Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Already we are part way through this term. Time has been taken in classrooms to work on assessment pieces this week. This would be a good time to check in with teachers in regards to your child/children’s learning. By having a clear understanding of the strengths and weaknesses of your child/children’s learning, you will be able to assist everyone with gaining improvements.

Over the last few days, I have spent time in Brisbane at the biannual state Principal Conference. This conference affirmed the work we are doing at Mount Isa Central. I took a few key messages away: Ensure every child is succeeding, intentional collaboration (building staff capability and working with neighbouring schools), having alignment of the curriculum and precision with our work. I am proud of the work and the efforts our staff put into ensuring our students get the very best of education.

Next Monday morning, we will have a visit from our Assistant Regional Director, Dr Graham Foster. Dr Foster will visit classrooms to see our progress as well as talk with our administrative team in relation to our direction and priorities to come.

The week beginning the 11 March 2018 will see a number of extra curricula incursions for all students. These are as follows:

- Monday, author and illustrator Craig Smith will complete four sessions with our students. He will talk about books and pictures – what authors do ... but the main focus will be drawing. Craig will show students how to bring characters to life with movement, expression, humour and drama. There will be lots of hands on drawing.
- Aussie All Sorts Presentation: this show will occur at 1:30pm -2:30pm. It pertains to multi-culturalism and the beginnings of Australia.
- Geoff Dymock will be in our school on the Thursday teaching some of our students the skills of cricketing.
- Clint Bolster Workshop: this is a drama based workshop. Some of our students will have the opportunity to work with Clint on the Friday.

Feel free to visit during these sessions and be part of the learning.

Please remember to feel free to call or come in anytime to discuss the needs of your child/children. We are genuinely interested in ensuring everyone succeeds and are happy learning.

Kind Regards,

Andrea
PARKING

There appears to be huge problems with parking this year. This is no doubt contributed to a number of factors including new employees at some of the work sites along Miles Street. We have had a request from the Site Manager of the Woolworths Petrol Site to not park over the fill points at the fuel station. Please consider this business’ request.

PARADE

This year we have changed our parade time to *8:30-9am* to trial. The reason for this is staff were a little unhappy with some children not being settled as much in the afternoon due to it being the end of the week and being tired. By having the parade in the morning, children should be fresher and able to sit still for the 30 minutes. Friday afternoon has been programmed to have activities that the children do not need a lot of concentration for ie sport, ‘Play is the Way’ activities etc. I would like to encourage feedback around this from parents as I know some parents do really enjoy seeing and being part of parade sessions.

BEFORE SCHOOL

Supervision for students starts at 8am. Supervision only occurs around the buildings – under A Block (Admin) and B Block (near the tuckshop). Each morning we have two aides allocated to these areas. Students are expected to seat themselves. Normally, P-2 are under A Block and Year 3-6 under B Block. This is not necessary as some older students tend to look after the little people and want to be in their area. This is acceptable. It is however expected that we would have no students in any other areas. This is to ensure the safety for all. Parents and carers are most welcome to sit with students in the morning to wait for the bell.

Please send your email address to

admin@mtisacentralss.eq.edu.au

In the subject line please put your name and student’s name. Mainly for new

New families to the school

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**Confirmation and First Communion Program:** Information packages for the 2019 Good Shepherd Parish Confirmation and First Communion Program are now available. They contain information about the Welcome Liturgy on the 11th March. Should you wish to check your child’s eligibility for reception or have any questions prior to obtaining an information package, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office ph: 47498555 or Fr. Mick. mlowcock@tsv.catholic.org.au
We have had a wonderful start to the year in 6L so far. All students have been incredibly respectful and settling in to the class nicely. We have been learning about narratives and how to create an entertaining narrative in English. This involved breaking down sentences, investigating descriptive language and expanding our vocabulary. We are all well on our way to creating engaging narratives!

In Mathematics we have been revising place value to the billions and our multiplication and division facts. We have also been interpreting, comparing and analysing data displays and working with fractions to solve simple equations. On Wednesday, we completed our first Mathematics assessment for the year and all students put in their absolute best effort which was great to see.

In Science we have been learning about states of matter and how matter can go through reversible and irreversible changes. Just a quick reminder that our senior shirt note and money was due on Friday, 1st March. If you have missed this note, please see the office as soon as possible.

Regards,

Mr Lisha

Attendance and absentee notes

Please remember that an absentee note/phone call/or visit to the office is expected when your child is away from school. The schools needs to know the reason for the absence of your child/children which allows us to evaluate our attendance data with greater accuracy and achieve government requirements. A text will be sent or phone call made to parents/carers when reasons for absence are not known. We appreciate your understanding with this issue.

Updated Contact Details

It is imperative that we have your current contact details and address for your child’s safety and security at our school. We need to be able to make contact with every family within the school and currently this is not possible. If your contact details have changed please inform Deborah or Kim in the office, as soon as possible please.

HEALTH

Good afternoon Parents and Guardians,

Due to the heat, it is timely for us to encourage students to be mindful of their personal hygiene and sun safety. As a school, we don’t permit aerosol deodorants; however, antiperspirant roll-on deodorant is permitted and we urge students to use this as often as needed. It is also important that all students to drink water and have a wide brim hat which they must bring to school each day. Students should also consider applying sunscreen in the morning,
particularly if they are playing sport on the oval during their breaks.

**HATS, HATS, HATS**

It is asked that students come to school with a broad brimmed hat. It is so sad to see students not being able to run around and have fun with their friends due to not having a hat.

If for any reason the phone is not answered, please leave a message. The office is fairly steady in the morning and throughout the day. Once a message is left, a red light flashes continuously until the message is retrieved. Retrieval of messages is done immediately. Thank you, Deborah & Kim.

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**LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

Mount Isa Central State School tuckshop is looking for volunteers. Mostly required for at least one day a week (Fridays), and on days we have platters. If you would like to volunteer your time please see Lynette in the Tuckshop and give your name and number. Any help would be appreciated.

Thank you, from the Tuckshop.

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**P & C AGM**

**FRIDAY 8 MARCH 9AM**

**STRAIGHT AFTER PARADE**

**PLEASE SEE OFFICE IF YOU WISH TO NOMIATE FOR A POSITION.**

**OLD LIBRARY**

**LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL THERE.**
From the Guidance Officer

The last fortnight showed many students displaying the golden rule and treating others as they would like to be treated. They were encouraging new students to play with them and being kind and caring to their peers. I hope to see this rule continue each week. Week 5 is always a busy week with assessment and learning so I hope all students and families have a well-earned rest over the weekend, ready to tackle the second half of the Term.

Next Week our rule is it takes great strength to be sensible. This rule is all about making strong choices! Choosing the strong choice is often harder than choosing the weak choice. If we use our strength we can make a strong choice to be sensible in all our environments! Staff at Central School will be looking out for students who are taking great strength to be sensible!

Yasmin Pearce
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Ph. 4437322
Hi all, we are about to enter a busy time for sport within our school and district.

**INTERSCHOOL SPORT**

First up we have the interschool sport gala days of cricket (T20 Blast) and hockey. Students who are born in 2008-2010 are invited to nominate for these teams to play against other schools on Friday 29th March. Both sports are played with modified rules to allow for participation by all ability levels. More details will be forwarded closer to the date.

To assist with preparations for this event, we have Hockey Queensland coming to the school to run coaching sessions. While these sessions will help the school hockey they will be open to everyone. Permission notes will be handed out next week.

**CROSS COUNTRY**

Next Central will be holding its cross country carnival on **Wednesday 3rd April**. To assist in preparations for this event I will be running **training sessions** on the school oval **Wednesdays from 8:05 - 8:25am**. Students from all year levels are welcome to attend. If you do not wish for your child to participate in these sessions please let the school know.

From our school event we have the opportunity to nominate students for the Mount Isa District Cross Country early next term (Thursday 9th May).

**ATHLETICS**

This term during PE lessons students in grades 4-6 are completing an athletics unit in preparation for our athletics carnival. Central’s athletics carnival is booked in for **Friday 3rd May**, with 800m races to be run the morning before (Thursday 2nd May).

From our school event we have the opportunity to nominate students for the Mount Isa District Athletics 10-12yrs carnival on Thursday 23rd May.

Be on the lookout for further information regarding all the events above and I look forward to all the students at Mount Isa Central State School having a go and trying their best at all the sporting events we have coming up.

Natalie Blyth

PE teacher

Thank you

Natalie Blyth

HPE Teacher

MISSA 12yrs Secretary

Mount Isa Central State School

Ph: 07 4437 322
In 2019 the Queensland School Sport 10-12yrs Rugby League Committee will be celebrating 100 years of Primary School Rugby League.

North West Teams will wear a special commemorative jersey at this years’ State Championships.

Each Region has been asked to:

- Select a Regional Team of the century. These teams will be displayed at our function in 2019 culminating in the Qld Team of the Century that will be announced on this night.
- Join the committee in investigating the possibility of having a past player lead their regional team out at the opening ceremony.
- Select a regional person of note so that the committee can strike a commemorative medallion recognising them. This medallion will be awarded to a regional player at the closing ceremony (not necessarily the best player; it might be a sportsmanship award, players player award or commitment award)

To assist with the collation of this information can I please ask that schools ask their staff and community members to assist with the following (if possible it would be great if you could add this info into your school newsletter):

(a) Nominate a person who has made a significant contribution to North West Rugby League at the school, district, region or state level. This may be as a Coach/Manager/Administrator/Convenor and may be a school staff member or community member that has had a strong involvement in the sport of Rugby League at Primary level.

(b) Nominate a past player (ie that has represented North West Region in Primary School Rugby League) to lead out team out at the opening ceremony of this years’ 100th State Championship.

(c)Nominate a past or present student who has played in the North West Team and has previously or is currently playing League at a higher level of competition (ie State Schoolboys Team, Intrust Cup, NRL, or other representative team etc).

If you could circulate this information as widely as you can. NW have a high turnover of officials coming and going from the region so we would greatly appreciate any assistance with sourcing past information.

All nominations need to come back to me as I need to submit our regions information by the end of February.

Thanks

Linda Ashburn

Regional School Sport Officer

North Western Region
CHAPPY NEWS

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STUDENT COUNCIL

Congratulations to:

Aliya Kaniteng (Y6L)
Bailee Morgan (Y6L)
Jenny-May Von Senden (Y6L)
Judie Herzin (Y4/5E)
Amelie Stewart (Y4/5E)
Zali Contarino (Y4/5E)

I will be working with Student Council members again this year to raise funds to support our school and community.

These students will also help me with Breakfast Club every Friday morning. Breakfast Club offers leadership opportunities and increases participation in and engagement with school. It also provides opportunities for socialising with each other.

Breakfast Club is available to all students free of charge on Fridays between 8am and 8:20am

Anti-Bullying & Harmony Day
Friday, 22nd March

We would like to invite our families to come and celebrate with us!

Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. The message of Harmony Day is ‘everyone belongs’, the day aims to engage people to participate in their community, respect cultural and religious diversity and foster sense of belonging for everyone.

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence, is an opportunity for Australian schools to highlight their everyday work to counter bullying and violence.

Let’s come together with friends and families at Central State School to celebrate our diversity and to take a stand against bullying.

We ask parents to bring a plate of their cultural food to share with our school community. Also, students are encouraged to dress in cultural, international or orange clothes.

Important Dates

Friday, 22 March
Anti-Bullying and Harmony Day

Friday, 24 May
Red Shield Appeal (Red Dress Day)

Friday, 26 July
Entrepreneurs/Market Day

Friday, 23 August
Book Week Dress Up

Corlia Pienaar
SCHOOL CHAPLAIN
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ANTI-BULLYING

Our school will be taking part in an anti-bullying prevention program. You may have heard about cyberbullying in the news recently. It has become an important issue for many children and their families. As the Internet and mobile phones have become an integral part of our daily lives, abuses of these technologies have also grown.

As part of the anti-bullying prevention program we will be putting a team of students together to be role models in our school and to present some anti-bullying sessions to other students during the year. Students who want to be part of the anti-bullying team are encouraged to fill out an application form and submit it to Miss Corlia before Tuesday, 12 March. Application forms can be obtained from the office.

We are looking for students who are:

- Kind
- Friendly
- Helpful
- Responsible
- Respectful

FLOOD RELIEF

We have raised $723.10 through selling cupcakes that were donated by our wonderful parents.

On behalf of MICSS, I would like to thank you for your generous donations. Your contribution will be a great help in the relief and rehabilitation efforts towards those affected by the floods in Townsville and surrounding areas. Every cent will help families in need who have lost everything that they own. We appreciate your effort and all that you have done.

We deposited $723.10 into the GIVIT bank account on Tuesday, 26 February.

HOW TO HELP PEOPLE IMPACTED BY THE QUEENSLAND FLOODING

DONATE MONEY

The best way to help right now is by donating money. Funds raised enable GIVIT to buy the exact items people need, when they need it. 100% of funds received will be used to purchase essential items and where possible spent locally to help stimulate the local economy.

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2pm at Sunset Oval
Please arrive early

First Club Training Day / Parent Orientation
Wednesday 24th April 2019 4:30pm

Contact the club: enquiries@mountisaathletics.com.au
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