



Creaney

EDUCATION SUPPORT CENTRE

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Important Dates:

Tuesday 9th December – Belridge ESC High School Transition for Year 7s

Thursday 11th December (9:30 am) - Creaney ESC Graduation Ceremony

Thursday 18th December – Last day of school for students. (Santa's visit)



Alaister's Christmas Card

Artwork:

Andrea Mitchell MLA visited school last week to present Alaister with a framed copy of his winning Christmas Card design.

Andrea chose Alaister's design for her official 2015 Christmas cards.

This is a huge honour for both Alaister and Creaney ESC - our fame will be spread widely this festive season! Andrea also gave Alaister's family some copies of the card to use for their own seasonal greetings.

The Centre also received a framed copy which we have hung in pride of place in the front office.

Congratulations Alaister!

World Festival of Magic:

We have been sent some free tickets to the 6 pm session of the World Festival of Magic show on Wednesday 10th December. If you are interested in taking the family to this show, give Gaye a call on 9409 6344 and tell her how many tickets you need.

SDD Dates for 2015:

Each WA government school is expected to schedule 6 School Development Days during 2015. Students do not attend on these days as staff members are involved in professional development and curriculum planning activities. Some of these days are consistent across all schools and some are picked at the discretion of each individual school. The School Council have worked with our admin team to select the 2015 dates for Creaney ESC. To assist with your forward planning these dates are printed below:

29th and 30th January (before the start of the school year)

Monday 20th April (start of Term 2)

Monday 20th July (Ed. Support North Network Conference)

Monday 12th October (start of Term 4)

Friday 18th December (at the end of the school year)

Room 2 Camp:

Last week the students from Room 2 took part in a 'sleepover camp'. They spent their first day visiting Landsdale Farm and then returned to school for lots of fun afternoon activities. These included water play, 'grooming time', movies and dancing. They then cooked their dinner and settled down to sleep in the classrooms. Staff arriving at school on Friday morning were hoping to catch all of the little angels (and staff) still tucked up in bed but they were so organised that they were already showered, changed and breakfasted and ready for the next day's excursion. All of the students were beautifully behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to practise their independency skills in a different context. Special thanks go to all of the Room 2 staff who gave up family time to take part in this experience.



Summer Reading Club:

All children are encouraged to register for the Australian Summer Reading Club. It costs nothing to enter and encourages children to engage with books (either by reading themselves, being read to or by completing fun online activities.) Register online at www.summerreadingclub.org.au and you go in to the draw to win one of 8 iPods. There are also 10 online competitions for children to participate in. More information at your local library.

End of Year Concert:

The end of year concert is always a real highlight in the Creaney calendar. Last night's performance was no exception. It is always wonderful to see so many family, friends, and previous staff and students in the audience. We were so proud to see how brilliantly each child played their part. The night truly is a celebration of how far each child has come since the same time the previous year. I know parents will join me in thanking all of the staff for their hard work – especially the time some of them have spent making those impressive costumes!





Graduation Ceremony:

We say goodbye to 15 Year 6 and 7 students this year as they make the move to High School in 2015. All families are invited to join us in farewelling these students at a Graduation Ceremony on Thursday 11th December at 9:30 am. This will be a very special occasion and one that we look forward to with mixed feelings. It is always sad to say goodbye but we are also very proud of how far each of these students have come during their time at Creaney and feel very confident about how well they are all going to manage this next stage of their schooling.

Hope to see many of you there,
Kind Regards,

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