Parents and friends are welcome as always. Please find attached a permission form and tuckshop menu.

P&C Meeting

The October P&C Meeting will be held next Tuesday, 15th October, from 6:00pm -7:00pm. As always, we will do an order to Eagle Boys for dinner. Please have orders to the office by 12:00pm that day.

Jump Rope for Heart

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Jump Rope for Heart 'Jump Off' during the last week of Term 3. The students put on a wonderful display of their skipping skills. We were able to raise \$1044.00 for the Heart Foundation. Well Done!



Christmas Hamper

We are raffling a Christmas Hamper, with the help of our supporters, Rudds Pub, between now and Christmas.

Please support this major fundraiser by donating items for the hamper. Types of items include non-perishable foods, 'Christmassy things' (bonbons, decorations etc.), toys, alcohol and appliances. These items can be dropped into the school office.

Tickets are available now in the school office. If you are able to sell some books of tickets, please drop into the office to grab some!

Active After School Communities

This term we will be doing swimming for AASC on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Please let the office know the day that you would like your child to attend.

AASC will run from 3:00pm—4:00pm this term.

Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers Garden Competition

Nobby State School was awarded two prizes in The Chronicle Garden Competition for 2013.

First Prize: School Student Gardens

First Prize: School Gardens

Thank you to everyone who is involved in keeping our grounds and gardens looking spectacular. I would like to make special mention of Derek McCulkin, Wendy Noller and Dom Sheridan for their help with our Friday gardening club.

P&C Minutes

Did you know the P&C minutes are located on both the school website and the App?

Attachments:

- Term 4 Tuckshop Menu and Dates
- Central Downs Ball Games Carnival Permission Form and tuckshop menu

Enrolments for 2014 are now being taken. Please contact the school office if you would like to enrol your child.

Our 2013 Presentation Night will be held on Monday 9th December starting at 6:00pm. Information regarding the 'new' end of year awards can be found on the school website. Go to:

Curriculum > Excellence Programs

Dear Parents and Nobby Community

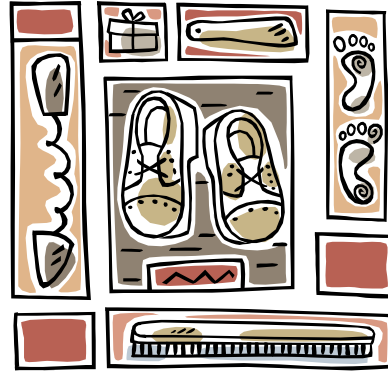
Chappy Matt here, with my first Chappy Update for Term 4. I hope everyone had a relaxing holiday. This term at Nobby we will be helping with 'Operation Christmas Child,' and we only have till the end of this month.

'Operation Christmas Child' is a unique project of Samaritan's Purse Australasia-Operation Christmas Child Limited, that brings good news and great joy to kids in need through a simple shoebox filled with gifts. Every year, generous people, schools, churches and businesses pack shoeboxes with gifts.

No matter how old or how young you are, get involved and make a difference to a child who has nothing. A shoebox is far more than just a gift ...it opens up a world of life-changing opportunities for the child, their family and their community. Globally, more than 100 million shoeboxes have been given to kids in need in more than 130 countries since 1993. My goal is to pack 50 shoe boxes for children in need. If you are interested please either pick up a shoe box to pack and an information packet, or donate funds to help pay the \$9 postage per shoe box. You get to pack your shoe box for a specific age and gender of your choice. This is a chance to greatly impact a child's life who wouldn't normally get presents at Christmas. There is a shoe box displayed in the office along with more information for those interested.

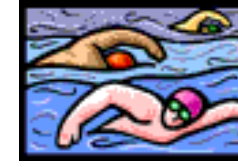
Sincerely,

Chappy Matt



Swimming Program

During Term 4 the students do swimming for PE. They have been



broken up into 3 groups based on ability. Each group will have a 1/2 hour swimming session. Swimming is mandatory (for PE lessons) and all students should swim every week unless a medical issue prevents it.

Please ensure that students bring the following items every Wednesday.

1. Swimming togs
2. Swim shirt
3. Towel
4. Swimming cap

Swimming will also begin for Active After School Communities in week 3.

Tuckshop

Our first tuckshop for Term 4 will be next Friday, 18th October. Please ensure all tuckshop orders are placed no later than Wednesday, 16th October.

Please find a revised Tuckshop menu attached to this week's newsletter. Due to there only being 3 tuckshop dates this term, we will not be ordering any more tuckshop items and therefore may run out of items as the term progresses. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for any items that become unavailable.

NEEDED!

Could you please bring in any boxes (cardboard boxes, cereal boxes, muesli bar boxes etc.) and recycled materials for the Junior Room. The students will be 'building' a house for a teddy bear as a Maths assessment piece.



Welcome back everyone!

Thanks to children and parents for a wonderful response to the holiday reading program. Every book counts..... The more you read the better you become at it! If your little one is struggling with reading - REMEMBER - support them by:- reading with them; reading to them; reading by taking turns; looking at the pictures; finding something different to read that has more interest value! Well done families!

Country week

Thanks to those who have provided boots, hats and horse shoes. Thanks to the Torcetti family who have worked over the holidays to prepare much of the art work for the display. We are in the final preparation phase and the display will go up next Thursday afternoon (17th) after school. If anyone would like to help me please come and let me know. We are still chasing plastic containers/lids and a bale of straw if anyone has it - need to know ASAP. Don't forget about the photography competition that was advertised in our last newsletter.

Ball Games

We only have 3 weeks until the annual competition at Emu Creek. Our team numbers require all children to be here. We are practising Tuesday to Thursday before school at 8:45am sharp. Please have your child here by 8:40am so they can set up school things prior to practice. We will also practise on Friday afternoons at 2:30pm.

Classroom notes

As each term begins we try and use new and interesting things to engage your children. The year 1 and 2 students will begin a Maths program called 'JEMMS'. This program is a daily activity to strengthen instant recall, and make maths learning fun.

Look out for Science notes from Mrs Field - the children have another wonderful unit to work on this term -about toys.

Junior Room News

School Banking



Don't forget school banking is every Wednesday.

NAPLAN Results

Our students in years 3 and 5 received some outstanding results from this year's NAPLAN tests.

At a glance, we can see that numeracy is still a very strong area for our students, with 3 students achieving in the top 10-15% of students in Australia.

Of the 9 students who each completed 5 tests (total of 45 tests) there were only 6 instances of a student achieving below the national minimum standard. Additionally, there were 5 instances of a student achieving at the national minimum standard. This means that 34 instances (or tests) were above the national minimum standard.

Special mention goes to Scarlet Barwick, who achieved a result in the top band, meaning top 10-15% of students in Australia, in every test area.

Other notable performances were displayed by Tom Green, who was in the top 2 bands in every test area (meaning top 20% of students in Australia), and Jack Green who achieved a result in the top band in 2 areas.

Well done to all students!