



Kowanyama

STATE SCHOOL

"Ready to Learn"



NEWSLETTER

Date Claimers

- **Term 1 End Date—**
Thursday the 24 March
- **Parade—** Weekly Monday
Morning 9:20am
- **Cross Country—**23 March
- **Term 2 Start Date—** 11
April
- **Weekly Meat Tray Draws**
for our 100% Attendance
students on Monday Pa-
rade



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 ac-

P&C Meeting

27 April—3:30pm

Venue: School Library
Tea and Coffee available.

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

Principal's Note

Welcome to 2016, Term 1. What an exciting start to the year we have had. I would like to welcome our new and returning teachers and support staff. This year the following teachers and classes are as follows:

- Pre Prep—Miss Jody
- Prep—Miss Georgia
- Year 1—Miss Monica
- Year 2—Miss Ash
- Year 3—Miss Nicole
- Year 4—Miss Rainii
- Year 5—Miss Kristy
- Year 6—Miss Felicia
- Secondary—Sir Luke and Miss Amy
- HPE—Sir Ross
- Art—Miss Louise

We are all very excited about our new Home Economics kitchen that was refurbished over the Christmas break. The kitchen will be used to reintroduce Home Ec classes throughout the school. We have also refurbished our very bright and beautiful Art room for the start of 2016.

This year at the school we have for the first time a full time Guidance Officer on staff. Melissa comes to our school with a wealth of knowledge in behavioural intervention and support. Working alongside Melissa is the Allied Health team that visits our school three times throughout the term. Parents will receive a permission form in the next few weeks so that our students have access to the Allied Health team when they are in the school.

We also wish all of our boarding school students the very best for 2016 in their chosen schools.

Every Day Counts

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

School Leaders Parade

Our whole school will celebrate our 2015 school leaders with a presentation parade and BBQ. Dates will be placed up around the community to advise of the celebration time and day. All Welcome

Pre Prep

What a great start the Pre-Preppies have made to school! This week students were introduced to Jolly Phonics and looking at the letter Ss. We also counted to five with songs, games and activities. It was found that we already have some little smarties this year with Teila already spelling her name and Sheonquisha counting up to 10, I can't wait to see what the year unfolds!



PREP

The students in Prep are off to a great year! They have been busy learning about lots of exciting animals that live in the ocean. Students have been working really hard practising their letters and sounds. This Prep class loves to count; we are getting lots of practise in. All children have settled in very well this year and I look forward to working with each of them and their families.

Miss Georgia

