

## QSchools App



The Highland Reserve school community now has a new way to interact with the school using the QSchools smartphone app. The QSchools app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information from and about HRSS. The app is designed to integrate with our school website, and allows users to see when news, events and newsletters are posted to the HRSS school website.

The school community can also receive emergency announcements such as natural disasters and school closures through the app.

The QSchools app will be particularly useful to parents who have students in different schools, as the app manages updates from multiple schools in a single view.

Android and iOS versions of the app are available for free download from the [iTunes Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

## Bright Dress Day



Thank you to everyone that contributed to the success of our Bright Dress Day today. All funds raised are going straight to the Asthma Foundation Queensland that will be used to help thousands of kids that suffer from asthma. Well done!

## Prep Information - students starting in 2014

### Prep Information Sessions

With Prep Enrolments for 2014 now open, Highland Reserve State School would like to invite families to attend the Prep Information Sessions for students commencing next year in Prep. There will be two sessions held on Tuesday September 17th at 9:00am and at 6:00pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Prep Enrolments for 2014 now open!

To be eligible for enrolment in Prep for 2014, a child must be born 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 (inclusive).

Please note that a Birth Certificate original or a certified copy (e.g. by a Justice of the Peace) will be required.

Children must also live within the Highland Reserve State School enrolment catchment area. Check your address using the [Office of Economic and Statistical Research website](#) or [catchment map \(PDF, 1.3 MB\)](#).

Evidence of residency is needed to prove you live within catchment upon enrolment.

Download the [enrolment package \(PDF, 2.7 MB\)](#).

## General Information

## Finance/Uniform Shop

Please be advised that the Finance window and Uniform Shop will be **closed** on Friday 20th September 2013.

It will reopen for the first day of Term 4 - Tuesday 8th October 2013.

## Cafe News

The Cafe will be **closed** on Friday 20th September.

It will reopen on Wednesday 9th October 2013.

## Uniform Purchasing 2014

With the end of year fast approaching, we would like to encourage all existing families to make their uniform purchases during Term 4 if possible. This will help with managing our stock supplies and parents can avoid the rush at the beginning of the year.

The uniform shop will be **closed** for the last week of Term 4 – Monday 9th December through Friday 13th December.

It will reopen on Monday 20th January 2014.

## Dental Van News

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All year levels have now had an information email offering the opportunity for dental treatment.

If you would like to take up this offer, please contact the Oral Health Call Centre on 1300 300 850 as soon as possible as we will be moving October 21.

**Please note that the clinic will also be closed from Oct 4 – 18 so if you wish an appointment you need to organise this now.**

If you have missed your appointment, you may rebook by contacting the Call Centre or come and see us at the van.

If your child has attended an emergency appointment, please ensure you book for a full examination as well.

We welcome parents to attend so we can discuss the dental progress of your child. However, if this is not possible, we may still see your child if you have completed a consent form. This form is available from us.

Note: Parents & Legal Guardians are the only people who may complete this form.

We do not have a timeframe for staying at the school. However, once our appointment bookings lessen we then move to our next school. Emergency appointments are then available for pain, swelling, fractured teeth & any other major concerns. Please note: a full examination will then not be available until we return to Highland Reserve State School in about 18 months time.

It is recommended that you ensure your children are cleaning their teeth every morning and night. Parents need to help their under 8s with this along with flossing, especially between the molars. Water should be brought to school and avoid packing sweet & sticky foods/drinks for school lunches. Tooth decay is a preventable disease. Your children need your help to fight this.

We look forward to welcoming you to our clinic,  
Katrina & Anghela

## School Banking News

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### School Banking Volunteers Needed

The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program includes an exciting new Rewards Program designed to encourage children to get into the habit of making regular savings. Every time students make a deposit at school they receive a Dollarmites token which can be redeemed for a range of exciting reward items in recognition of their regular savings. Students will have lots of fun saving their tokens for these cool gifts.

Our school would really like to actively participate in this program that will teach our children how to save regularly - an important habit to get into! All we need to get this great program started is a volunteer parent or grandparent to be the School Banking Co-ordinator. This only takes a small amount of your time one day a week. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising.

The Commonwealth Bank provides support to our School Banking Co-ordinators with the running of the program.

Please indicate your interest in volunteering for this great program by emailing me at [schoolbanking@hrsspandc.com.au](mailto:schoolbanking@hrsspandc.com.au).

### School Banking is every Thursday

This is a great fundraiser for our school. We receive \$5 for every child \$5 for every Activated Account via the School Banking program (i.e. for each student who banks through the school's program for the very first time) and 5% of every deposit made at school (up to a maximum of \$10 commission per individual deposit).

### Term 3 Competition!

Stay cool at school this summer by saving in Term 3 of School Banking!

Win a CommBank Marquee for your school or an iPad mini for yourself just by depositing to your CommBank School Banking Account.

The School with the highest percentage of active students making at least one school banking deposit in term 3 will win a marquee. Every student who completes a minimum of one school banking deposit in term 3 will be in the running to win a cool iPad mini or a Dollarmite Backpack!

For your chance to win, students need to simply make one or more School Banking deposits during Term 3. To find out more, talk to your School Banking Co-ordinator or visit your local branch.

Things to know before you Can: Competition opens 08/07/13 and closes 27/09/13. Competition is open to all Queensland School Banking Schools. The Promoter is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124. Full terms and conditions available in Branch.

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For more information, simply contact your School Banking Specialist or the School Banking Helpdesk on 1800 674 496.

Stay Connected:  
commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

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## Young Discoverers OSHC News

We will be closed on the Public Holiday for Labour day - 7th October 2013.

### Spring Holiday Vacation Care (September Holidays)

The Young Discoverers OSHC will be holding vacation care over the Spring Holiday.

Please fill in the [Young Discoverers OSHC Spring Holiday Vacation Care Forms \(PDF, 283 KB\)](#) and return them ASAP.

Each day please bring:

- Broad Brimmed hat
- Bring your helmet on Go Kart, Bike or Scooter days Drinks to last the day
- Morning tea/afternoon tea
- Lunch (Unless provided with the activity)

Please Note:

- Priority for existing families until 30th August 2013
- Activities start at 10:00am otherwise stated
- All belongings must be named - Lost items are your child's responsibility
- Fees to be paid in advance
- Cancellations less than 2 weeks before booked day incur full fees

### Pupil Free Day - 21st October 2013

The Young Discoverers OSHC will be holding a special full day of activities on the Pupil Free Day (21st October 2013).

Please fill in the [Young Discoverers OSHC Pupil Free Day Forms \(PDF, 353 KB\)](#) and return them ASAP. Any donations of pebbles, shells, driftwood etc would be very welcome.

Please Note:

- Priority for existing families until 23rd September 2013
- Activities start at 10:00am otherwise stated
- All belongings must be named- Lost items are your child's responsibility Fees to be paid in advance
- Cancellations less than 2 weeks before booked day incur full fees

## C&K Kindergarten Open Day

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C&K Highland Reserve Community Kindergarten  
**2013 OPEN DAY**  
10am – 1pm  
Saturday 14 September 2013

You're invited to come along and see what C&K Highland Reserve is all about.

- ★ Meet our teachers and assistants
- ★ Learn about *C&K Building waterfalls* teaching and learning guideline
- ★ Explore our great play spaces
- ★ Enjoy a sausage sizzle, face painting, art and craft
- ★ Take Home delicious cakes from our cake stall

**Where:** C&K Highland Reserve  
580 Reserve Road, Upper Coomera

**When:** 10am – 1pm  
Saturday 14 July

**Email:** [highlandreserve@candk.asn.au](mailto:highlandreserve@candk.asn.au)  
[www.candk.asn.au](http://www.candk.asn.au)



## C&K Kindergarten Enrolments 2014

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### Limited Spaces - Enrol Now!

At C&K Highland Reserve your child will experience many opportunities to explore, solve problems, develop friendships, imagine, use their creativity and extend their capabilities in language, literacy and numeracy.

If you would like your child to participate in a quality education care program which values your child's individuality and interests, you need to fill out a waiting list application now.

We are one of the very few Kindergarten's that have been ranked exceeding in all National Quality Areas by an independent assessor from the Office of Early Childhood, Education and Care.

You can access the form at <http://www.candk.asn.au/highlandres> or call in to see us at 580 Reserve Road (behind the school).

## Student Support Services News

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The Hero (By Liam M)





I was so excited because today was the big day. Missy Lulu came to Highland Reserve State School to teach us about the Amazing Army. First, I learned about Captain Immune and how my immune system inside my body fights the bad bugs. I got to be the star of the show and so did Daniel, Reid, Marcus, Liam, Hannah, Ashton, Mackenzie and Ethan.

Hannah was Sneaky Sweetie and she worked for the bad bugs. The bad bugs were germs and sickness and Major Energy helped the good guys to battle the bad bugs. I was Major Energy, the hero, and I got to wear a costume. I had a fast power, super strong power, eye vision powers, bouncy powers and brainy powers. I got all of my powers from the rainbow of fruit and vegetables.

After that we joined the mission to help the good guys to have super powers all day long. On our mission we have to eat rainbow fruit and vegetables for five days. We will earn the Major Energy Award if we eat every colour of the rainbow; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Finally, my favourite part was dressing up because I was one of the heroes of the show. I give the show a rating of 10/10. Congratulations to everyone that participated!



## Year 4 News - St Helena Island Excursion

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On Tuesday 3 September, 76 year four students attended a fantastic excursion to St Helena Island. It was both interesting and adventurous! We learnt what life was like for a convict in a colonial maximum security prison. The "Cat o' Nine Tails" whip was feared by all prisoners but not as much as solitary confinement which sent some prisoners crazy! Prisoner number 31 and the guard were very funny! We toured the entire island, getting up close to the ruins of what was once the jail, the bakery and the hospital to name a few. The saddest part of the day was seeing the children's cemetery. The boat ride was a great experience with some moderate winds making it extra exciting! We learnt so much to help us with our English and History assessment this term. An extra big thank you to the teacher aids and parents that assisted us on this fabulous day!

Miss D, Mr Moodley and Miss Le Strange and the year 4 students



## Year 5C News

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### Movie World Excursion

On Wednesday the 21st of August, the year five students went on an excursion to Movie World. Chris, Tanya and Robert (who are various actors in the theme park) talked to us about screen presence, how you can improvise and characterisation. After lunch, we enjoyed some free time on the rides. 5C thoroughly enjoyed themselves especially when we heard Mrs Ross screaming on the rides.

By Abbey

### English

In English this term we have been learning to analyse poems. We have also learnt how to turn a poem into a narrative and adding all the character details. Some of the characters from the poem had no physical appearance described so we had to imagine what they looked like and describe it to our audience. This was my favourite part of the English Assessment.

Another topic we did in English is creating our own school anthem for Highland Reserve State School. In groups, we had to make our own anthem with stanzas and rhyme and rhythm. Some of the poems that were edited and completed were sent up to Mr Roach's office.

By Chelsea and Mackensie

### Maths News

This term in Maths we have been learning to do the written way of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We have then been using these skills to do basic and multi-step problem solving.

We have also been learning to do all sorts of measurements in maths e.g mass, volume, capacity, area and perimeter.

Jai and Nathan

## Community News

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### Upper Coomera Branch Library

#### Children's Book Week 2013

Get your words out! Gold Coast kids can write a story or poem and be in the running to win an iPad, in the 'Words out' creative writing competition. Children who are Gold Coast residents can enter in one of two categories: 11 years old and under; and 12 to 17 years old. The winner of each age category will receive a new iPad!

Prizes have been generously donated by the Friends of the Library.

To enter, children should write an original story or poem of up to 1000 words inspired by the 2013 Children's Book Week theme: 'Across the universe'.

Include your name, age and contact details with your typed entry and drop it off at a Gold Coast branch library, or email it to

[lcs@goldcoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:lcs@goldcoast.qld.gov.au) by 5:00pm, Friday 11 October.

### Regular activities

#### Homework Help

Learn about online and print resources available at the Library to make homework easier. Homework Help is held every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 4:00 – 5:00 pm.

#### Wink, Blink, Think

After school games and activities for 6 – 12 year olds. Wink, Blink, Think is on every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 3.30pm – 4.30 pm.

### Coming soon...

These activities will be starting in September.

#### Book bites reading club

Join a book club especially for kids! Hear what others are reading and share some of your favourite books. This book club is for 6 – 12 year olds.

## Hype

For the teens, this session will be hands-on with trending technology, books, movies and tunes!

## Creative writing club for teens

Fun games and exercises to help with the creative writing process

## Village Family Support Program

Village Family Support Program is running 'Bringing Up Great Kids' parent course. The course covers strategies and increases confidence of parents to be more effective and have clear communication with your children.

See the link below for information about the program commencing Tuesday mornings in August 2013, contact Nikki at Studio Village Community Centre, located off Exit 62 for more information or to discuss your needs. Nikki, as Family Support Worker also offers individual support for those who need someone to talk to for information, advice or referral, including 1-1 parent courses, call between 9:00am and 3:00pm Monday to Friday for an appointment.

Below is the link to the flyer on our website, for your information.

[http://www.studiovillage.com.au/CMS/?Family\\_Support:Current\\_Programs](http://www.studiovillage.com.au/CMS/?Family_Support:Current_Programs)

## Northern Gold Coast Communities for Children



### NORTHERN GOLD COAST COMMUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

Oxenford and Coomera Community Youth Centre (OCCYC), 25 Tamborine  
Oxenford Rd 4210, Oxenford Ph: 55804995/55298087



| <b>FREE PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS: Term Three, 2013</b>   |  |
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| <b>PARENTING MADE EASIER</b>   | <p><i>This is a 6 week program written from a Counsellors perspective who has many years experience working with families. To understand our children's behaviour, we first must understand the purpose behind their behaviour. This program arms you with strategies to teach your children respect, co-operation and responsibility.</i></p> <p><b>Mon : 5<sup>th</sup> August – 16<sup>th</sup> September: ( not 12<sup>th</sup> August public holiday) 9:30am – 12:00midday (St Georges Hall, Cnr Dapsang Drive, Tamborine Mountain)</b><br/><b>Mon: 12<sup>th</sup> August – 16<sup>th</sup> September: 9:30am – 12:00midday (OCCYC)</b><br/><b>Wed 7<sup>th</sup> August – 11<sup>th</sup> September : 6:30pm – 8:30pm (OCCYC)</b></p> |
| <b>1,2,3 MAGIC &amp; EMOTION COACHING PARENTING COURSE</b>   | <p><i>A 3 session program for parents and carers to help promote positive behaviour and manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old. Learn how to help your kids become better at managing their emotions.</i></p> <p><b>Mon 29<sup>th</sup> July – 12<sup>th</sup> Aug: 6:30pm – 8:30pm (Koala Kindy, 51 Ashford Rd, Helensvale)</b><br/><b>Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> August – 29<sup>th</sup> August: 9:30am – 11:30am (OCCYC)</b><br/><b>Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> August – 29<sup>th</sup> August: 6:30pm – 8:30pm (Good Start Learning Centre, 1 Michigan Drive, Oxenford)</b></p>  |
| <b>BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS</b>  | <p><i>This 6 week course is a practical and inspiring approach to parenting that uses mindful reflection to support parents to; review and understand their patterns of communication with their children; promote more respectful interactions; and encourage the development of children's positive self identity</i></p> <p><b>Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> August – 6<sup>th</sup> September: 9:30am – 11:30am: (FSG – 3 Jowett Street, Coomera)</b></p>   |
| <b>RELATIONSHIP RESCUE</b>   | <p><i>This 6 week program offers an opportunity to explore ways to have a fabulous relationship, to repair a broken relationship or understand why the relationship isn't working. Relationships include parents, siblings, work associates, partners, spouses and children.</i></p> <p><b>Tues 6<sup>th</sup> August – 10<sup>th</sup> Sept: 6:30-8:30pm (OCCYC)</b></p>  |
| <b>BABY SITTING TRAINING</b>   | <p><i>For 12 – 17 year olds, this 6 week course is a practical and fun approach to baby sitting. The course covers interacting with kids, basic first aid, and tips on managing difficult behaviours. A certificate of attendance is provided at the end, supporting you to gain employment.</i></p> <p><b>Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> August – 5<sup>th</sup> September: 4:00pm-6:00pm (OCCYC)</b></p>   |
| <b>Building a Confident Self</b>   | <p><i>This 6 week program nurtures the development of a healthy self esteem, supporting you to fulfil your goals in life.</i></p> <p><b>Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> August – 19<sup>th</sup> September : 10:00am – 12:00 Midday (OCCYC)</b></p>  |
| <p>While parents participate in our day programs, children who require childminding can participate in "Kids at Play" activity group (0-5 years accepted). A kid at Play is \$4.00 per child, numbers are limited and <u>bookings are essential</u>.<br/>Fee to be paid prior to commencing program.</p> <p><b><u>Please phone 5580 4995/5529 8087 to book a place and / or to register your child/children for childminding</u></b></p> |  |
| <p><b>Note:</b> Whilst all due care is taken to undertake programs regularly, they can be subject to change. Please ensure you book prior to attending any programs.</p>   | <p>Communities for Children is an initiative of the Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs</p>   |



## Pimpama State Secondary College Signature Program



**Signature Programs  
Application Process**

**MUSIC EXCELLENCE**  
By audition: short solo performance (instrument or vocal). Bring own instrument and/or music.

**DANCE EXCELLENCE**  
Workshop: students will be led through exercises to demonstrate flexibility and technique.

**DRAMA EXCELLENCE**  
Workshop: Students will be led through improvisation exercises.

**DESIGN EXCELLENCE (DESIGNATURE)**  
Students will be led through a short design challenge to demonstrate creativity, critical thinking and communication.

**AUDITION/WORKSHOP DATES**  
**Wednesday September 11 3.30pm—6.00pm**  
H Block

**Pimpama State Secondary College  
Programs of Excellence 2014**

Pimpama State Secondary College is proud to announce the launch of the first range of Excellence (Signature) Programs to commence in 2014.

These programs in Performance Arts and Design Excellence will be offered in Year 7, 8 and 9 from the start of the 2014 school year.

The Signature Programs are aimed at students who have an interest and talent in the performing arts or have demonstrated interest or ability in the fields of Design, Creative Arts and Technology. The creative talents and potential of students in the Signature Programs will be developed and extended through:

- ◊ A unique and individualized curriculum designed to challenge and nurture student ability.
- ◊ Enrolment in signature classes to be challenged and supported by 'like-minded' peers.
- ◊ Access to specialist teachers with extensive knowledge, skill and experience in their fields.
- ◊ Opportunities to collaborate with industry professionals through the college's partnerships with Asia Pacific Design Library and Arts Qld.

For more information see: [Pimpama SSC Curriculum Handbook, 2013-2014](#) or contact Mrs. Rebecca Costello (Performance) [rcost37@eq.edu.au](mailto:rcost37@eq.edu.au), Mr Adam Jefford (Design) [ajeff76@eq.edu.au](mailto:ajeff76@eq.edu.au)

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