



WESTERN CAPE COLLEGE

Koolkan
Aurukun
Campus

Principal
Mrs Liz Mackie

What's
happening
this
month?

June

25th — Aurukun Fun Day

26th — Year 1 and 2
Celebration Days

27th — Last Day of Term 2

July

14th and 15th — Student
Free Days

16th — Term 3 begins
(Wednesday)

19th — Cairns Show Holiday

Celebration Parade

Every Friday
12.00pm

Attendance Awards
A B C Awards
Class Awards
Principal's Award
All Welcome

Followed by a school BBQ

Choose a Name

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Aurukun Student Council

2008 has heralded the election of Aurukun Campus, WCC school captains who have attended their first Shire Council meeting as observers. While developing their leadership skills through workshops the elected School Council has been busy meeting to discuss improvements to the school. As a direct consequence, the

water fountains are being repaired under B Block and there will be a drinking trough with bubblers installed in the Junior Playground. The School Council have also campaigned for more resources in the Rewards Rooms. These have been provided, again as a direct result of the Council's ideas.

Well Done SRC!



2008 Student Council at
Leadership Day

The Rewards Room operates each day at 2nd break for those students making great choices in each year level.

Principal's Message

2008 has presented exciting and challenging experiences for all teachers and students at Koolkan Campus, Aurukun. The philosophy of the school has refocused on developing every child to their potential. This means that students are rewarded for good behaviour. We like to catch students doing the right thing. Children who come to school every day can learn the skills necessary to transition to secondary schools anywhere in Queensland. Aurukun families can be very proud of the 32 young people who are successfully attending boarding schools in Queensland.

Teachers are making sure that report cards are ready to discuss with parents / carers. These report cards are requested by boarding schools, so we make sure that student performance is measured in line with state standards. Congratulations to those students who are working at or above state standards – coming to school every day helps students develop positive behaviour and improves academic success. The numbers of children coming to school every day has increased this term from 23 to 66. These children are rewarded by Bendigo Bank receiving \$5 for 5 days attendance and are improving their focus on creating excellent work and positive behaviour at school. Congratulations to all parents and carers who make sure that their children are school ready every day.

In Term 3 we are looking forward to District Sports, Boarding school applications, beautification and redevelopment of B Block and town library and of course the reason why school exists – supporting students to continue improvement in ABC – great Attendance, great Behaviour and great Creative work.

Mrs Mackie

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at the great
work in our
Junior School
classrooms

Year 1

This term, the children from Year One have read "The Three Billy Goats Gruff" and "The Three Little Pigs". They have been very interested in acting out these stories and have also made props to help make their role play more interesting.

We would like to invite all the parents of the Year One children to the school next Thursday (26th June) at 10.00 am to watch the children perform "The Three Little Pigs" and to share our end of term celebration. *Mrs Martin*



Year 1's learning their lines

Year 1 Performance

"The 3 Little Pigs"

Thursday 26th June
10.00am



Year 2 Celebration

"Cooking up treats for you"

Thursday
26th June
10.00am



Prep A and B

In Prep we are learning about different jobs in the community. We have made many exciting things like police cars of cardboard boxes to drive around the classroom. We also dressed up as policemen and used make-believe hand-cuffs. On Tuesday in Week 9 we went on an excursion to the Police Station and everyone had a great time looking at the inside. Our favourite thing was looking at the lights on

the police car and listening to the siren. Thankyou to teachers Selina and Adelaide who both came with us on the excursion.

Ms Cosnett and Ms Einam



The students enjoyed looking at the police vest.

This term the Year 2 students have worked hard on becoming great puppeteers. They have made puppets from paper plates, paddle pop sticks and lots of other items.

They have also shown great learning by trying their very hardest in the Year 2 Net Test. This week we would love for all parents and caregivers to come and see what the year 1's and 2's have been doing at school this term. The children will be putting their cooking hats on and cooking some great treats for parents.

Ms McBurnie

Year 2



Year 2 working on their art projects

We are very proud to say what a great attitude year 3 students have towards their learning. We have seen a huge improvement since the beginning of the year. The students have settled into classroom routines, are being persistent with their school work and are learning to work with each other. We put up pictures of school events, kids learning together and having fun in our classroom. Year 3 has been working on our craft task and will hold a craft stall after the holidays. *Ms Young*

Year 3



The class is standing in front our school family tree.

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Year 4



Tristian and Barry
Year 4 100% attendees

During Semester One Year 4 had a lot of fun and enjoyed school. We had some difficult times but have settled well to produce some great work and great results. We have all learnt a lot this semester and the following are what some of the students liked the most.

Barry enjoyed 2D and 3D shapes; Aquella enjoyed clocks and calendars; Roxanne, Rex and Keenan enjoyed reading books and drawing; Tristian enjoyed making kites and other science experiments; Claudia enjoyed the bullying task, playing games and puzzles. Mr Braney enjoyed the students coming to school so he could help them all learn.

Year 6

Year 6 students

are enjoying setting up and managing their own shop in the classroom as a mini project. The students have learnt what is needed to run a shop, designed their own products and used money to solve practical problems. The students have named their shop 'Aurukun IGA'. Students have enjoyed taking on the roles of shop keeper, customer and security guard.

Well done to year 6 students for the enthusiasm and effort they have put into this project.

Ms Sligo



Luey serving Ethel at the Aurukun IGA

Year 4 / 5



Year 4 and 4/5 ready for work

Year 4/5 has had a very exciting start to the year. Throughout the semester we have studied Australian Inventions and how they have changed over time. Everyone worked very hard when researching their inventions and many

fantastic reports were produced.

We have spent a lot of time reading and cooking with the Prep students which has been fun for both teachers and students. During this time the year 4/5 students have proved to be great role models for the younger students at our school.

We have started to look at what it means to be healthy and safe as a part of a unit we will be studying next semester. We are looking forward to doing lots more cooking as we investigate different healthy foods as well as foods from around the world.

Ms Page

Year 6/7

**Read All About It!
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Aurukun Middle School
students are creating
great work.**

The Year 6/7's have had a great first term. We have been completing activities ranging from, learning the history of Australia to looking at animals and their adaptations. Most recently however we have worked together to create a mock shop, where we are learning the value of money, and business ideas. The 'Aurukun Shire Store' will remain open in the classroom until the end of this term, as we busily complete our money unit in



Students in 6/7 creating posters about the 90's in Australia.
LtoR Serreanna, Nereadine, Topsy, Sarah, Saul

maths. Year 6/7 will continue striving for excellent behaviour and work in the classroom as we prepare for our transition to boarding school next year.

Ms Brewell

Year 8

The Year 8 students have become enthusiastic, young vulcanologists this term. Students have been posing and answering questions such as: What is a volcano, how are they made, what is lava and where does lava come from? The students have become such enthusiasts that it was decided that they would create their own volcano. The Year 8 students will use an orange juice bottle, bicarb soda, vinegar and Paper Mache' to create their representation of a volcanic eruption.



John with his unpainted Paper Mache' volcano.

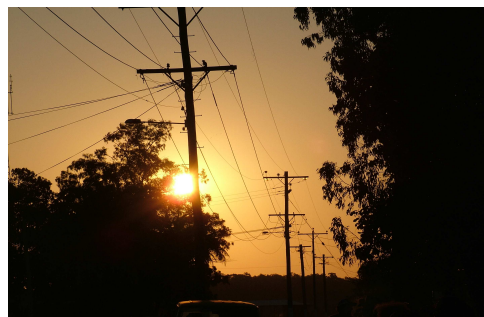
If your child is in Year 7, 8, 9 or 10 and you would like him or her to go to boarding school please make sure you see Mr Buckley in Term 3.

Boarding School Students

Please check the school notice board for Term 3 commencement dates for all of the schools.

Itineraries get faxed to the council office and the school. If Mr Buckley receives an itinerary for your child he will deliver it to you.

Year 9 & 10



This term the Year 9 and 10 class proved themselves as excellent future leaders of our school. They offered their leadership skills to act as teacher aides in the Junior classrooms, mentors for students in the Middle School, and assistants for the administration staff when they needed help. Next term I look forward to seeing many more of Aurukun's young leaders coming to school.

Mr Patterson

Boarding School Bulletin

Semester one has been an extremely busy time in Aurukun for students travelling off to boarding school. We currently have 32 students enrolled at boarding school from Brisbane to Cairns. Our students are attending such boarding school as: Nudgee, Clayfield, Ipswich Girls Grammar, Blackheath and Thornburgh, St Augustines, St Monicas, Woodleigh, Mount St Bernards and Weipa. Our hope is to increase the number of students attending boarding school to over fifty by the end of the year.

Last week we had our Transition Day, which was very successful. Thankyou to all the parents and care givers who came along and signed enrolment forms to get their children off to boarding school for next year. If you would like your child to go to boarding school please come in and have a talk with me so that we can discuss the best possible future for you and your children.

Mr Buckley

Remember!

Over the holidays it is still very important for students to have plenty of sleep, eat healthy foods, and follow healthy hygiene practices.

We need a name for our new school newsletter. If you can think of a good one please come to the school and see Mrs Mackie, Mrs Stewart, Mr Buckley or Miss Leona in the office.