

Newsletter

Term 1 2021

Term 2 Date Claimers

Term 2 Dates	19/04/21 – 25/06/21
P&C Meeting	27/04/21 25/05/21 (face-to-face)
Let's Connect	
Peninsula	21/04/21 – 22/04/21
Savannah	28/04/21 – 29/04/21
Annual School Camp	
Prep-7	24/05/21 – 26/05/21
10-12	24/05/21 – 27/05/21
Cultural & Wellbeing Day & NAIDOC Day	27/05/21
Sports Day	28/05/21
Music Camp	14/06/21 – 25/06/21
STEAM Camp	17/06/21 – 18/06/21

Principal's Report



Greetings to you all and welcome to our first newsletter of 2021. In this edition we celebrate the achievements of our students in various arenas, identify our improvement agenda and outline the steps for our school's next four years.

This year our improvement agenda is focussed on:

- *Developing viable pathways for our students in further education, training or employment*
- *Implementing a whole of school moderation process*
- *Providing timely, specific, understandable and actionable feedback to our students and home tutors.*

We look forward to working with you to continue our refinement process to ensure we are all operating to support the learning and well-being for all of our students.

Further into this edition you will read about our student successes at recent events. One of the highlights featured is our student leaders who attended the International Women's Day event held in Cairns. Our students also impress with entries into the Young Archies Portrait Competition. Some of our school-based Japanese students from South Johnstone State School discuss some of their recent activities with our school.

New staff members to our school are presented in the Staff News section. We are pleased to welcome such a diverse range of talent to our school. A particular highlight for our staff this term was the receipt of a highly bestowed honour by the Japanese Consulate. For the first time in 15 years the Consul-General awarded the 'Certificate of Commendation' to our school at the Japanese Emperor's Birthday Celebration. It is in recognition of our school's 'distinguished service to the deepening of ties between Japan and Australia.' We are deeply honoured to receive this award and we are exceptionally proud of the work that our Japanese team does at our school.

In 2020 the Education Improvement Branch reviewed our school. One of the key findings includes our need to 'establish and implement a collaborative visioning process in preparation for the development of the next four-year strategic plan, ensuring it has contextual clarity and a focus on maximising student learning.' We will begin our consultation process for our new school vision throughout term two in a variety of forums. Broadly speaking our visioning process involves a four-step plan:

1. Understanding our school's context and the values that we hold dear
2. Collaborating to review our vision and values
3. Aligning our vision and actions
4. Reflecting, recognising and refreshing our school.

The end result of this process is the articulation of who our school community is, what we value and what our desired future is. I look forward to working with you to this end.

Planning is well underway for the 2021 Cairns to Karumba Bike Ride at the end of June. Currently we have over 130 riders registered for our P&C's major fundraising event of the year. You can check out how you can support the ride by visiting the [C2K website](#). If you would like to leave a donation you can visit our [Team Cairns SDE 2021](#) page and complete the details.

Finally, I take this opportunity to thank our P&C for their ongoing support of our school. This year the following people form our P&C Executive:

- President: Judith Eriksen (continuing)
- Secretary: Laurie Weeden
- Treasurer: Melissa Fitzgerald (continuing)

I also thank our outgoing secretary Juanita Saal. Juanita is an outstanding member of the community and a tireless advocate for the families of the Savannah Cluster. Sadly for us, the Saal Family is relocating to the Charters Towers district. We wish them all the very best for their new adventure. At a personal level, I have learnt so much from Juanita and her family and I will miss them greatly at our school events and at the Croydon leg of the bike ride.

I wish you all a safe and happy autumn vacation during these uncertain and sometimes difficult times. During this holiday period I hope you are able to identify all the things in our lives that we can be grateful for. (And if you believe in the large, white and elusive bilby, I hope that you find plenty of 'eggs' in the bottom of your garden.)

Kind regards

Andrew Oliver

Principal

Parent Liaison Officer

Welcome to all our Cairns SDE Families

What a crazy ride this term has been! I hope that you are all able to take care of yourselves amongst the millions of things to do whilst parenting, schooling, working, studying or living! I just thought I would give a few quick updates on a few things I have been working on regarding my role as the Parent Liaison Officer. ☺

Community Engagement Events – Let's Connect – Cairns and Tablelands

During the Let's Connect – Home Tutor Sessions for Cairns and Tablelands events, it was absolutely wonderful to see new Home Tutors building connections with our more experienced families and finding similarities or likenesses between experiences, challenges and successes with becoming a part of Cairns SDE.



We worked on our relationships and communication skills by:

- Talking about what had been going on around the school
- Changes in the making to the Home Tutor materials
- Playing some fun games
- Spying on the kids dancing and
- Brainstorming for Camp/Mini School Activities for our students and families.

I came away from both events feeling grateful for the connections that I had also made and the way our families opened up to one another, so thank you to everyone who could make it (especially Tablelands 2.0 family's ☺). To everyone that couldn't make it I look forward to catching up in Term 2!



Home Tutor Connect Sessions

In case you don't know, these sessions provide an opportunity for our Home Tutors to put forward questions about the school. Our hope is that we can provide the answers to questions in the meeting, help point you in the direction that would suit your situation and connect new and experienced families. Thank you and apologies to those who tried to attend the Home Tutor Connect Session in Term 1 - Week 2 and 6. Unfortunately, due to the unforeseen medical departure of Jody Johnstone our Deputy Principal and Leader of Community Engagement in Week 2, the session was missed. Then in Week 6 we had our Let's Connect Events in the region so the session was postponed to Week 7.

In Term 2 - Home Tutor Connect Sessions will be Thursday at 2:30pm in Week 3 and Week 7 via Blackboard Collaborate and any question you may want to put forward, please feel free to email them to me at cstan197@eq.edu.au.

Next on the List

- Planning for Camp and Mini School Home Tutor Sessions
- Work on the materials available for our Home Tutors
- Any other contact regarding/from Cairns SDE Home Tutors

To every Home Tutor, Parent or Carer, if you have anything you would like assistance with or just to have a chat, please feel free to contact me on (07) 4080 9208.

Have a safe and happy holiday break!

Crystal Stanley,
Parent Liaison Officer

Student News

Young Archies Portrait Competition



The exhibition of 24 finalist works will be held at the Courthouse at the Cairns Arts Precinct from 31 March – 1 May 2021. 100 works receiving honourable mentions will be presented as a digital exhibition on the Gallery's website and prizes will be awarded to one artist in each age category for the finalist exhibitions.

Mabel (Year 6), Aaliyah (Year 6) and Ellarisha (Year 5) have entered their amazing artwork pieces in the Young Archies Portrait Competition coming up at the Cairns Art Gallery. Be sure to check them out at the exhibition from 31 March – 1 May 2021.

Well done Mabel, Aaliyah and Ellarisha!

Global Food Studies

When simple foods look this good...

Grade 10 Global Food Studies are currently studying food securities and identifying the how poverty affects food security on a global scale. Cooking simple inexpensive dishes was a part of this terms work returns. Ava has completed the tasks

Global Food Studies

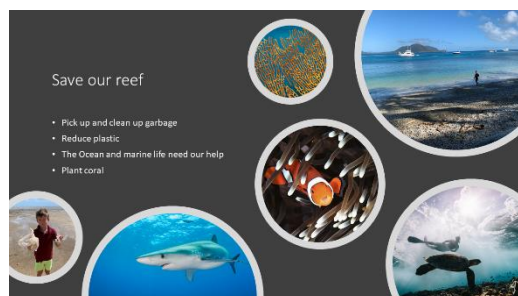
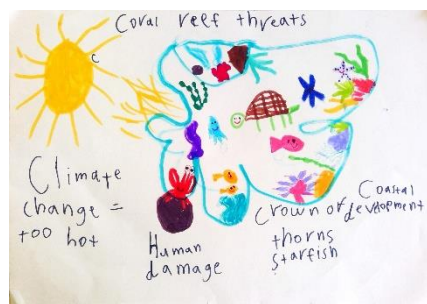


exceptionally well, taking pride in her presentation and making the cheapest of meals, look the best. Great work Ava!

Reef Guardian School Challenge!

Some students from P- 6 Enviro Club have submitted great posters linked to Reef Guardian Schools program. The topic for this challenge was 'Threats to our Coral Reefs.' Well Done Isla (Year 1) and Jax (Year 4).

Should students be interested in participating in Enviro Club please contact Ken Callaghan (Prep- Year 6) kcall43@eq.edu.au or Andrea Watters (Year 7-12) awatt84@eq.edu.au.



International Women's Day Breakfast

Ms Ros Scott and students Tiahn (Year 12) and Angel (Year 12) attended the International Women's Day Breakfast on Monday 8 March hosted by Cairns Regional Council at the Pullman Cairns International. This was an amazing opportunity to recognise and be inspired by the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women and girls in the Cairns community. Below are some words from Tiahn and Angel about International Women's Day and what it means to them.



International Women's Day Breakfast



Below are reflections written by Tiahn and Angel about their wonderful experience.

Angel (Year 12) Pictured below:



"I had a lovely time learning from other women and I'm thankful to have the opportunity to live in a country where we can openly share our gratitude and be able to celebrate our achievements. All the

women who performed, spoke and received awards that day inspire me to keep striving to be the best I can and even just by existing in the moment we can make a difference."

Tiahn (Year 12) Pictured below:



"Attending the independent women's day breakfast 2021 was an amazing opportunity I will never forget, not only was it a beautiful morning to celebrate women's achievements and

accomplishments, I was honoured to be in a room full of amazing young women. This day gave me great insight on the passion and strength we have not only as a woman but as a community of women."

What does International Women's Day mean to you?

"Celebrating women's strength and achievements as a proud woman. We're powerful. Women can do anything. When I finish school I want to join the Royal Australian Navy. I want to be part of an amazing team that helps

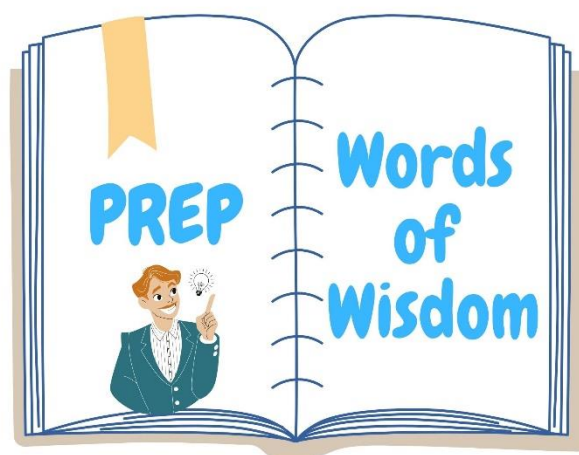
people. I want to create peace between people and countries. I want to inspire other young women to not be afraid. We can make a difference." – **Tiahn (Year 12).**

"Coming together. Sharing and learning from other women in the community. I would love to pursue a career in Biology or Law. I like justice and peace. Equal rights. I want to help others." – **Angel (Year 12)**

Who is your biggest inspiration?

"My mum. Because she is one of the strongest people I know. She went through cancer and she beat it. She fought for us kids. She's a true fighter. That has inspired me to be strong." – **Tiahn (Year 12).**

"My mum too. She's been through so much. She moved to Australia in 2002 which is when I was born. She didn't know much English so she had to teach herself so many things. I feel so grateful." – **Angel (Year 12).**



Prep 'Words of Wisdom'

The Prep Teachers at Cairns SDE asked our Prep students a question and below are their 'Words of Wisdom':

Can you tell me one thing that makes you feel smart?

- "It makes me feel smart that I can draw" - Lola
- "Helping daddy drive his machines at work" - Jackson
- "When I do a test, read and write" - Tiann
- "When I read, I feel smart" - Blaze
- "Doing something I like" - Dakota
- "When I know nearly everything, it makes me feel happy" - Lorelei

Enthusiastic students learn Japanese through Cairns SDE.



Our wonderful language teachers spent some time with South Johnstone State School students (pictured above) to teach them how to speak Japanese.

Staff News

Chappy Chat

Hi Everyone,



For those that don't know me already - I'm Chappy Deb, our School Chaplain here at Cairns SDE and my role is to offer social, emotional and spiritual support to students, staff and families. I work as part of our Support Team here at school which includes our three Guidance Officers, our Youth Support Officer and our School Based

Youth Health Nurse. I work with students on our Open Learning Campus as well as connecting with students and families on-line and at our regular connection events.

I hope the year has started well for you! I've enjoyed starting to work with two new groups of students at the OLC. The 'Shine' program is designed specifically for girls to understand their worth, strength and purpose



and we've been looking at our 'values' and started with some fun activities such as designing a hand-scrub and our traditional 'rose ceremony'.

The 'Outdoor Ed' program is all about teamwork and group dynamics and the students have been involved with some challenging and sometimes frustrating tasks designed to build group trust, cooperation and acceptance. We are about to transfer these learnings to an outdoor setting as we head to the 'bush' in Redlynch to put our skills into practice on some more challenging team initiatives.



My 'Support Team Soapbox' videos are continuing so have a look at the Cairns SDE Facebook page to meet some of our support team and maybe some guest appearances from our other staff getting up to some crazy antics in the interests of promoting wellbeing! Our latest video featured some of our Minute-to-Win-It challenges we had ready for Let's Connect.

Here are some top tips on 'connection' that may help if you have missed these opportunities to connect this term – most of these you can still try even if you are not connecting face-to-face with others regularly:-

- Identify things you have in common with others – like favourite music, TV shows, books or sports
- Exhibit positive body language – smiling, eye contact, talking confidently.
- Try something different – talk to someone different or try something new like a hobby or sport where you may meet new people.
- Learn to be a good listener – make sure you let others talk before jumping in with questions or comments.
- Have some fun – a joke or two can make things light and fun.
- Show an interest in others – asking people good questions about things they are interested in is a great way to start conversations.

A friendly reminder, I run a weekly prayer meeting for staff and would love to support anyone in our school community in this way. Please feel free to make contact and I am happy to call you for a chat and a cuppa anytime - debbieb@chappy.org.au.

Blessings,
Chappy Deb

Meet Sally – our School-based Nurse

Hi, my name is Sally and I'm the Youth Health Nurse from Queensland Health. I work here at Cairns School of Distance Education with high school students, staff and parents to:



- Promote health and wellbeing
- Create a supportive, healthy school environment (a health promoting school)
- Connect people with other health services.

I can talk to you and provide health and wellbeing information about:

- Healthy eating and physical activity
- Feeling unhappy or stressed
- Relationships
- Healthy skin
- Personal and family problems
- Growth and development
- Sexual health
- Pregnancy
- Smoking, alcohol and other drugs

I am available for confidential consults with students and families and will refer to specialist support agencies if necessary; or provide health information or advice. I am onsite and available alternate Thursdays. My office is located in J Block.

As well as individual consultations, I co-ordinate and run numerous workshops and programs. I also attend school camps, mini schools and excursions and assist with the school immunisation program.

Staff Mentors in Indigenous Leaders of Tomorrow (ILT) Youth Program

We are thrilled to have three of our staff members as school-based mentors in the Indigenous Leaders of Tomorrow (ILT) Youth Program, which is aimed at building and developing leadership qualities and skills in Indigenous students.



Tasarla, Cynthia and Deb (pictured) attended a two-day ILT event where they attended a presentation by Deadly Choices, learnt about personal & social capabilities, intercultural

understanding and adventure based learning, attended an event management workshop and took part in team building exercises. Well done team!

Meet our new staff

Lauren Campbell



Hi everyone, my name is Lauren Campbell and I will be working at Cairns SDE as a Guidance Officer. I have been teaching in Bowen since 2017 and prior to that in Northern NSW. I look forward to moving further North to the beautiful city of Cairns. The year 2020 was especially hectic

for myself with full-time work as well as studying my Masters of Guidance and Counselling with JCU. One of my goals is to jump straight in and forge strong relationships with students and staff. I look forward to meeting everyone and exploring the picturesque city of Cairns. Feel free to come and say hi, or better still invite me to your social circle to show me around your beautiful town.

Charlotte Sweetten



Hello I'm Charlotte. It is a pleasure to join the team at Cairns SDE. I have had the joy of teaching for many years, in a vast range of schools from the Torres Strait to Tweed Heads in the Early Childhood years context. I have also been an Early Years coach in the region. I am an 'old' Reading

Recovery teacher, and enjoy finding the key to unlock the world of learning for each student. I am passionate that every child, regardless of circumstance or need, has the right to feel successful and achieve both personally and academically. I am a mum to two older teenage girls and a beautiful puppy. I am looking

forward to the challenge of a new learnings and new adventures in 2021.

Carly Kulmiye

Hi everyone! My name is Carly Kulmiye (pronounced Cool-me-ya). I am mum to two girls Zara (4) and Sofia (1). We moved to Queensland from central Victoria last year and couldn't be happier. I have taught in Victoria and the Northern Territory in a range of different schools and am looking forward to continuing my career here in Cairns and exploring this spectacular part of Australia. Fun fact: my last school was a 3 class, 5 teacher school with 52 students. This is a big and exciting change for me!



Ingrid Johansson



Hi! My name is Ingrid. I am really excited to be a part of the Cairns SDE team. This is my second year of teaching. My first year was at Yarrabah primary school. I really enjoyed that. This is my first time working in a Distance Education school and I am looking forward to learning about this new way of teaching. I have two gorgeous

boys. One is 17 and the other is 14. My favourite thing in the whole world is spending time with them and doing fun stuff with them such as road trips, camping, swimming, hiking and so on. I love animals and enjoy a little bit of gardening, listening to music, reading, and chilling out!

Mary Leang



Hi! My name is Mary and I'm new to the Distance Ed. team. I have been teaching for 13 years in a wide variety of positions. I began as a Humanities specialist (Geography/History) at Trinity Bay SHS, before deciding I wanted a change and transferring to Hambleton SS to teach Year Six. I have done a number of roles

since then, including Early Childhood, District Relief, and Inclusion Support. During this time I decided that secondary and humanities were where I wanted to be, but I have also discovered a new passion in special needs support/inclusion. Now, I am looking forward to some new challenges and experiences! I look forward to working with you all.

Laura Zanzarella



Hello everybody! What a great pleasure is to be part of the team at Cairns SDE! My name is Laura Zanzarella and in 2021 I will be starting my 7th year of teaching. After spending 3 years at Western Cape College in Weipa, my husband and I decided to

move back to Cairns, the town that welcomed us when we first arrived in Australia from Italy 10 years ago. From 2018 I taught at Cairns State High School, but I was itchy to deal again with remote communities and everything connected to a world we lived in and that we loved. My areas of expertise are Maths and (of course!) Italian and I cannot wait to start this great new adventure!

Anna Holland



I am very excited to be joining the Cairns SDE Inclusion Team for 2021. My 38 years of teaching experience will put me in good stead for the challenges ahead. I have had many opportunities over these years to try new approaches to teaching and learning. Travelling adventures have enabled me to teach in New Zealand, England, Japan and

Greece. My last secondment was working for the Department as an Advisory Teacher for Hearing Impairment. My passion lies in supporting students with disabilities and their families. In my spare time I enjoy acrylic painting on canvas, practicing yoga, and walking our beautiful beaches with my two adorable spoodles. My family is very supportive of my career, and my daughter is now hoping to follow in my footsteps-which is great news!

Vegas Newn



Hello, Cairns SDE community. My name is Vegas Newn. I was born and grew up in Daegu, South Korea until moving to the Gold Coast in 2000 after University. I decided to come to Queensland when it was below -20°C in the military. After attending language school and completing an accounting degree at University, I

became an accountant and financial trader in Sydney, which is where I met the most renowned world Salsa champion, Oliver Pineda. Following this, I became a Technology Support Officer at Apple and Symantec in late 2000 while dancing Salsa in Sydney. I then began teaching in Seoul where I met my wife, and not long after, my son was born. We moved to Cairns in 2013 and I became a self-taught programmer. After completing my teaching degree, I taught at 11 different schools from Prep to Year 12 for the past 3 years including Freshwater SS (tech & robotics), Redlynch SC

(tech, robotics & maths), Smithfield SH (tech & maths), Freshwater SS (music & dance) and Whitfield SS (classroom). I look forward to working with you as we strive to be the best in our teaching area and achieve our students' learning goals in 2021.

Enrico Zanzarella



Hi all! My name is Enrico and I am really grateful to be part of this amazing school. My big journey started 10 years ago when, after many years of University studies and research, I decided to take a

suitcase, fill it up with 25 Kg of hope, will and big dreams and leave for Australia. During these ten years, I was lucky enough to work in fantastic places such as Western Cape College in Weipa. What a great experience, some of the dust is still in my 4WD and it does not really come off. I taught for three years at Cairns State High and during the last year, I realised that I am more interested in remote and rural teaching than big city lives. Cairns School of Distance Education gives me the opportunity to fulfil both worlds and I cannot wait to start this new adventure. My areas of expertise are Science and Maths and a little bit of Italian...just a little bit!

Rebecca Graham



Hi, I'm Bec and I'm new in the ESO Team. I've come from Yarrabah State School where I have been an ESO since 2018. I'm looking forward to getting to know everyone and have enjoyed meeting so many new faces. I have 3 young children and enjoy camping, hiking and getting outdoors.

Community Engagement News

Let's Connect

Cairns & Tablelands

Students, Home Tutors and staff had a great couple of days at the Cairns and Tablelands Let's Connect events. Activities included The Marshmallow Challenge, HPE Week games, emotional intelligence emoji painting, art & craft, biodiversity audit, The Mine Field team building game, puppet making, coding, Jerusalema Dance Challenge, Teaching Reading and creating a memento.

Thank you to our staff for their hard work and to the families that attended. We look forward to more Community Engagement events throughout the year.



Let's Connect Cairns



Let's Connect Tablelands



Parents and Citizens

Hello to the Cairns SDE Community,

Wow, we are a quarter of the way through 2021 already! The start of this year has been a big one, with, I hear, a HUGE increase in enrolments. Welcome to all the new and continuing students and staff.

As this newsletter is released our cookbook will be going to print! This has been a long journey for the P&C team compiling the book and we, like you, wait in anticipation to see our school's favourite recipes together in one unique collection. Stay tuned with information on how to purchase a copy – anticipated launch date is during our Annual Camp week.

In P&C news we held our AGM on the 15th March – thank you to all who attended, both new and renewing members – your support is much appreciated. At the AGM we elected the new executive team for 2021. Details are on the school website – <https://cairnssde.eq.edu.au/our-community/pandc>. I am happy to be returning as your P&C President in what will be my 5th year (and you know what they say: “5 years”).

A special mention goes to Juanita Saal – thank you for your service as Vice President, Secretary and Savannah cluster rep for the last 3–4 years – your

dedication to the P&C and your enthusiasm and determination to make the school the best it can be for our kids is commendable. Thank you for your service and friendship – you have been a truly awesome VP.

A reminder that we are still looking to fill cluster rep positions for: Cairns Coastal, Interstate/Overseas, Senior and Savannah/Georgetown. So, if you like to be involved and work in a team, contact the P&C exec team on pandcexec@cairnssde.eq.edu.au.

Remember: “*Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart*”.

Keep a look out for information soon to be posted about our P&C Mother's Day Raffle and a chance to win a glittering prize for your Mum for Mother's Day (95% of the time home tutors are Mums and they deserve to be rewarded). Oh, and money raised supports our kids at school.

Thank you and all the best,

Judith Eriksen

P&C President



Miscellaneous

Official Opening of the New Playground



On Thursday 25th March, we announced the official opening of our new playground. Situated between G & B Block, the new playground is colourful, open, and has various

creative elements such as a large wooden tractor, stools, sand and plenty of greenery. Thankyou to our student leaders for cutting the ribbon to launch the official opening.

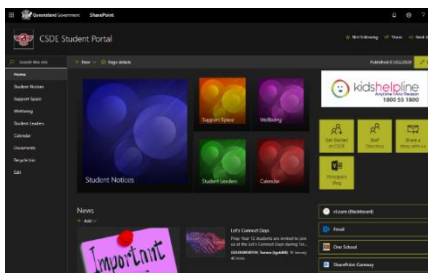


Cairns to Karumba Bike Ride

Join the C2K2021 Adventure! 780km of fun, friends and fitness. This 7 day bike ride takes you through the most amazing country where you get to meet the families you are raising money for. This ride is about so much more than just getting on a bike. It's about the camaraderie, the fun and the lifelong friendships that are made along the way. Registration close 31 May 2021. To sign up, please visit <https://c2kbikeride.com.au/>.



Student Portal



We have created a Student Portal to connect students/home tutors to all of the information they need in one place! Features include: student notices & news

items, student leader information, principal's vlogs, support space, staff directory, teacher/teacher aide absent list, EQ Network outage information, event calendar, care and wellbeing, quick links and the opportunity to share your story with our Marketing Officer to publish in the newsletter and on Facebook.

The Student Portal can be accessed via this link - gedu.sharepoint.com/sites/3601/student. There is also a "Get started at CSDE" button for beginning and returning students. This page will run through the 10 step checklist to follow when getting started at school. For more information, please contact your Care Teacher.

NAPLAN 2021

The families of all year 3, 5, 7 & 9 students have recently received an email outlining how Cairns School of Distance Education students can participate in this year's NAPLAN tests.

There have been some changes from past years and this information is identified in a cover letter attached to the email sent to families.

We encourage all students to take part in the NAPLAN test opportunity wherever this is possible.

NAPLAN test results provide information that may be very helpful in understanding the level of development in aspects of Literacy and numeracy at both the individual student level and across groups of students. Our understanding can be used by teachers to provide more effective teaching and learning experiences across current and future year levels.



Please refer to the "NAPLAN ACCESS OPTION" attachment in the email sent to families and advise the school how your child will access this year's NAPLAN test by returning the document to admin@cairnssde.eq.edu.au on or before the deadline identified for each option in the attachment.

If you have any enquires please email them to admin@cairnssde.eq.edu.au.

Year 5 English Delivery changes



Dear Home Tutors and families,

Following initial parent feedback regarding the delivery of Year 5 English a process was put in place to

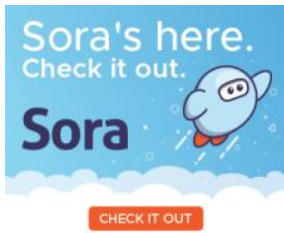
gather a deeper understanding about the delivery of this subject. A proposal was delivered to our Executive Team for consideration and as a result we will now provide 3 English lessons per week for Year 5 beginning in Week 8, starting on Monday 15th of March.

English will now be taught during these times:

- Mon 9:00-9:45 (Usual time)
- Wed 11:00-11:45 (A lesson will replace the current Tutorial)
- Fri 9:45-10:30 (New time!)

Should you have any further questions regarding this change, please contact your child's teacher.

eBooks Digital Library



Cairns SDE Home based students can now read anytime, anywhere until the end of February 2022. The eBooks Digital Library contains over 60,000 eBooks and audiobooks, including fiction and non-fiction reading

material for students, which you can borrow and read 24/7 at home, at school, on your PC, laptop or mobile device.

You can access the collection by downloading the free Sora app on your device. After installing the app, when asked for your school name, enter Education Queensland. Your username is your MIS ID.

For more information and to download the app, please visit the school website or Student Portal.

Journi road safety program



Are you the parent, carer or loved one of a 10-12 year old who's starting to walk, use public transport more or ride to school? The Department of Transport and Main Roads has created Journi, a program to help kids learn

fundamental safe road and travel practices through games, quizzes and videos and interactive learning—your child can start using it today. Journi's a new free online program targeted at kids who are beginning to navigate public transport and start to travel to school independently.

It can be used in schools, or at home. The program is designed to equip children with the skills and knowledge to keep themselves and others safe on and around the road. Becoming a safe road user starts from an early age—children and youth represent approximately 24 per cent of lives lost on Queensland's roads.

To sign up, please visit: <https://journi.tmr.qld.gov.au/>.