Murphys Creek Community Newsletter

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Murphy's Creek Challenge

True or false? Mice live for up to 10 years

True

False

Congratulations to our Main Cast

The auditions are over and now the hard work begins.

Our main performers have been announced and matched to their characters.

Congratulations to:

- Alan Ryan - Prof. Fenton
- Daniel Gotz - Daniel Stoker
- Indie Collyer - Gloria
- Jess Green— Elsa
- Tagan Smith, Lili Peachey & Caitlyn Gotz - ‘The Superbs’

No Breakfast, Craft or Modelling Group this Thursday due to Caffey Sports carnival. It will resume Thursday 15th August usual times.

School Opinion Survey

The School Opinion Survey has been sent home to each school family. Please complete your copy of the survey on the form provided and return before Friday August 9th.

Alternatively go online and type the following web address into your computer’s browser https://websurvey.eq.edu.au/perseus/surveys/SOSparent.

Enter the access codes on your form to complete the survey.

Having your say helps us continue the good things you value and remove the things that don’t work. It also alerts us to the things we are missing and sends us on a mission of discovery.

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“Strive to Excel”
School Motto

Urgent Call for Volunteers

I don’t often beg...but I am very concerned that we will not have enough volunteers to run our portion of the Murphys Creek Trail ride. We had a great response to our last call but after the ride was postponed, the new date is not suitable for about 6 of our main volunteers.

Please... if you think you could possibly donate 4 hours or so on September 13, 14 or 15, we need you!

Tasks include registering riders, serving on the canteen, working behind the scenes in the kitchen, rubbish collection, toilet cleaning and re-stocking.

Money from this ride goes to our school and pays for things just like the buses to swimming and improvements such as the paths we have recently received.

Please call in and see Lyndal, phone her on 46305167 or email on lsym01@eq.edu.au

Don’t Be a Resiliency Robber

All parents have the best of intentions when raising kids. Wanting what is best for kids can cause parents to make decisions that are not always in their children’s long-term interests. – Michael Grose

Robber #1—Fight all their battles for them

Nothing wrong with going into bat when kids struggle or meet with difficulty inside or outside school but make sure this is the last resort, not the first option.

Build resilience by: Giving kids the opportunity to develop their own resourcefulness.

Robber #2—Make their problems, your problem

Sometimes parents can take too much responsibility for issues that are really up to children to work out or decide. If you are wondering the type of thing I’m referring to: a jumper is something a mother puts on her son when she is cold!

Build resilience by: Making their problem, their problem.

Curriculum Corner

Searching through catalogues allows students to make connections and comparisons between what they know about the world in which they live and the ideas portrayed in texts. The focus for Catalogue Searches is the decisions authors make when creating catalogue advertisements.

– Provide students with a collection of advertising catalogues either from a particular time of the year, such as summer, or focused on selling similar products, such as toys, books, children's clothes, camping gear.

– Have them skim through the catalogues. Discuss the types of items that are for sale.

– Involve them in discussion of which images are presented in the different catalogues. Focus their thinking by asking leading questions.

– Who can you see in the pictures?

– In what way are the people in the pictures the same?

– How do you think the people in these pictures feel?

– Who might be interested in the things in this catalogue but are not represented here?

– Would you like these sorts of clothes/games/food?

Tuckshop

Normal Tuckshop menu applies for Friday. Orders in by Wednesday.

Playgroup

9am each Monday

Bring a hat, water bottle & a snack.

All Welcome!
Our focus: Active Listening
Listening & Hearing are 2 different things

L = Look interested - get interested
I = Involve yourself by responding
S = Stay on target
T = Test your understanding
E = Evaluate the message
N = Neutralise your feelings

Our KidsMatter focus
Awareness of difference: Autism

This week we had an Autism awareness afternoon. We watched a DVD by Autism Queensland that explained the basic aspects of Autism and how it can affect students who have it and those around them. Some of our own students who have Autism, spoke to the students about things that cause them stress and things they enjoy doing at school, as the students listened.

We found a lot of shared activities the students enjoyed while gaining a shared understanding of the condition.

Pictures in anti-clockwise order:
Music Award– Jayven
Reading Eggs Award– Mitchell & Alan
Highly commended—Gatton Show Entry for our garden entry.
High 5 winners– Eli, Jesse & Lili
What’s On

Come and Have an Enjoyable Day of Country Music With Ted & Friends
To help raise funds for The Murphys Creek Neighbourhood Centre
Sunday 11 August, 2013
12 to 5pm
at the Murphys Creek Community Centre

Various Artists, including
GUEST ARTISTS
GED & TRUDY HINTL & BAND
BYO Lunch
$7 ENTRY includes afternoon tea
Lucky Door Prize & Minit-Draw Raffles
Cold Drinks on sale
All Welcome
For further information call
Ted Hankin 4630 5143

POSTMANS RIDGE PIONEERS MEMORIAL HALL

DANCE NIGHT
with Ray Binno

Saturday, August 17
8pm to midnight
$10 entry includes supper

WORKING BEE
At the old Murphys Creek Hall

We need your help. On Saturday 10 August the Progress Assn will be clearing out the old hall in readiness for restoration. Please come along and help; many hands equal less time spent on the job.

Some start

SCRAPBOOKING/CARD-MAKING

These mornings are held on the third Monday each month, from 9:30am. The next will be on 19 August.

For more information, call Margaret, 4630 5191 or Trudy, 4630 5084 or come along and try it out on the day. Members bring a plate of morning tea to share, and pay 50 cents towards the cost of hot drinks.

COMING EVENTS

DATE CLAIMERS
SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER

Watch future newsletters and community signs for more information closer to these dates:

Saturday 7 September
Market Day afternoontea, 2pm. To help raise funds to send Elsie Caudle to Cambodia. Lots of craft and home-baked goodies for sale. (4630 5084 for details)

Wednesday 26 October
Car Boot Sale on the MCG, organised by Murphys Creek Progress Assn. Your trash is someone else’s treasure. Turn unwanted items into cash. Details in October newsletter.

Saturday 9 November
Sausage Sizzle, a day fundraiser for the Murphys Creek Neighbourhood Centre, at Bunnings in Toowoomba. Come along and help at our stall, or support us by buying a sanger.

Saturday 7 December
Candles by Candlelight at the MCG will return in 2013. The Murphys Creek Fire Brigade will bring Santa to the MCG on the fire truck and Santa’s toy bag will be left in the Murphys Creek General Store for you to leave gifts for Santa to deliver to your children on the night. This has always been a fun night for the whole community so we hope to see you there.

Any community advertising is placed free of charge. Just email your advertisement to admin@murpcreess.eq.edu.au

Advertisements should be received by Thursday each week. Publication is not guaranteed