

## Mt Tyson CGEN Newsletter Report

Congratulations to **Courtney Dowe** who joined Pittsworth, Southbrook and **1800 students from across Queensland** to participate in this year's Creative Generation – State Schools Onstage. Special thanks goes to Mrs Jenny Jackson and Mrs Carol McEwan for their outstanding support and rehearsal assistance. And thank you to our wonderful parent supervisors, who gave such amazing support before and during Show Week. The five 3-hour shows were incredibly professional and entertaining, and Courtney proudly represented Mt Tyson State School. We look forward to having more students involved in next year's production. It is an amazing opportunity for our talented country kids.

CGEN will be televised on **Network Ten** on **Saturday, 14 October!**

20/07/2017

### What's On

Date	Event
31 July	Bunya Athletics
Fri 21 July	Dental Forms due
Sept 6– 12	Sydney/ Canberra Camp –Yr 5/6
Fri 15 Sept	Last day Term 3

Hello Everyone

I trust everyone has settled into Term 3. I have often written about our sharp and narrow focus. This is to improve the Teaching and Learning of Writing and to improve the Teaching and Learning of Early language.

The teaching staff have had various meetings and a summary of the measures taken to improve the Teaching and Learning of Writing are as follows:

- ◆ Each student has a portfolio of Writing samples and we use the Literacy Continuum to track progress and look for deficiencies;
- ◆ We Plan English units collectively and make teaching decisions based on student need and the Australian Curriculum; Team Teachers teach the same skills;
- ◆ We have developed pedagogy to best teach Writing and all teachers follow the same format;
- ◆ Teachers provide teachers with feedback of their Writing lessons;
- ◆ We make decisions to best use our staffing resources to assist students to improve writing.

We have altered our Gotcha System. Based on feedback from the students we have bought some new prizes. We have set each class the goal of achieving 150 Gotcha's. We will celebrate the success with an end of term party if this is achieved. This is a trial. It is to be remembered that we give Gotcha's to students that we constantly catch following the school expectations and usually based on our focus of the week. It is our aim to reduce incidents of poor behaviour and to bring out the best in our students.

There has been a slight modification in regard to the use of alcohol on the school grounds and the use of the school hall. The new guidelines are as follows:

- ◆ The School Hall may be leased to non-profit organizations but the use of alcohol is not permitted;
- ◆ The School Hall will not be leased for private functions (weddings);
- ◆ Alcohol will be permitted for no more than two P&C functions per year and only at the principal's discretion;
- ◆ Alcohol will not be used for any school organized function (presentation night). There are risks and issues associated with the use of alcohol in schools and we have to be compliant with policy.

I would just like to give a quick thanks to the P&C for doing a wonderful job at the tuckshop at Rossvale Carnival. They had little time to prepare and I have had much positive feedback.

We are now thinking about the beautification of the front of the school. I don't have a great eye for design but am hopeful of forming a committee to make recommendations to go to the P&C and staff. Landcare has assisted and we have allocated school and P&C money for this purpose. The P&C has applied for a grant as well. This is an important area that needs to be done properly, with creativity, thought and needs to sum up our school spirit. I hope in time we can improve this area.

*"To Plant a Garden is to Believe in Tomorrow", Unknown Source.*

Have a Great Fortnight

Reminder  
Monday 31st  
July  
is  
Bunya Athletics  
at Dalby



### Student Behaviour

This fortnight we will be focusing on the RESPECT value. You may wish to reinforce the following expectations from our "Values and Expectations" Matrix with your child at home.

- Manners such as Please and Thanks are important;
- Greetings should be accepted and given;
- Be Honest;
- Include others;
- Ask if you can play with others;
- Assist others in need;
- Avoid name calling;
- Bullying is never acceptable.



**REMINDER—Student Absences—via SMS Texting**  
**Please remember if your child is going to be absent from school it is easy to send us an SMS text to this number: 0418 164 912. Please save this number to your phone. It is easier than a phone call.**

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### DENTAL ORAL HEALTH CARE

As in previous years our students are offered dental treatment at the Dental Van located at Biddeston School. If you would like your child to participate in the free dental care programme, please complete the attached form, sign and return to school tomorrow or definitely NO later than Monday 24 July.



### Rossvale Athletics Day—Friday 14 July

Congratulations to our 2 students who received Age Championships medallions. They are Ethan Behrendorff—10yr boys and Mikealee Nothdurft—9 yrs.

Well done to you both and a great effort to all other students who participated and did their best on the day.

### BUNYA ATHLETICS—Monday 31st July

Congratulations to Brendan Packer, Jack Reen, Ethan Behrendorff & Mikealee Nothdurft who have been selected in the Rossvale Districts Track & Field Team to compete at the Bunya Zone Trials to be held on Monday 31 July at Dalby South State School. Good luck to each of you.

### Sydney/Canberra Camp — Yr 5/6



Well it is now only a few weeks until we leave to go on this week long exciting camp to Canberra and Sydney. There will be a camp meeting to inform parents of any further information and to answer any questions you may have. A date for this will be arranged and sent home to parents. Thank you to parents who have either fully paid or are making payments regularly. Please remember that if you need a payment plan, please see Michael or Lorraine to arrange this so that all outstanding money is paid before the students leave for camp.

If you need copies of "What to Bring", Medication Forms or a Statement of what is owing, please see Lorraine.



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### Chappy News

We have made it and are halfway through the year already! Congratulations students, teachers and parents!!! Welcome back to Term 3! I've a lot to report – so I'll get to it!. The 5c train is finished and we had lots of fun! I'm working on doing a 'movie maker presentation' of what I do in your school, and so I hope to have this done BEFORE the end of this term and will put up on the P&C Facebook page – so there will be some photos in this. ANYWAY – **the winner of the 5c train competition is the Prep/Year 1 class** by about 2 metres (work out the math yourself)!! I didn't count each class individually – but will let you know that all up Mt Tyson raised \$142-50!! Thanks to all the parents for their amazing support! As I've mentioned, I really hate asking people for money – and you've all blown away my expectations and it seems the kids really have taken on board this healthy and fun competition!

\* Talking about fundraising – yes, Chaplaincy just finished with a Cake Stall in Pittsworth on Saturday and \$835 was raised. THANKS to the Mum's who donated their cooking which was left over from Rossvale Sports Carnival.

\*Last term was the judging of the Father of the Year, colouring-in completion. This was VERY hard to judge – I had many wonderful entries. Congratulations to **Zac Rauchle** and **Courtney Dowe!** These two colouring-ins have now been sent onto Brisbane for the next level of judging!

Please note that I am away at Chappy conference at Sea World Nara Resort from 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> August. I will be thinking of you!! I am continuing with Supa Club this term, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday. We are looking at ORDINARY PEOPLE; UNLIKELY HEROS from the Bible, which I hope to impart to the participants, that this can be YOU too. Well – I think that that is about all for now! Keep calm everyone and enjoy Term 3!!

Karen.



## P & C NEWS

If you have anything you wish to add to the agenda or the P&C News, please let Amanda or Donna know..

P&C Events	Date
P&C meeting :	Aug 8 @ 7.00pm
Fundraising Calendar	June 23- Aug 18

The P&C now has a page on Facebook. Its designed to notify you of upcoming events and reminders for current events. Contact Louise Kronk if you have anything to add.

Please like and share...

### MAJOR FUNDRAISER

The major fundraiser for 2017 is closing on the 18<sup>th</sup> August so please have your photos organised, entry forms completed and fees paid.

The junior and senior winners will have prize money awarded and their photos published in a 2018 calendar which will be released in Term 4.

The P&C have a professional photographer to judge the entrees.

All the photos will be on display in the School hall on the evening of September 2 for everyone to view. The P&C are also considering holding a wine & cheese night.

### TUCKSHOP ROSTER

The tuckshop is still accepting donations for the making of homebake.

Wed 19:Renae & Sam

Wed 26:Carolyn & Sheree

Wed 02:Louise & Keturah

### 2018 CALENDAR COMPETITION

Time to start looking for that perfect photo shot.

Entries close Aug 18.

A Red Day tuckshop day will be held on August 25, hot dogs, packets of chips and lollies will be available by pre-order only.



Thank you to everyone who donated, volunteered or helped in any way to make Rossvale Sports Day a success. The P&C raised approximately \$580.

Good luck to our students who will be participating in Dalby on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July.



### UNIFORMS

There are still some winter 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniforms available as well as new uniforms and school bags.

#### Your P&C Committee:

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