DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 9th October - Year 5 and 6 Maths Olympiad (Wollumbin High School)
Monday 13th October - P&C Meeting (3pm Library)
Thursday 16th October - Camp Out
Friday 17th October - Loud Shirt Day
Friday 31st October - Alice’s Adventure Performance (Whole School Event Civic Centre Mur’bah)
Monday 3rd November to Friday 7th November - Intensive Swimming Program (Whole School Event - Every Day)
Wednesday 10th November - Kindy Orientation (9.30 – 11.30am)
Wednesday 26th November - Kindy Orientation (9.30 – 11.30am)
Friday 28th November - Bake for Jake
Wednesday 3rd December - Kindy Orientation (9.30 – 2.30pm)
Wednesday 10th December - Kindy Orientation (9.30 – 2.30pm)
Friday 12th December - Presentation Day (9.00 – 11.00am)
Monday 15th December - Movie and Picnic Day
Tuesday 16th December - Year 6 Farewell Day
Wednesday 17th December - LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS

UNIFORM COMPETITION WINNER

Ryan Year 4 received a voucher to use at the canteen.

A huge thank you to the School Canteen for sponsoring this competition.

FIREWISE SCHOOL PROGRAM

Starting this Friday, all students will be participating in the Kids Firewise School Program, which is an initiative of the Rural Fire Brigade Service. Sessions are scheduled for the first three Friday’s of Term 4, between 12.00 to 1.00pm. Students will learn beneficial skills relating to fire safety in and around the home.

If you are curious about the program, please feel free to check it out at the following link: https://www.emknowledge.gov.au/resource/?id=3633.

On the final session the Rural Fire Service will be bringing a fire truck to our school and giving demonstrations, which will be a fun finale for the students. If you have any questions relating to the Firewise Program please feel free to come and chat with Mrs Mander.
**LOUD SHIRT DAY**

Loud shirt day is a fun one day event on **Friday 17 October 2014** when you can wear your brightest clothes and raise funds to help give the gift of sound and speech to deaf children.

Whether you fancy stripes, florals or polka dots, as long as it’s got colour and pizzazz, it will be perfect for Loud Shirt Day.

Crystal Creek SRC are asking for all students to wear their best or brightest frock, brightest shirt or most outrageous outfit and bring in a gold coin donation to help support Loud Shirt Day.

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**ALICE’S ADVENTURES EXCURSION**

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

All Students will be attending the Murwillumbah Civic Centre to see a performance of Alice’s Adventures by the Murwillumbah Theatre Company on Friday 31st October at 10.00am.

Students will be leaving school at 9.15 and returning at 12.15pm

The total cost will be $8.50 for the performance and bus.

Students may take a snack and a small drink in a plastic bag with their name and class clearly labelled on the bag. They will be able to consume them in the interval.

Thank you,

Brad Davis
Principal

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**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE SCHOOL BY 24th OCTOBER 2014**

**ALICE’S ADVENTURES EXCURSION**

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

I give permission for my child/ren .......................................................... of class ......................

to attend the excursion to the Civic Centre on Friday 31st October to see Alice’s Adventures.

I understand the students will be travelling by bus.

I have enclosed $8.50 for the excursion (044-402)

Signed: ........................................................................................................ Date: ........................................

(Parent/Caregiver)
TRICKS FOR ENCOURAGING KIDS TO READ
Is your child a reluctant reader? Why not try helping them find the book that goes with a movie or DVD they’ve enjoyed, or are about to see. Encouraging your child to read can help them to build their imagination as well as giving them a better vocabulary. Kids who read different types of books develop a wide range of language skills and are better placed to understand different types of texts as they progress into high school. School A to Z has lots of tips and ideas on encouraging your child to read, at http://bit.ly/HLPmB9

HOW MUCH WATER DOES YOUR CHILD REALLY NEED?
Staying hydrated is even more important during the warmer months. Every part of your body needs water to work properly and dehydration can lead to painful kidney stones. Many people don’t feel thirsty until they are already dehydrated, so packing a drink bottle with your child's school lunch is a good reminder for them to drink during the day. Sports drinks and juices are popular with kids, but they often contain a lot of sugar. To find out the recommended daily intake of water for your child’s age at http://bit.ly/ZjwUjo

LEAVING YOUR CHILD AT HOME ALONE
At some point it will be necessary to leave your child home alone for a short period of time. There is no actual law in Australia that states what age a child can be left alone, but parents are legally responsible for their child’s safety and wellbeing. You may be nervous the first few times (although most kids are excited about the independence) so making some clear 'home alone' rules with your child gives them an understanding of their boundaries and how to stay safe. Read more here: http://bit.ly/1u5vTa9

TEAM SPORTS – MORE THAN HEALTH BENEFITS
As well as helping kids stay fit and healthy, team sports help them learn that things don’t go their way all the time and that they need to respect their peers. Sports also help children and teens with resilience, how to respond to setbacks and loads more benefits discussed here: http://bit.ly/HlgxVO

COMMUNITY NOTICE

We Support

Do YOU look after someone who has...
* long term illness?
* disability?
* mental illness?

Do YOU do things like...
shopping, cooking, cleaning, paying bills, help with showering & dressing, give medication & offer support then..

YOU are a young carer

We may be able to help YOU with..
* Respite — need a break
* Help at home
* Getting to sport or other activities
* Tutoring or time to study

FreeCall™ 1800 052 222*
*(calls from mobiles charged at applicable rates)
The Commonwealth Respite & Carelink Centre will talk to you and your family about how we may be able to support YOU!
Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Students will be attending a 5 day Swimming Intensive Program from the 3rd Nov until the 7th Nov leaving school at 11.00am by bus and returning in time for the school buses.

The total cost of the program is $45.00.

Parents are able to start paying the money off in instalment to make it easier.

Thank you,

Brad Davis
Principal

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE SCHOOL BY 29th OCTOBER 2014

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

I give permission for my child ……………………………………………………………. of class ………………

to attend the intensive swimming program from Monday 3rd November each day for 5 days from 11.00 am.

I understand that Friday’s lesson will include one hour of supervised waterslide activity.

The students will be travelling by bus.

Swimming Ability

☐ 50m unaided  ☐ 10m unaided

☐ 25m unaided  ☐ Non-Swimmer

Please find enclosed ☐ $45.00 or part payment of  ☐ $ ……………….

Signed: ……………………………………………………………………… Date: …………………………….

(Parent/Caregiver)

(Please use a separate form for each student more forms available in the office)

All money must be paid in full by the 29th October 2014 however you may start paying the amount off in instalments straight away