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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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The introduction of the Australian Curriculum has heralded the subject "History" as a core standalone subject instead of the previous multi-disciplined subject "Social Science". This is a good thing because there are many skills and processes which are distinctly associated with History.

It is good to have knowledge of history because it provides an understanding of why certain cultures, conventions, laws and processes exist today. As the old Jewish proverb states, "*One must know where one comes from in order to know where one is going*".

There is a popular story that after the American War of Independence, the newly formed Congress (parliament) was trying to decide on what would be the national language of the new nation. For some English was unpopular because of the association with the people with whom they had fought fiercely for independence. There were equal votes for English and German so the Speaker of the House was required to give a casting vote. He did so in favour of English because he had always experienced problems with conjugating German verbs (maybe something our students may agree with).

It is interesting to speculate what would have happened had the speaker voted in favour of German. German would have become the national language of the USA and the new country's culture and therefore it have been more sympathetic towards German political, economic and strategic policies. The outcomes of World Wars I and II could have been very different.

This week marks two significant anniversaries in history. Last Monday 15th June, marked the 800th anniversary of the signing of the Magna Carta (the Great Charter) by King John of England at Runnymede, near Windsor. The Charter was drafted by the Arc Bishop of Canterbury and was a means to make peace between the King and a group of rebel barons. This document has formed the basis of the English parliamentary and judicial systems. It was also used to form the American Constitution.

Today, 18th marks the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo which saw the end of the Napoleonic Wars and the imprisonment of Napoleon Bonaparte, the French general who had crowned himself Emperor of France.

On the local scene, this year marks the 90th anniversary of the provision of primary education in the Calen district, so in ten years' time we will be celebrating the school's centenary. Last year's celebration marked the 50th anniversary of the provision of secondary education at Calen.

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE cont....

The students who members of the Wakakirri troupe have been working hard and the performance is certainly taking shape. I would like to publicly acknowledge senior student Tiarna who has taken on the role as Assistant Director and Dance Instructor with Nicki Crawford, the Wakakirri dance specialist. Tiarna has learnt the dances and has been taking the students for lunch time rehearsals which is a great support for Nicki.

Congratulations to year 10 student Croyden who has been invited to be an Associate Judge in the Commercial Cattle category of the Livestock Division at the Proserpine Show. Well done Croyden, this is an amazing opportunity for you and we are very proud of you.

Our secondary debating teams have commenced their competitions in Mackay and we have two teams competing:

- Team 1 (year 8/9) – Emmalese; Jack; Kasey
- Team 2 (year 7/8) – Bridgette, Shania, Grace

Well done everyone – this competition provides a wonderful opportunity for you to develop in self-confidence as well as develop your communication and persuasive skills.

This semester we have had the pleasure of the company of CQU student teacher, Mrs Jeanette Oberg working with the Business and Accounting student. Jeanette is a qualified corporate and public tax accountant and has been mentored by Sue Spreadborough. Sue is the District Panel Chair of the Accounting panel and oversees the accreditation of Accounting programs and the monitoring and verification of student work in the Mackay district. Jeanette has been in excellent hands. Thank you for your contribution Jeanette and we wish you well with your next placement.

Next semester we welcome two new CQU student teachers – Baylee Hardwick (English and History) and Kate Morris (Maths and Science). We welcome you Baylee and Kate and look forward to working with you.

As this is the final newsletter for the semester, I wish all students, parents and staff an enjoyable and relaxing break.

Brian O'Neill
Principal

P&C COLUMN

Wednesday last week was our monthly meeting and Kim Hanson from "Your Inspiration at Home" came to us with a proposal we couldn't refuse! Kim has three children at Calen and has been doing Your Inspiration at Home for sometime now, but when the company come up with the 40% profit back to community organisations, who could refuse. A catalogue along with an order form has been sent home with this newsletter - if you have not received it please call the office for a new one. Kim will be at both our sports day and cluster athletics carnival, with samples for kids and adults to taste. She also has a tasting on Friday the 26th June at the Calen Hotel from 6pm -7pm and the first day back after holidays on Monday the 13th July between 2:30pm - 3:30pm at our school gate. If you are going away over the holidays, families please take your order form with you to see if you can secure some extra sales, as 40% back to the P&C is huge! We are in desperate need of a new school sign and would love an electronic noticeboard to accompany it - the funds from this could get the money to make this happen! Have a safe and happy holiday.



DATE CLAIMER

JUN 2015	JUL 2015	AUG 2015
19 Jun Athletics Carnival 21 Jun Marian Markets 24 Jun Primary Rewards Excursion 25 Jun Mackay Show Holiday 26 Jun Last Day Term 2 26 Jun Taste Testing Your Inspiration 27 Jun LitVid Comp Closes 30 Jun Proserpine State of Origin	1-10 Jul..... Mky Gymnastics School 11 Jul..... Farleigh CWL Cent Sale 13 Jul..... School Commences Term 3 13 Jul..... Taste Testing Your Inspiration 15 Jul..... Cluster Athletics Carnival 15 Jul..... Woolies Earn & Learn Starts 15-16 Jul... Whitsunday Voices 15-18 Jul... Caught in the Net 24 Jul..... Orders due Group Photos 29 Jul..... Mackay District Athletics 29-31 Jul... Secondary Camps	3 Aug.....Sg Nigel Dalton Visit 9 Aug..... Calen Community Markets 14 Aug.....RSVP for Dance for Daniel 29 Aug.....Mackay's Dance for Daniel 29 Aug.....Mackay Raft Race
SEP 2015	OCT 2015	NOV-DEC 2015
7-9 Sep Year 4/5/6 Camp 8 Sep Woolies Earn & Learn Ends 12-13 Sep ..Relay for Life 18 Sep Seaforth Rewards Day 18 Sep Last Day Term 3 18 Sep Dance Fever Entries Close	04 Oct..... Mackay Eisteddfod Commence 05 Oct..... Public Holiday 06 Oct..... School Commences Term 4 19 Oct..... Student Free Day 29-30 Oct... Calen Red Cross Jumble Sale	04 Oct.....Mackay Eisteddfod Commences 05 Oct.....Public Holiday 06 Oct.....School Commences Term 4 19 Oct.....Student Free Day 29-30 Oct ...Calen Red Cross Jumble Sale 10 Nov.....Vaccinations for Year 8 16 Nov.....Awards Night 20 Nov.....Year 12 Finish 27 Nov.....Year 10-11 Finish 11 Dec.....Last Day Term 4

IMPORTANT DATE REMINDERS

Public holiday for the Mackay Show is on Thursday 25th June 2015. Last day of school for Term 2 is Friday 26th June— Term 3 commences on Monday 13th July 2015. Cluster Athletics Carnival in first week of Term 3 on Wednesday 15th July, with the Mackay District Athletic Trials at Pioneer State School Oval on Wednesday 29th July.

SCHOOL GROUP PHOTOS

Group photos have now arrived and are displayed in the office foyer. Groups photos which are available include – Year 12 Muck Up, Different Strokes, Primary Student Council, Secondary Student Council, All School Captains, Primary School Captains & Vice Captains, Primary Student Council Executive, Secondary Student Council Executive, All Sports Captains, Primary School Sports & Vice Sports Captains and Secondary Sports Captains. If you would like to purchase any of these, please collect an envelope from the school office (\$17 each) or a flyer to order online at discounted prices (\$14). **Orders are to be received at the school office by 24 July 2015.**

SCHOOL CANTEEN

The School's Canteen will be open next week for the last week of term. We would just like to remind everyone about how the canteen operates. If you would like to purchase items from the canteen, you need to complete a Canteen Order Form. The completed order form, together with payment then needs to be placed in an envelope and dropped into the Blue Canteen Box which is located outside of the staff room in the administration building. The Blue Canteen Box is kept in this location until the first bell rings at 8:55am. Should you arrive late for school and have a canteen order, then please go and see either Mr O'Keefe or Ms Ward at the Canteen building. Canteen order forms and envelopes are available from the Blue Canteen Box or from the office. It gets very hectic and congested at Canteen during morning tea and lunch and with limited amount of time available to students during these breaks, if food is pre-ordered it enables everybody to be served.

STATIONERY TOP UP

During the holidays can parents please check that their children have adequate stationery for the remainder of the school year.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Congratulations to the following students for receiving an award – WELL DONE!

PRIMARY AWARDS	YEAR	Student	Award	Teacher
	PRIMARY AWARDS	PREP	Talia	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade
Noah			Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
Mika			Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
Logan			Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
Alex			Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
01		Cooper	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
		Sebastien	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
		Abbey	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Alyssa	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Declan	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Bailee	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
		Rhiannon	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Mathiasen
02		Justine	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Drew	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Ella	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Hannah	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Mia	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
		Isabella	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
03		Thomas	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Samuel	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Ethan	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Kai	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Jannah	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Chelsea	Exemplary Behaviour – Recognition on Parade	Mrs Hall
04		Chaycee	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Paige	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Tom	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
		Lilly	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin
	Paige	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin	
	Abbie	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin	
	Jack	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin	
05	Connor	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Ms Green	
	Zoe	Award – Recognition on Morning Parade	Mrs Rankin	

SECONDARY	YEAR	Student	Award and Reason	Teacher
	SECONDARY	07	Jack	Award for Working and Respecting Others in Class
Josh			Award for Volunteering to Keep our School Clean	Mrs Gardner
09		Kelly	Award for Always Following Instructions	Ms Neyland
		Gorgia	Award for Always Following Instructions	Ms Neyland
10		Luke	Award for Working Hard in Biology	Mr Ray
		Richard	Award for Always Following Instructions, Working Hard and Following Instructions	Mrs Pinkney
11		Amee	Award for Volunteering to Keep our School Clean	Mrs Gardner
		Amee	Award for Acting in a Mature & Respectful Manner in HRE	Mrs Gardner
		Danielle	Award for Acting in a Mature & Respectful Manner in HRE	Mrs Gardner
12		Tiarna	Award for Leading the Anti-Bullying Push	Mr Keeble
		Tiarna	Award for Always Working Hard and Responsibly in Class	Mr Ray
		Casey	Award for Acting in a Mature & Respectful Manner in HRE	Mrs Gardner

CYBERSAFETY AND SEXTING

Do you know what your child is doing on their phone?

Can you honestly say that you know who they are talking to and who is talking to them on the internet?

Sgt Nigel Dalton the District Crime Prevention Coordinator from the Mackay Police will be coming to Calen to speak to students in years 7 to 9 about the dangers of using social media.

Parents are very welcome to attend these sessions with their child so that everyone receives the same message and so that you can continue the discussions at home.

The session will be on:

Date: 3rd August 2015
Time: Year 7 8.45 – 9.45
Year 8/9 9.45 – 10.45
Venue: School Library



Mark this date in your diary!!

Any questions please phone Sue Spreadborough on 49497333

YEAR 1 LITERACY GROUP

Over the past two weeks, Mrs Galea has been working on the book called 'Where does our Food Come from?' She has been working with a group of six students on activities centred on the book.



To provide a real life experience for the students, Mrs Galea allowed the students to plant their own lettuce. Students have been caring for their plants and have been so excited watching them grow.



As a culminating activity, Mrs Galea is holding a lunch next Tuesday for the students where they will make a salad sandwich using their grown lettuce. We appreciate the effort that she puts into teaching this group.

Geralyn Mathiasen
Prep/Year 1 Teacher



NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM

In case you hadn't noticed, we have been hard at work in the Art Room, painting and drawing various different artworks. We are exploring different artists and their work and then drawing inspiration from their ideas and creating our own! It may seem all fun and games however we are learning to express our own thoughts and ideas in creative ways by manipulating, analysing and appreciating our own and others' artworks. The students are very proud of their work and we always discuss what we like about our work and what we think we could change for next time. Keep up the hard work P-6!



SCHOOL CLEANER'S DAY

School Cleaners Day is a joint initiative of the Department of Education and United Voice and was celebrated on Monday the 15th June. School Cleaners' Day coincides with International Cleaners Day which provides the opportunity to draw public attention to the valuable contribution of cleaners in society.

School Cleaners Day provides an occasion for school communities to celebrate the valuable contributions of our cleaners. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the hardworking cleaners for the role they play in maintaining a safe, clean and healthy environment in our school.



LET'S GET ACTIVE

Sporting Schools . . . still on for last week of term

Students are reminded that "Let's Get Active" program is still running for the last week of term. **Warm Ups and Get Active** on Monday, Wednesday and Friday (8.15am – 8.45am). FREE – no cost with Amy Trembath (qualified Personal Trainer). **Boot Camp** on Tuesday afternoon (3.00pm – 4.00pm) FREE – no cost with Amy Trembath. Rugby League and Athletics Training have finished.

YEAR 10 CAMP

The year 10 students will be camping at Mackay & District Bow Hunters Grounds at Seaforth for their camp between 29-31 July. As part of the camp the students will undertake teambuilding, self-esteem and sports challenges. The school has organised three days of activities which includes fishing, bush cooking, swimming, navigation and team building games. The total cost of the camp is \$125 per student and this will cover everything. Permission forms have been sent home and could you please return them to the office.

PRIMARY REWARDS DAY EXCURSION

The primary school is holding its End of Semester Excursion to reward those children who have done the right thing throughout the first two terms (such as showing respect for staff and fellow students, completing their work and trying their best during school). The excursion will be held on Wednesday, 24th June. The following is an approximate outline for the day:

- 9.00am - Depart school on buses
- 9.40am - John Breen Park – morning tea (all children to bring their own morning tea and drinks)
- 10.30am - Walk from the boat ramp to Town Beach
- 11.15am - Town Beach (free time on the beach)
- 12.00pm - Lunch at the Beach (Primary Student Council will provide a sausage sizzle)
- 1.00pm - Beach activities
- 2.10pm - Return to school

The cost of the day will be \$8.00 per child, this covers the major cost of the bus – Student Council will meet any additional cost. Your child will need to wear their school uniform and bring the following: hat/sunscreen; shoes and socks; snack, little lunch and drinks for the day; a change of clothes (must be sunsafe).

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN



We are really excited to let you know that the Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back. Starting on Wednesday 15th July, when anyone shops at Woolworths, they get one sticker for every \$10 they spend. Completed sticker cards, can be placed in a collection box at school or at your local Woolies. Program closes 8th September 2015.

10 best phrases to teach resilience to your kids

1

Goal

Humour



Phrase

"Come on, laugh it off"



2

Goal

Contain thinking, perfectionism and anxiety

Phrase

"Don't let this spoil everything"



3

Goal

Distraction

Phrase

"Let's take a break"



4

Goal

Handling worry and asking for help

Phrase

"Who have you spoken to about this?"



5

Goal

Offering hope

Phrase

"I know it looks bad now but you will get through this"



6

Goal

Positive reframing

Phrase

"What can you learn from this so it doesn't happen next time?"



7

Goal

Acceptance

Phrase

"Don't worry – relax and see what happens!"



8

Goal

Perspective

Phrase

"This isn't the end of the world"



9

Goal

Flexible thinking

Phrase

"You could be right. But have you thought about ..."



10

Goal

Taking action

Phrase

"What can we do about this?"

NADIOC ACTIVITIES

NADIOC Week (5-12 July 2015)

NAIDOC originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Students are reminded about the Cultural Group lunchtime activities Mrs Donovan runs on a Monday in her room at Calen. Everybody is welcome, come along and have some fun while learning some of the cultures of our First Australian people. Welcome to Sarah Rooney our new Indigenous Teacher Aide who will be working with our children.

Till next fortnight, stay deadly...

Dot Donovan



Together we all can be as one

WANTED

Playstation 2 or 3

If anyone has an unwanted Playstation 2 or 3 they would like to donate to the school, could they please contact Dot Donovan at Calen's Diverse Learners unit.



HPE NEWS



A big thank you to all of the students who helped me co-ordinate athletics events during lunch times, in the lead-up to the Athletics Carnival today. Your help is very much appreciated.

I would like to extend another massive thank you to all of the teachers, staff and volunteers who helped organise and run the athletics carnival. Without your help it would not have been possible.

STUDENT BANKING

Commonwealth Bank is running a stellar School Banking competition in Term 3. Students who demonstrate good savings behaviour have been given the chance to win astronomical prizes such as:

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by D. Dre Solo Headphones
- 200 x \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates



To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3. They will then automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes.

Students can also complete a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. Please note, students can complete the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning.

FARLEIGH CWL CENT SALE

St Brigid's Hall, Bruce Highway, Farleigh
Saturday, 11 July – Starting at 1.30pm

MARIAN MARKETS

The Marian Markets will be held on Sunday the 21st June from 8am to 12 noon at the Church Grounds in Marian. A huge variety of great stalls, with sausage sizzle and refreshments available.

CREATIVE HAPPENINGS CALEN ART UPDATE

Thank you to all the Artists for their entries, this is going to be a fantastic exhibition.

Friday night: 7th August (Invitation only)

\$20.00 per ticket of which \$10.00 goes to the maintenance program at the Cancer Council Gluyas Lodge in Townsville. This place is a blessing for people with cancer and is not Government funded. The other \$10.00 covers your wine, cheese and nibbles.

Peoples days are Sat 8th and Sun 9th August

\$5.00 entry fee, children free.

All Art exhibits need to be left at the Calen Community Hall between 12 midday and 4pm on Wednesday 5th Aug. (Please allow between one and two hours.)

Collection of Art exhibits will be after 3pm on Sunday 9th August.

If Artists and friends would like to purchase tickets for our opening night, Friday 7th of August they are available at the Calen post Office. The cost is \$20 per ticket, payment is required on collection of your ticket. This ticket is also your lucky door number so you need to bring it on the opening night.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION:

Entries and photo pack can be collected at the Calen Post Office with a cut off date to be returned by the 31st July.

COMMUNITY MARKETS:

Sunday 9th August from 9am to 1pm. If there is anybody interested in having a stall please contact Peta Sturdy on 49 587850. Stalls are \$10.00 with all monies going back to the community.

Pindi Pindi P& C: will be catering with light refreshments of tea, coffee and cake.

Calen Hotel: have also come on board to offer a light luncheon over the course of the weekend.

Keep an eye out for our major raffle at Calen Electrical Sales and Service and the Calen Post Office. First Prize is two nights at Dolphin Heads valued at \$500.00 and Second prize is \$100.00 voucher from Country Meats and \$100.00 Voucher from Woolworths.

Thankyou for your support.

Keep an eye out for our Mabel.

Sue, Rhonda and Di.

Calen Community Market Day

Sunday 9th August 2015

9am to 1pm

McIntyre Street, Calen

In conjunction with "Creative Happenings Art Exhibition"

- Local stallholders (Yalbaroo to Mt Ossa) wanted with first option for sites
- Sites allocated by order of forms returned
- Sites not filled by local stallholders will then be opened to surrounding communities & market goers.
- Limited stallholder sites available with only 3 spots available for party planners

Local stall holder booking forms due back by 10th July 2015



For more information & site booking form please contact:

Peta Strudy
4958 7850
calenmarkets2014@gmail.com

Get Out, Get Active



Invitation

We invite all women and girls to consider this invitation; if you are looking to become more active or generally want to become involved in any regular physical activity then we would love to hear from you.

Mackay Regional Council was successful in receiving funding from the State Government's Get Out, Get Active initiative. The grant will be used to deliver initiatives to encourage women and girls to get started in active recreation or sporting activity in the Calen, Northern Beaches, Corralca, Pioneer Valley and Sarina areas of the Mackay region.

Why get involved?

- Make a move and improve your lifestyle
- Boost your health and confidence
- Meet new people
- Have fun

Express your interest for the Get Out, Get Active Program by filling out the form below and emailing it to sport@mackay.qld.gov.au or deliver it to Sport and Recreation Officer, Mackay Regional Council, Civic Precinct, Gordon Street, Mackay, QLD, 4740.

NAME: _____

LOCATION: Calen Northern Beaches Corralca

Sarina Pioneer Valley, Please specify: _____

TOP FIVE ACTIVITIES THAT INTEREST YOU: _____

PREFERRED TIME OF ACTIVITY: _____

EMAIL: _____

WHAT SOCIAL MEDIA DO YOU USE: Facebook Twitter Instagram None





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Sizzling Starts

Over the last few weeks students in Years 3-9 have been learning how to use “sizzling starts” in their writing to engage their audience. Below are some examples of the great sizzling students Year 3/4/5 have written. Keep an eye out for work by the Year 5/6 class in the next newsletter.

The shadow slipped through the alleyway into the darkness. Following hot in the footsteps was Abbie, Reagan and I. “Quick,” said Reagan. But Abbie wasn’t there.....
By Lillian

Whoosh! The door slammed shut everybody huddled in the corner waiting to see what would happen next.
By Jennah

Bang! My parachute was getting closer and closer to the ground. I screamed as loudly as I could.
By Zoe Year 5

As the plane started its engines everyone was relived because they had been sitting there waiting for ages. Suddenly everything went silent, the “Whoosh!”
By Reagan

I looked to the sky and I couldn’t believe my eyes! A meteor! It is the end of the world. “I’m too young to die.....”
By Thomas

Splat! Mrs Rankin fell into the pool. She yelled, “Why did you push me?”
By Max

We were in the attic. We were never allowed in the attic. My sister fell over and she screamed “Aaahhh!” I told her “Sssshhh! We mustn’t make a sound.”
By Abbie

Bang! It sounded like a boulder smashing into the water. It scared me so much! I walked towards the sound. It was getting louder and louder.
By Chloe

Whoosh! The door slammed open as the wind came gushing in through the air.
By Paige

I looked at the sky and saw a strange light glowing down the back paddock. It stopped and then started again and again...
By Bodie

Slowly the cat crept up a tree. I went up to see what it was doing. It jumped!
“Aaaah!!!”
By Paige

Standing in the middle of the burning forest I could see dark smoke through the woods and the destruction of the forest. I could hear the screams of people burning.
By Kaydn

Sizzling Starts

Strange lights were glowing down the back paddock. There was an alien! I think I will just stay in the house or it might swallow me whole.

By Ethan

I can't believe I'm walking on a tightrope! My heart is pounding and the hairs on my body are standing up.

By Samuel

Bang! The rollercoaster went down, really fast. I was so scared that I nearly peed my pants. Suddenly it stopped.

By Kai

Bang! Crash! Boom! The elephant was coming at me, but I had a tranquiliser bullet ready in my pistol.

By Tom

Slowly creeping out behind me was a wizard. I looked back again but it was gone. I knew something was wrong!

By Amy

"It's a bird! It's a plane. Nope! It's Mrs Rankin parachuting through the air!"

By Tahnee

It was a dark night when something mysterious was glowing in the paddock..

By Paige

The wind whipped past my face. Whoosh! My brother flew past my face and hit the ground.

By Jack

I leaped from rock to rock but when I landed on the last one I slipped and fell into the gap. "Aaaah!" I screamed for help but no one came.

By Ella

I was flying a kite and the leaves were falling off the trees. The wind blew the spider web in the tree.

By Mason

"I looked to the sky and I couldn't believe my eyes!" I saw something that had a big tail and enormous wings. Its body was white and it breathed fire from its mouth. It was coming straight towards me!

By Chaycee

"Aaaah.... Aliens! Quick they're going to suck out my brains" I quickly called the police. "Police. Help! There's aliens in my backyard!"

By Michael

Walking across the black, burnt ashy ground I hear the trees whispering through the forest. I'm scared but no one is with me in this smoky, black area.

By Briana

He turned the key and opened the door. I saw something fast go past the door.

By Connor