Principal Note
Where has the time gone? I have had the pleasure of acting in Cat Marcooly's role as Principal over the past 4 weeks which I have thoroughly enjoyed. It has been lovely spending time with all the students that make up Creaney Education Support Centre. I feel extremely proud of all the students at Creaney ESC, especially over the last two weeks during swimming lessons. I see that with the support and encouragement from the amazing staff that make up Creaney ESC our students felt supported enough to get straight into the pool and engage in a variety of activities that they weren't overly familiar with. One of the highlights whilst being at Creaney would be the visits I receive from students each and every day. The students are always so proud of their work and their achievements. I hope to return to Creaney again in the near future. In the mean time I wish all the students, staff and families all the very best for the remainder of the year. Thank you for all your support over the last few weeks

Best wishes,

Mrs Shayne Hutchings

School council meeting
Reminder – School Council Meeting – Monday May 23, 2016 (Creaney ESC 7pm).
We would like to remind our School Council members that there is a meeting next week – Monday May 23, 2016 (7:00pm meet and greet, 7:10 pm meeting starts).
We will review the minutes from the last meeting and discuss upcoming plans for 2016.
We look forward to seeing you!

Bus Bay
Parents please note – within the Creaney ESC car park is a bus bay. We ask that parents and carers leave this bay free in order for the school bus to park for school pick-ups and drop offs. We also need to keep this bay free in case of an emergency and an ambulance is called to the school. Anyone parking in this bay will be asked to park elsewhere. We thank you for your cooperation.
Professional Development

MORE SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: STUDENT SUPPORT NETWORK PROGRAM 2016

All Teaching staff at Creaney Education Support Centre will be part of a professional learning opportunity led by Cat Marcoolyn and Gemma Yeoman’s over the next 12 months. The Education Support North Network put in an application to be part of the Student Support Network Program in 2015 to commence in 2016 and the application was successful. Creaney ESC is one of the partner schools under the Education Support North Network. Cat Marcoolyn and Gemma Yeomans will attend and coordinate all professional learning linked to the SSNP.

The Student Support Network Program (SSNP) aims to build the capacity of networks and their schools in meeting the educational needs of students with disability and imputed disability by developing their skills, knowledge and understanding around curriculum, assessment and reporting. The SSNP facilitates targeted professional learning with ongoing mentoring support, to address highlighted areas of need for individual networks and schools. The key focus elements of curriculum, assessment, reporting and making adjustments are designed to encourage consistent practices and process in the participating networks’ schools ensuring effective outcomes for students with disability.

Whole School Assembly
Reminder to parents that Creaney ESC whole schools assemblies will commence in week 5, Friday May 27th. We encourage parents, carers and family members to attend assemblies which will start promptly each and every Friday at 9:15 sharp in room 5. The students have been attending informal assemblies in term one. During this time we have been practising listen and attending skills as well as establishing routines and structures. Each class will take turns to run an assembly starting with C1 on the 27th May. We are always very proud of our students, as standing in front of an audience can be quite difficult for many. Parents will be notified prior to the assembly date whether their child is receiving a certificate in case you need to make prior arrangements to attend. We hope to see as many parents as possible at our first whole school assembly next Friday.

School Reports
Teachers have been busy assessing student progress and are getting ready to write individual reports that will be given out to parents at the end of term 2. Students have been working extremely hard over the semester working on individual outcomes. We are all very proud of the progress each and every student has made so far this year. Please feel free to approach your teacher if you have any questions or concerns about your child’s progress. We value the contribution of our parents.
Swimming
This week marks the end of our fortnight of swimming lessons which have been very successful with all students making noticeable progress in skills or confidence. We have been very lucky to have had smaller swimming groups this year which has allowed the students to get lots of one to one time with teachers to build on their skills and become more confident in the water. We are also very fortunate that our staff are willing to get in their bathers to swim with the children as this not only assists with safety but also greatly supports each child’s progress. Thank you to all of our adult swimmers – your cooperation with this makes a huge difference.

Students from room 3 are waiting patiently for their swimming instructors to collect them.

Anthony is always excited at swimming time. He has a smile from ear to ear.

The students from C1 and C2 are all ready and roaring to go in their bathers. Such a lovely group shot.
Jade is concentrating and listening to her swimming teacher to perfect her breastroke kick. Well done Jade.

Sawyer, Rihanna and Brock start their swimming lesson by engaging in a game of Ring around the Rosie before submerging their heads under water.

Sawyer is perfecting his ability to float on his back with his Classroom Teacher Miss Andrews.

Our room 1 students are excited and can’t wait to get into the pool.
Blake in room 2 is practising to kick his legs with Kimberly his Education Assistant. Keep up the good work Blake.

Michael, Jayme and Jade are all working very hard to use the kick boards to blow bubbles, kick legs and perfect their overarm stroke.

Goodbye and Good luck
Sadly we say goodbye to Mrs Creer, our classroom teacher in room 2 who is off to have a baby. We wish Mrs Creer and her family all the best during this precious time. We can’t wait to meet the sweet new addition. Even though we will miss her while they’re at home with their beautiful little baby, we encourage you to take your time and enjoy your maternity leave. Make sure that when you are ready Jodanne that you pop in for a visit to show off the new addition. All the best from everyone at Creaney ESC.

Welcome back
Creaney ESC would like to welcome back Gemma Yeoman’s who had taken leave from Creaney ESC in 2015 to take up work teaching at North Balga Language Development Centre. Gemma returned to Creaney ESC earlier this week and has been working closely with Mrs Creer to do handover and ensure the students in room two make a seamless transition from one teacher to the next. Gemma is a very enthusiastic Level 3 teacher and we are all very excited to have her back.

Kind Regards,

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