



# Kowanyama

STATE SCHOOL

"Ready to Learn"



# NEWSLETTER

## Date Claimers

- **Term 3 End Date**—Friday 18 September 2015
- **Parade**— Weekly Monday Morning 9:20am
- **Transition Support Services**— Daily 9:20-11:20am
- **Annual Sports Carnival**— 21 Aug 2015
- **NAIDOC Celebration**— 17 September 2015
- **Annual School Fete**— 18 September 2015



## Spotlight

### Reading

Reading to your child, reading with your child, and listening to your child read every day is one of the greatest investments of your time that you can make. Every child has access to our wonderful Re-

## Principal's Note

Welcome to Term 3 2015. We have started the Term 3 with some staff changes. We have said a sad farewell to Ross McHutcheon Principal of Kowanyama State School. After 3 and half great years in Kowanyama, Ross has taken on the role of Principal at Bwngcolman Community School—Palm Island. On behalf of Kowanyama State School I would like to wish Ross all the best on his next adventure and he will be missed dearly here at the school.

I would like to welcome Miss Kristy Fleeting. Kristy has joined us from Caravonica State School in Cairns. Kristy will be teaching Year 3 for the remainder of the year. Kristy is joining our teaching team with a wealth of knowledge and teaching experience. Welcome Miss Kristy.

Term 3 is an exciting Term for our students. We have our first Brisbane Attendance Trip—The Bush to the Big Smoke for 10 days in August. This trip is for our Year 6—Secondary students that have demonstrated high attendance and excellent behaviour over Semester

1 and continuing into Semester 2.

This week 4 students have attended the U13 Cape Crusader AFL trails in Weipa. We wish them the best of luck. The students travelled to Weipa with AFL Cape York.

On 17 September this Term we are celebrating our annual NAIDOC day celebration with activities and cultural events with our families and communities. Everybody is welcome to come join our school community for a day of celebrations.

On the last day of Term 3 our school community will be celebrating and enjoying our Annual Kowanyama School Fete. There will be class and community stalls for everybody to enjoy and celebrate our successes for the Term.



## Every Day Counts

Missing	Equals	Which is	Over 13 years of school-
1 day per fort-night	20 per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years of schooling
1 day per week	40 per year	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2.5 years of schooling
2 days per week	80 per year	16 weeks per year	Nearly 5 years of schooling
3 days per week	120 per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of schooling

## Regular attendance

Regular attendance at school is very important for each child. However from time to time students become ill. When your child is ill could we remind parents to call the school so that we can correctly record the absences. The school phone number is 4083 7333.

## Daily Timetable

**Session 1** - 9:20 – 11:20am

40 min Lunch break – students may leave school grounds to purchase lunch

**Session 2** – 12 – 2pm

20 min play – students are not permitted to leave school grounds

**Session 3** – 2:20 – 3:10pm

## Annual Athletics Carnival

The Kowanyama State School Annual Athletics carnival will take place at the school on 21 August 2015. All Welcome.

## P&C Meeting

29 July 2015—3:30pm

Venue: School Library

Tea and Coffee available.

We welcome new members and can't wait to see you there.



## Transition Support Services

A reminder that Shannon is available for Transition Support daily—9:20 – 11:20am ONLY. During the term Shannon will be visiting and working with all our Year 6 families to ensure a smooth transition from primary school to boarding high school.

### In the ART ROOM—Term 2

Term 2 n Art, students have been having fun in Art. We have used crayons and inks to drawing pictures of ourselves; made life size monster drawings after reading *Where the Wild Things Are*; drew portraits of footy players Sam Thaiday and Jonathon Thurston and painted scales to create our own *Rainbow Fish*. Students have enjoyed the outside time drawing bunches of sunflowers and big trucks as well as under the sea creatures on the pavement with chalk. We certainly have some creative and amazing students here at Kowanyama State School!

