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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

01/08/2014

No. 09/2014

I am writing this column in Brisbane where I am attending the Combined Principals' Conference. Along with international keynote speakers who are at the forefront of educational innovation, there are also workshop presentations by Principals from around Queensland.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week, our year 10s attended the Uni Skills visit to the two Mackay campuses of CQUniversity Australia. On Monday the students spent the day at the city campus which is the site of the old CQ TAFE. Tuesday was spent at the Ooralea campus including the Engineering College and the Trade Training Centre. The students were impressed with the facilities and many of the activities. I am certain that the information and the experience will be useful to the students when they are planning their subject choices for next year and whether they will also choose certificate courses or the university's SUN courses. Mr Ray accompanied the students on Monday and I had the pleasure of being their supervisor on the Tuesday excursion. I was impressed by the students' behaviour and their participation. In fact I received several compliments from the CQU staff about our students. Well done everyone, I am proud to be your Principal.

Last Tuesday those students who were successful at the Northern Highway Cluster Athletics carnival competed in the Mackay District Athletics Trials. I have not as yet received details regarding our team members' individual performances but will bring you this information in the next newsletter, if our Physical Education teachers haven't already done so in this edition.

I am very pleased with the response that students have given to the "Calen has Talent" competition. We have a number of students who possess musical, dramatic and dance flair and talent and we need to showcase it. Congratulations to the girls who came up with the concept – I like to see students displaying initiative and leadership. These are excellent skills which will be of immense benefit in later life. Well done.

Last Monday, our teachers worked back for an extended staff meeting looking at how we can effectively use students' performance and achievement data to highlight particular areas which require intensive support. Anton Richards developed this program which analyses a variety of test instruments which show relative gain and provides a comparison with the nation. Anton's program will be implemented throughout the region by the end of the year. Well done Anton and thank you for giving up your time to work with us. We are proud of your creative genius.

Year 12 student Tifannie arrived back in Australia this week after her trip to Fiji where she worked with disadvantaged children. Tifannie has been approached to be an ambassador for the organisation to promote its work to other young Australians. Well done Tifannie, this was a wonderful experience for you and it clearly displays your warm and generous nature. Your work makes me think of a line from the creed of the Australian Junior Chamber (Jaycees) which reads "*Service to humanity is the greatest work of life*". What you have done speaks volumes about your values and we are very proud of you as no doubt your parents are. We look forward to reading about your experiences in a future edition.

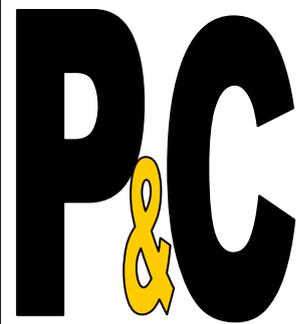
Have a great fortnight.

Brian O'Neill, Principal.

P&C COLUMN

Don't forget that the P&C still has 50th Anniversary souvenirs available for sale at the school office. You can grab 2 x tea towels for \$20; coffee mug \$6 each; stubby cooler \$6 each; tea towel and coffee mug \$15; tea towel and stubby cooler \$15; coffee mug and stubby cooler \$10; or tea towel, mug and stubby cooler for only \$20.

The next P&C meeting will be Tuesday 12th August 2014, at 3:15pm in the staff lounge room of the admin. building.

	2014 COMMITTEE	
	President: Casey Lindsay	Treasurer: Sue Spreadborough
		Secretary: Peta Sturdy
	Vice President: Amy Trembath	Fundraising/Grants Director: Dianna Sutton
	Vice President: Natasha King	

NOTE FROM BUSINESS SERVICES MANAGER

The final payment for Student Resource Scheme (SRS) fees and subject fees are now due. If you are unable to meet the payment deadline or wish to enter into a payment plan, please contact our administration staff who will be very happy to assist you. Statements have been sent home to families to show what amounts are outstanding.

Please remember that **students will not be eligible to take home projects which they have constructed at school or participate in extracurricular activities (reward days, camps, excursions etc) if they have fees outstanding or they have not filled in the payment plan section of the Participation Agreement Form.**

STUDENTS TRAVELLING ON BUSES

Code of Conduct

The Code outlines expected standards of primary, middle and secondary school student behaviour while travelling on buses so that bus travel can be safe and enjoyable for everyone. The Code encourages all students to be safe and responsible passengers, provides clear processes for dealing with misconduct, outlines categories of inappropriate behaviour, consequences for students who misbehave and the rights and responsibilities of those involved in school bus transport.

Parents/carers need to ensure that their children have the necessary skills and knowledge to be safe and responsible bus travellers and are capable of travelling independently on the bus. You can support your children by talking about the Code to ensure that they are aware of their rights and responsibilities and the consequences of misconduct on the bus.

For more information regarding the Code of Conduct for Bus Travel, visit www.qld.gov.au or www.tmr.qld.gov.au.



DATE CLAIMER

AUGUST 2014	SEPTEMBER 2014	OCTOBER 2014
01 Aug Secondary Disco 02 Aug Wilmar Wearable Art Awards 04 Aug School Dental Forms Due 07 Aug Bridge Building Competition 7-8 Aug Sec District Athletics Trials 10 Aug Calen Ambulance Cent Sale 12 Aug P&C Meeting 13 Aug Jnr Secondary Info Night 15 Aug Maggie Dent Seminar 18 Aug Calen & Dist Red Cross AGM 22 Aug Tank Stand Tenders Close 30 Aug Ambrose 100yr Anniversary	02 Sep Yr 8 & 10 Vaccinations 2-3 Sep Qld Core Skills 11 Sep Last Day Active After School 13 Sep Mky Tennis Celebration 13-14 Sep Pioneer Valley Relay for Life 15-18 Sep Yr 4/5/6/7 Brisbane Camp 17-18 Sep Glenden Sports Exchange 19 Sep Sec. Seaforth Rewards Day 19 Sep Last Day Term 3 21-26 Sep MAD Camp 20 Sep—05 Oct School Holidays	06 Oct Labour Day Public Holiday 07 Oct School Commences Term 4 20 Oct Student Free Day 25-26 Oct Fishing Competition 30-31 Oct Red Cross Jumble Sale
NOVEMBER 2014	DECEMBER 2014	JANUARY 2015
4 Nov Melbourne Cup 15 Nov Twilight Markets 17 Nov Awards Night 21 Nov Formal 28 Nov Yr 10&11 Last Day School	02 Dec Yr8 Orientation Day 05 Dec Calen P&C Christmas Party	01 Jan New Years Public Holiday 26 Jan Australia Day Public Holiday 27 Jan School Commences Term 1

SCHOOL DENTAL

The School Dental Drover will be visiting our school later in the year. In preparation for their visit, Medical History/ Consent forms have been issued to all students from Prep to Year 10. These forms must be fully completed and signed by a parent/legal guardian and returned by the due date **4th August, 2014**.

The Child Dental Benefit Scheme commenced on 1st January 2014. To determine if your child is eligible for this scheme the School Dental Team require your child's Medicare Number, Reference No and Expiry Date.

- **Children eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Scheme are able to access the School Dental service but will be asked to assign their benefits to the School Dental Service.**
- **Children who are not eligible are also able to access our service**
- **All general dental services are free of charge**

Please be advised, once you have **two (2)** broken or fail to attend appointments, during any course of treatment no further appointments will be offered. You will be put back on the waiting list.

FOR TENDER



Calen District State College has one (1) metal tank stand available for tender. If you are interested in this item – please submit a tender in writing to the school office, by either emailing to admin@calendsc.eq.edu.au or by posting to:

The BSM
 Calen District State College
 C/- Post Office
 Calen 4798

Tenderers should be aware that all works and costs associated with removing the tank stand, are the responsibility of the successful winner of this tender. **This item can be viewed at the school between 9:00am - 2:00pm.** Tenders close 3:00pm Friday 22 August 2014.

CLUSTER ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all of the athletes who recently took part in the Primary Track & Field Mackay District Trials held at the Pioneer SHS oval on Tuesday 29th July. Listed below are the Calen students who have been invited to join the Mackay District School Sport Track and Field Team, to take part in the Capricornia Trials to be held in Emerald on the 18th August.

Hayden Jorja Madison	10yrs Boys—Discus 3rd and Shotput 3rd 10yrs Girls—100m 1st and 200m 1st 10yrs Girls—Discus 3rd
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SECONDARY DISTRICT ATHLETICS TRIALS

Reminder that District Athletics trials are on next Thursday 7th and Friday 8th August at Mackay North State High School. Students are to arrive no later than 9am for a 9:30 start. Field events will be run on Thursday and running events on Friday. Cost will be \$5 per student, addressed and payable to our school admin. Forms are due back no later than Friday 1st August.

HOTSHOT TENNIS

Sportsperson of the Week by Ms Green

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Sportsperson of the Week, whilst participating in Hotshot Tennis activities during their physical education classes:

Week Ending Fri 25 July				
	Prep/Yr1/2	Year 2/3	Year 3/4/5	Year 5/6/7
Winners	Justine Drew	Paige Tom	Max Hayden	Kasey Makayla
Runners – Up	Caitlin Zach	Chloe Mason	Kane Cameron	Joshua Billy

Week Ending Fri 01 August				
	Prep/Yr1/2	Year 2/3	Year 3/4/5	Year 5/6/7
Winners	Reagan Hannah	Pagie Paige	Hayden Cameron	Josh Dylan
Runners – Up	Ella Declan	Paige C Thomas	Emma Armani	Emmalese Jorja



CALEN YARNING GROUP

Welcome again to our snippet in the newsletter. As the Indigenous teacher at our school, I have been trying to collaborate our culture within the school. What a great gathering we had last Friday in A10—it was awesome to see so many of our students participate in the many activities we have at our school. Students were exposed to Kangaroo Stew and damper and they loved it!!! I was a bit nervous there for a while, as not many students showed up but then they all came - it must have been the smell, it was yummy. I actually had to turn some away as we ran out. These are just some of the activities we do on a Friday lunch time in A10. Our Yarning group it is open to everyone, age is no barrier as there is something for everyone—coloring in; loom band making; traditional dancing, traditional music; boomerang painting; traditional bush tucker (occasionally); and story telling. **Mrs. Dot Donovan**

NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICER

My husband Shane O'Keefe (Manual Arts Teacher) and myself are very excited as we have been chosen to be group leaders for the tour listed below. We would love for some kids from Calen to join us on this amazing adventure. If you would like more information please see us.

Regards, Karen O'Keefe (Guidance Officer)



G'DAY USA JANUARY 2016
LIVE WITH AN AMERICAN FAMILY



Tour Highlights include:

- Disneyland
- Universal Studios
- Knott's Berry Farm
- San Diego
- San Francisco
- Stay with a host sister or brother
- Visit an American High School

You will stay with your host family in their home, get to know them, see their town, meet their friends and enjoy their favourite activities. You will probably try new foods, play new sports, see new places, have a unique experience and make lifelong friends!

"I wish all kids could have the amazing experiences EWT provides. Travel truly is the best gift we can give our kids!" 

To find out more information contact:
Mrs O'Keefe OR Narelle @ EWT

Visit: www.ewt.com.au

Email: info@ewt.com.au

Lic No: 31646 Lic No: 2TA 003733-NSW



EVERY DAY COUNTS CLASS TRACKER

This fortnight the year 9 class as been beater, by both the year 8 Class and the year 11 class, who both achieved the most days at 100% attendance this edition with four days recorded for the fortnight. With this latest addition, the Year 9 class are still leading with a total of 63 days at 100% attendance—as you will see from the progressive totals displayed in the table to the right.

Current to Thu 31 Jul 2014			
Year	Days 100%	Year	Days 100%
Prep/1/2	30	Year 8	48
Year 2/3	20	Year 9	63
Year 4/5/6	25	Year10	41
Year 5/6/7	33	Year11	50
		Year 12	15

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Listed below are our students who have been presented with either an award certificate or have been given recognition during assembly for positive behaviour between the period 18th July to 1st August 2014. Well done!

CLASS	STUDENT	POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR
P/01/02	Justine Drew Bailey Zach Mack Alyssa Dylan Sebastien Peter	Award—Recognition on Assembly Award—Recognition on Assembly

PRIMARY TENNIS AT KOLIJO



Students in Mrs Rankin's year 03/04/05 class and students in Miss Allen's year 05/06/07 class, will be undertaking their PE lessons on Thursday between 9am-11am during Term 3 (for 4 weeks) at the Calen Tennis Club at Kolijo. This will allow specialised tennis lessons to be conducted. A bus will take students to and from the courts and there will be no transport costs involved. Permission and medical forms have been sent home to students in the mentioned classes - could parents/carers please return them to the office as soon as possible.

DIFFERENT STROKES FUNDRAISER

The Different Strokes Program at Calen District State College is running a 'Design a Plate' fundraiser. Included within this newsletter is an A4 flyer with the details of the fundraiser. If you did not receive this flyer with your copy of the newsletter and are interested in helping the Different Strokes Program raise money by either creating an art or photo plate, then please contact the school office for more information.



SECONDARY DISCO

The secondary disco for term 3 is on this Friday night. All secondary students are welcome and we hope that everyone gets dressed in the new theme **'Comic-Con'**. The disco will be held at the Calen RSL Hall, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm on Friday the 1st August. The selected theme was agreed to be comic-con, entry price is \$5 in theme and \$7 out of theme, there will be toasted sandwiches for sale for \$2, after you have received your first one free upon entry. Soft drinks can be purchased at \$1 each. We hope that everyone turns up in theme and comes to have a good time. Thanks, Secondary Student Council.

Date: 1st of August
Location: Calen RSL Hall
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Cost: \$5 in theme or \$7 out of theme
Theme: Comic-Con
Soft drink: \$1 per can
Food: 1 Free Toasted Sandwich with Entry (\$2 per sandwich after free one from entry)



JUNIOR SECONDARY INFORMATION NIGHT

A reminder to parents of current year 6 and 7 students, that we will be conducting a Junior Secondary Information Night on Wednesday 13th August 2014 in the new library at the Calen District State College, commencing at 6.00pm. We will discuss the model which we will operate, including the subjects which we will offer—core and electives. Parents of prospective Junior Secondary students from our feeder schools, will also be invited.

PARENTING ADOLESCENTS

NEW STUDY!

RAISING TEENS IN THE TECHNOLOGY GENERATION

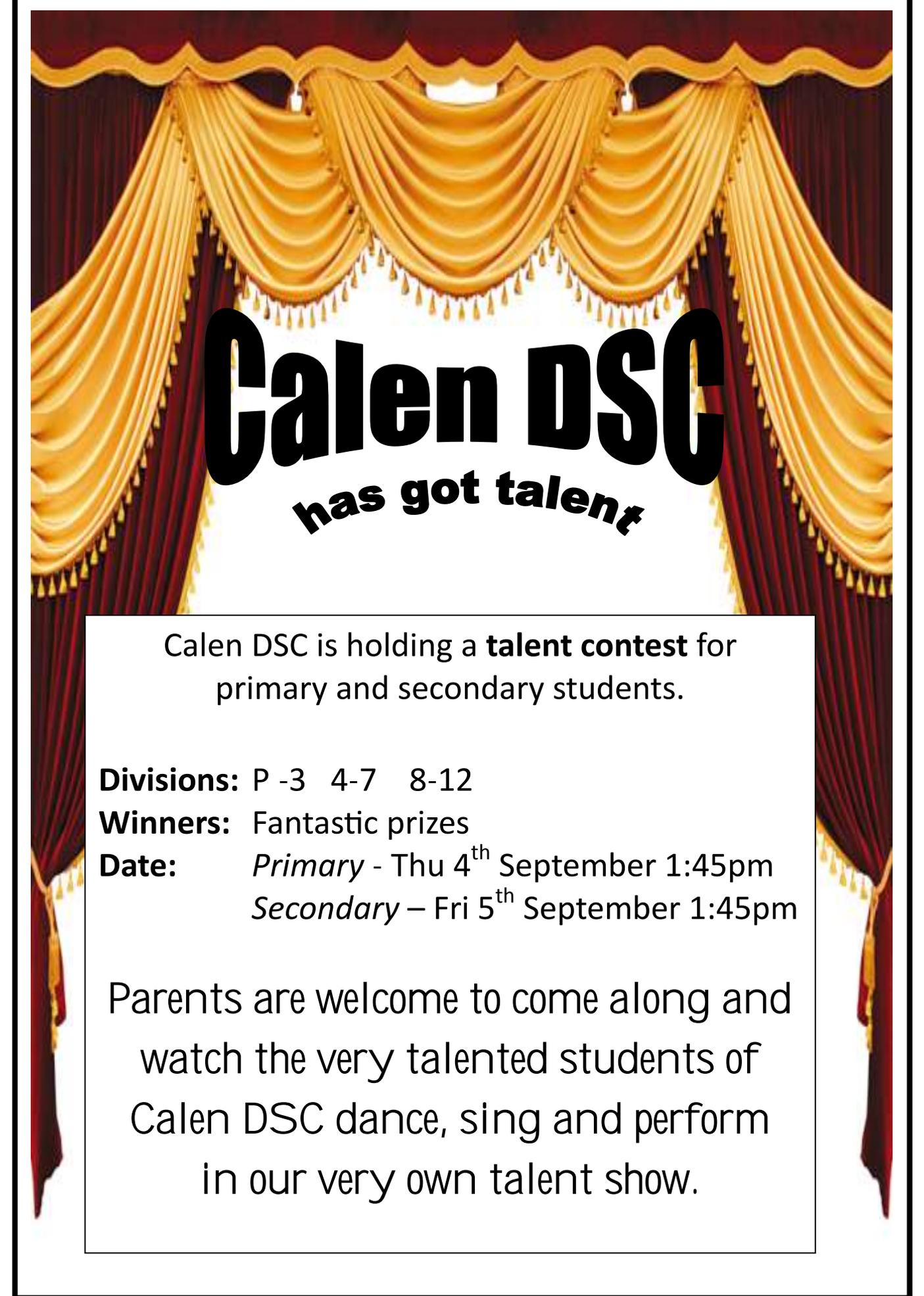
ARE YOU THE PARENT OF AN 11-18 YEAR OLD?
Help us understand the effect of technology on families!
Take our anonymous 30-minute survey.

All participating parents and teenagers will be eligible to enter a draw to win a \$50 Coles/Myer gift card!

You will answer questions about technology, your teenager's behaviour, their relationship with you and your parenting.
You can also ask your teenager to take part in a similar anonymous survey.
The research is completely voluntary and confidential.

To complete the survey, go to:
<https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentteensurvey/>.

For more information, contact the research team on parentingteens@uq.edu.au.



Calen DSC

has got talent

Calen DSC is holding a **talent contest** for primary and secondary students.

Divisions: P -3 4-7 8-12

Winners: Fantastic prizes

Date: *Primary* - Thu 4th September 1:45pm
Secondary – Fri 5th September 1:45pm

Parents are welcome to come along and watch the very talented students of Calen DSC dance, sing and perform in our very own talent show.

CQUNIVERSITY MACKAY OPEN DAY

Are you considering university study, but don't know where to start? Come along to CQUniversity Mackay's Open Day and have your questions answered by both staff and current students. Explore the campus and don't forget to book in some time to attend an information session.

Start: 16th Aug 2014 9:00am—1:00pm

Location: CQUniversity Mackay, Boundary Road

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT STUDY

Remember when you believed in anything and everything?

Researchers from the University of Western Australia are investigating children's tendencies to being tricked, fooled and misled by their peers. We are looking to see how this develops in children, and when children outgrow this.

We are looking for parents of **Kindergarten – Year 6 children** across Australia to complete an online survey (15 – 20 minutes). Participants will go into a draw to win one of 10 x \$50 gift certificates to Coles/Myers. To participate go to:

<http://tinyurl.com/childsvq2>

Or for more information please contact Rebecca Seward at (08) 6488 4652 or rebecca.seward@research.uwa.edu.au

KINDY EXPENSES

Is your child eligible for Kindy and not attending because of cost?

QKFS Plus Kindy Support is a new funding scheme to reduce costs for families.

QKFS Plus Kindy Support replaces the Health Care Card and multiple births subsidies and extends support to include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

To be eligible for QKFS Plus Kindy Support a family must either:

- hold a current Health Care Card, Veterans Affairs Card or Australian Government Pension Concession card with automatic Health Care Card entitlements, or
- identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (or have a child who does), or
- have three or more children, of the same age, enrolled in the same year.

QKFS Plus Kindy Support will be provided directly to services to help reduce out-of-pocket expenses for eligible families. Please contact your local Kindy to talk about your costs for enrolling your child.

CALEN & DISTRICT RED CROSS BRANCH

The next Red Cross Jumble Sale will be held on Thursday 30th and Friday 31st October 2014 at the RSL Memorial Hall in Calen. We would appreciate volunteers to help sort and price items on Tuesday 28th October 2014. Any enquiries please phone 49588169.



IN THE VALLEY

2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

SUNDAY 10 AUGUST 2014

AT

PIONEER VALLEY SPORTING ASSOCIATION

GARGETT

DOORS OPEN: 10.00 AM

EYES DOWN: 11.00 AM

WITH

JACKPOTS, LUCKY DOOR

LUCKY NUMBERS & SNAP RAFFLES

MORNING TEA/LUNCH, DRINKS & SNACKS FOR SALE

ANY ENQUIRIES CONTACT

LISA ZARB: 0427705280 OR 49583235

TRISH ANDERSON: 0438418763 OR 49585109



TUCKSHOP MENU STARTING 24/06/2014

AND WILL RUN ALL OF TERM 4.

Thankyou for all your support so far, to continue to have this as an option families really need to continue supporting.

TUESDAY

Spaghetti Bolognese \$5

Garlic Bread \$1.25

Chocolate Mouse \$1

WEDNESDAY

Chicken and Salad wrap full size \$4.50

Half size \$3.00

(lettuce, tomato, carrot, beetroot and cheese)

Ham and Salad Sandwich \$4.00

Ham and Cheese sandwich \$2.50

Jelly cup \$1

THURSDAY

Fried Rice with chicken \$5

Steamed Dim Sims 3 \$2.50

Savoury Mince with a bread roll \$5

Vanilla Cake \$1.25

Who will be *King of the Hill * at the
2014 Bullet Bikes
KUNGURRI HILL CLIMB

Where man & his two wheeled machine fight
gravity on the steep terrain of Kungurri Hill
in the Pioneer Valley, **60Km's west of Mackay**
Juniors full throttle on Sat Aug 23rd

Nominations from 10:30 am

Seniors full throttle on Sun Aug 24th

Pre-nominate or nominate on the day
from 7:00 am; Machinery 8:00 am Sharp

Nomination details: Debbie – 4959 0439

Pioneer Valley Enduro Club

Great Spectating Event

Admission: Saturday - Free

Sunday: Adults \$6

School Age \$3

No Pets or Glass thanks.

Funds distributed between

local community groups.

Full Catering on Grounds



CALEN LOCAL AMBULANCE COMMITTEE



MONSTER CENT SALE

COME AND TRY YOUR LUCK



AT CALEN DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE

SUNDAY 10TH AUGUST 2014

FROM 12.30 FOR A 1.30PM START

\$5 ADMISSION WHICH INCLUDES

AFTERNOON TEA & LUCKY DOOR TICKET



THERE WILL BE SNAP RAFFLES

A CAKE STALL, AND RAFFLE



\$400 WOOLWORTHS GIFT VOUCHER 1ST PRIZE

\$100 CALEN BUTCHERY GIFT VOUCHER 2ND PRIZE

DONATIONS OF CAKES AND CENTSALE
PRIZES WILL BE GRATEFULLY APPRECIATED

CENTSALE PRIZES CAN BE LEFT
AT CALEN POST OFFICE