

IMPORTANT DATES

- ♦ Tonight Feb 27
P & C AGM
- ♦ Wednesday Feb 28
Zone Swimming
Lismore
- ♦ Friday March 9
Water wise Workshop
& School Assembly
- ♦ Thursday March 15
School Photos
- ♦ Friday March 16
Happy Africa
Drumming
- ♦ Wednesday March 21
Year 6 High School
- ♦ Friday March 23
Harmony Day
- ♦ Monday March 26
Kids First Aid Work-
shop

Important

**PSSA Cricket Next
Thursday March 8**

NEXT P & C MEETING

AGM FEB 27 6 PM

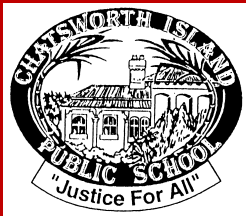
Canteen Roster

Lisa Cook until 10:00
Tennille W from 10:00 &
Help Needed

WEBSITE

Chatsworth Island School
Website.
School Newsletters can be viewed
in colour.

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WELCOME TO WEEK 5

Congratulations to last week's **Awesome Award** students -
Georgina, Riley, Stanley, Carmen, Banjo, Sylvie, Deja and Freddie.
Chatty Champion Awards: Archie and Sumira.



2018-2020 SCHOOL PLANNING: Our next three year School Plan is due for submission before the end of term. We are staying with our Strategic Directions of *Student Engagement, Sustainability and Citizenship*. However, as a result of feedback contained in last year's school and community surveys there have been some changes within these areas such as environmental education, life skills, IT and excursions. I will be outlining these changes and our future directions at tonight's P & C meeting. The new School Plan will be on our website after Department approval.

ZONE SWIMMING: Good luck to Sascha Lenard and Rhea Shannon at tomorrow's Zone Swimming Championships in Lismore. We are all very proud of your efforts.



PSSA CRICKET: Our cricket team began training today in preparation for their PSSA knockout match against Iluka next Thursday March 8. Although we lack experience, the enthusiasm and encouragement is evident and everyone is looking forward to the game.

P & C: Tonight is the Annual General meeting of our P & C Association. The meeting starts at 6:00pm in Mr Speirs room and all positions will be declared vacant. This meeting will be followed by the first P & C meeting for 2018. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing committee for all their hard work in 2017. I would also like to strongly encourage new members to come along and become involved in our P & C association.

SESQUICENTENARY FACE BOOK PAGE: Don't forget to visit this page and invite your friends. The word is beginning to spread about the big event on September 7 and 8. A community meeting will be held in the next two weeks to discuss the celebrations.

CANTEEN ORDER FORM PLEASE RETURN ON WEDNESDAY

Subs \$5	Name	Name	Name
Select your ingredients with a tick in the column below your name.			
Meatball			
Falafel			
Cheese			

CWA READING LADIES: I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back the ladies from the Chatsworth Island CWA. These wonderful ladies volunteer their time each Thursday afternoon to assist our students with reading in the library. Thank you once again ladies!

CANTEEN: The students and staff have been treated to some fantastic and healthy recess and lunch treats over the last three weeks and I would like to thank those volunteers for keeping our canteen up and running every Friday. Remember, we are always looking for volunteers so don't be shy!

SCRIPTURE: If you do not wish your child attend these scripture lessons please send in a note. Non Scripture students are supervised in the library for the duration of the lesson.

Have a great week

GREG SPEIRS
PRINCIPAL



SRC NEWS: 2018 is looking like a busy year for the SRC! At the first meeting last week, these students were enthusiastic and bursting with ideas on how they can enhance their already amazing school. With this year being our Sesqui Centenary celebration, they are also looking at ways of getting students

involved and are keen to have their voices heard.

The students have decided to kick off the year with an environmental feel and will be helping to organise the Clean Up Chatty Day this Friday 2 March at 10.30am in association with the National Clean Up Australia Day movement.

K/1/2 will focus on cleaning up any rubbish within the school grounds

3/4 will walk from the school towards the Ashby turnoff

5/6 will walk from the school towards the Chatsworth Island General Store

All classes will be fully supervised by their teachers and disposable gloves and plastic bags will be supplied to ensure hygiene and safety practices are met. If you **DO NOT** wish your child to participate in this community event, please let your child's teacher know in writing before this Friday.



LIBRARY NEWS: Thank you to the families who promptly ordered Book Club . Book Club is a wonderful way to purchase books for your child whilst simultaneously gaining credits for the school to purchase books for library borrowing. Did you know you can go to the Scholastic Book Club webpage and pay online via "LOOP". (Linked online ordering and payment Platform) It is quick and easy and gives you the opportunity to earn bonus books throughout the school year. If you do order via LOOP it will help us if you still return your order form to the school.

Please be aware that students need a library bag to borrow books every Wednesday.

CANTEEN: This week the Chatty Snack Shack will be serving meatball or falafel subs with neapolitan sauce.

Our volunteers for this Friday are Lisa Cook until 10:00 and Tennille W from 10 but they will need some more help so check your calendar and see if you're available for a couple of hours on Friday! The students love seeing their parents and relatives and its a fun way to get involved with their school life.

Recess items are 50cents each and lunch is \$5. Please send your orders in to school tomorrow even if you can only pay on Friday.

WORK OF THE WEEK
ALORA MAHONEY



Sacha was named 11 Year Champion of the Carnival.
Congratulations



CHATSWORTH ISLAND SCHOOL HISTORY INTERESTING FACTS

FIELDS OF FIRE

Chatsworth Island would not be the same without the cane surrounding the village. In 1863 the first settler to plant cane at Chatsworth was Hannibal McFarlane. It is believed he planted seven stools of Green Ribbon cane.

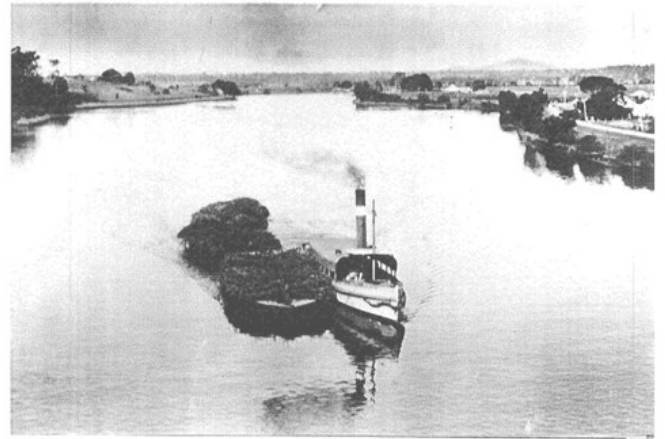
The first cane gang to cut cane was Joe Conneally's using billhooks. The cane was then bundled and taken by horse and cart to the river bank where a derrick crane would load the cane onto the punts for the journey upriver to the mill. The first private mill is believed to have been built by Angus Macmillan in 1879. The original Chatsworth Island mill was dismantled and moved to Harwood around 1900.

Today things have changed a lot. The cane farmers use machines to harvest the cane and then trucks transport it to the mill at Harwood for processing.

The 1987 mini-series "Fields of Fire" was filmed in and around our school and if you're lucky you can still get to see the cane fires burning at night between August and October. They are an awesome sight!



Loading cane with the derrick crane (1920's)



Cane on the way to the mill (1920's)



COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Big Vegie Crunch is being run on the 1st March 2018, with many schools & services across NSW joining forces to "CRUNCH" on vegies. This fortnights newsletter is dedicated to humble vegetables & focuses on ways to get your kids to eat more of them.

HULK FRITTERS

Serves: 50 fritters

Ingredients

- 1.5 kg green peas
- 7 tbsp parsley
- 10 eggs
- 750 g ricotta (low fat)
- 2 cups whole meal flour
- 3 large zucchinis
- salt & pepper, to taste



Method

1. Smash peas and grate zucchini, combine in bowl with parsley, egg and flour.
2. Add salt and pepper.
3. Mix through ricotta.
4. Spoon into frypan and cook on medium high for ~2 mins a side, or until golden brown.
5. Serve plain with sweet chilli sauce, with salad or in a sandwich.

Freezes well, reheat in microwave or pie oven.

BEET CHOCOLATE MUFFINS

These muffins are fudgy and delicious. The kids will never know there is beetroot hidden in them! They freeze well and are a perfect lunchbox snack.

Ingredients

- 1 beetroot (250g), peeled and trimmed
- 3 eggs
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cocoa powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup almond meal (ground almonds)*
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup plain flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup buttermilk (or natural yoghurt)
- 2 teaspoons baking powder



Method

1. Preheat oven to 160°C (325°F).
2. Grate the beetroot (you should have 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ cups). Place the beetroot, eggs, sugar, cacao, almond meal, flour, buttermilk and baking powder in a large bowl. Mix to combine.
3. Divide the mixture between 12 lightly greased muffin holes (cupcake size tray). Bake for 18 minutes or until cooked when tested with a skewer. Set aside for 5 minutes. Turn out onto a wire rack to cool.

Freezes well, reheat in microwave.

Note: Almond meal can be replaced with whole-wheat plain flour.