

Benaraby State School Newsletter

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27th June 2025

Term Dates

Monday 14th July

School resumes

16th - 18th July

4/5/6 camp

Friday 25th July

Chase the Baker

Friday 1st August

Primary School Principal's Day

Saturday 2nd August

Benaraby Bush Dance

Monday 11th August

Gladstone Show Holiday

Friday 15th August

Bullying No Way Day

Friday 22nd August

Book Week Dress Up Day

PJ Read In Night

Wednesday 3rd September

Father's Day Stall

Friday 5th September

Pupil Free Day

Thursday 11th September

RUOK Day

Friday 19th September

Last Day of Term 3

Please Note:

All dates are subject to change as required. Notices of events will be sent home to parents as needed.



From the Principal

Welcome to our last newsletter for Term 2. It is without a shadow of a doubt that I can state how amazingly proud and privileged I am to be Principal of such a FABULOUS school. It has been a term filled with learning, joy, resilience opportunities and growing our positive culture here at Benaraby State School and it is wonderful to see that the report cards which were released through QParents this week show such a great effort across our school. Congratulations to all students.

Mount Larcom Show

For the first time we participated in the school display and school work section of the Mount Larcom Show. Our school display placed 2nd! The hard work and efforts of staff led by Mrs Liddle made this possible. Mrs Liddle and Mrs Ramke did a fabulous job assembling our display and we have really enjoyed the stories through the week of our students talking about our school with such pride when they saw our display – many even asking for their photo with it!

Queensland Symphony Orchestra

What a FABULOUS excursion for our whole school that we were able to attend yesterday. From the initial bus ride to the student friendly, inclusive performance, QSO was a great opportunity for our students to see world class performers in action. A HUGE thanks to Miss Terry for her efforts in getting our whole school there and to the Gladstone Events and Convention Centre for their Access Grant which allowed us to get a bus to attend.

Holiday Reading

PARENTS...LISTEN UP..... The school holidays are nearly upon us..... A time to take a break and rest from all things considered as 'schoolwork'.....right?.....Maybe not.

Children have worked so hard over the term and parents have supported their child's learning by being engaged with their children during home reading through the books/readers that the school sent home (hopefully decodable readers as we know these are the best type for beginner learners). Being the holidays, those books have probably now all been returned back to the school right?



MISSION STATEMENT:

Delivering Equity and Excellence by working collaboratively to improve all Benaraby State School students' outcomes.

With 2 weeks break, there's the potential for a child's reading skills to go backwards over this time if not engaged in opportunities to read and be read to.

It is important that parents see learning as a joint responsibility, and just 10 minutes of daily reading during the holidays can potentially avoid the 'Holiday Slide'.

To support parents we have our full range of decodable readers available through our Online Library - Check it out on the website: <https://www.decodablereadersaustralia.com.au>

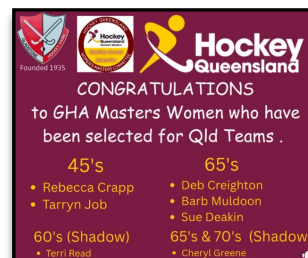
From the whole team here at Benaraby State School....



Notices

Congratulations to Mrs C!


Mrs C has been named to represent Queensland at the National Hockey Championships in Hobart. Best of luck Mrs C!



Prep Vision Screening

Prep parents, please see the email that was sent home regarding the free prep vision screening. You can complete your consent form online by scanning the QR code.





Benaraby State School

Cleaner Position

Benaraby State School is seeking a motivated person to join our Cleaning Team. We have 8.5 permanent hours plus ADO. We potentially have the ability to be flexible around days and split shifts for the successful applicant.

Applications close: Monday July 7th.

Email a resume and cover letter to: 0393_admin@eq.edu.au

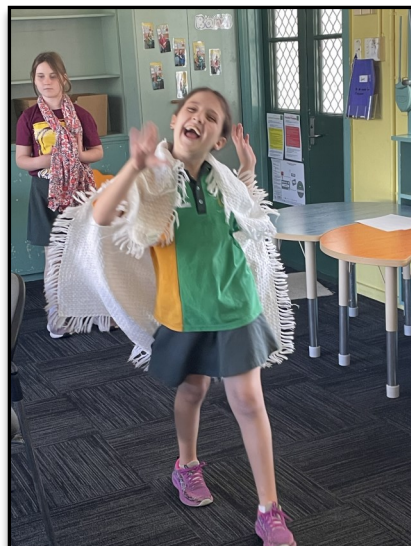
Commencement date will be subject to the successful applicant's paperwork and mandatory training completion.

A criminal history check will be initiated on the successful applicant.

A Blue "Paid" Card (Queensland Working with Children Check) is a mandatory requirement for this position.

From our Guidance Officer

Several students have been participating in small group sessions with our school's Guidance Officer, focusing on developing friendships, building resilience, and enhancing concentration for learning. The students were actively engaged and had a great time learning together





Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.



The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability. As part of that planning the data informs one element of funding for schools, reasonable adjustment resourcing.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured.

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

AWARDS CORNER

CONGRATULATIONS TO LAST
FORTNIGHT'S AWARDEES



PRINCIPAL'S
SHOUT OUT



CHAPPY
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NAIDOC Week Activities



School Watch

The School Watch program encourages everyone to look out for and report any after-hours crime in our schools.

Empty schools can become targets for unlawful entry, arson, stealing, graffiti and property damage, especially during school holiday periods. This comes at a cost to the whole community and not just the financial cost of repairs.

The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education and Protective Services Group, Queensland Police Service, providing a way for members of the community to report anything they see that is suspicious, even if it seems minor.

On average, more than 700 calls are made to School Watch every year, helping to keep our schools safe.

Look, Listen, Report. Call School Watch on **13 17 88**.





COMMUNITY BUSH DANCE & CARDBOARD CHAOS CUP

PRESENTED BY SOLACE REAL ESTATE

Saturday August 2, 2025 3:00-7:30pm

Benaraby State School, O'Connor Rd Gates open 2:30pm

CAKE & CANDY
STALL



LIVE MUSIC
The Elysian Duo
Lost for Words
Mikayla Sippel

PETTING
ZOO



RAFFLES, PRIZES
& OLD TIME FUN!

\$5.00pp • \$15.00 family of 4 • Under 3 FREE
Includes Games, Activities, Live Performances
& Cardboard Chaos Cup



Cardboard Chaos Cup 3:30pm

Register your box brumby by 3:00pm

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RACE YOUR BOX BRUMBY IN THE



Pair up
& WIN!

CARDBOARD
CHAOS
CUP

Dress Up
& Have
Fun!

Race Rules:

- > "Box Brumbies" to be made out of cardboard only
- > No staples, no metal, no sideways protruding parts
- > They can be decorated with anything that isn't sharp
- > Brumbies are to have at least 2 jockeys (preps ride solo)
- > Nomination forms can be completed prior or on the day
- > Bring your box brumby ready to race
- > Jockeys cannot interfere with other jockeys
- > Jockeys must run the whole race inside the "horse"
- > Races run in year levels, adults & sponsor categories
- > Races are run on the oval on a designated "race track"
- > Open to the community, not just students of our school
- > Prizes awarded for 1st place, best dressed & best name



Saturday August 2, 2025 - Registration closes 3:00pm

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This year, we're introducing a corporate category in our annual Cardboard Chaos Cup! Get your business involved and compete for glory on the track.

Corporate Race Rules:

- > "Box Brumbies" to be made out of cardboard only
- > No staples, no metal, no sharp/sideways protruding parts
- > Incorporate your company brand in your Box Brumby design
- > Corporate Brumbies are to be fridge box size or similar
- > 2 Jockeys minimum
- > Jockeys cannot interfere with other jockeys
- > Jockeys must run the whole race inside the "horse"
- > Nomination forms can be completed prior or on the day
- > Races are run on the oval on a designated "race track"
- > Prizes awarded for 1st place, best dressed & best name
- > Corporate Entry Fee: \$100 (included for Gold/Silver/Bronze sponsors)



Saturday August 2, 2025 > Corporate Race starts 4pm

To pre-register & pay email: benarabypandc@gmail.com

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CQUniversity STEM Central - Gladstone Marina

Monday 7th July 2025 to Tuesday 8th July 2025

Eligibility	Date	Time	Fee	No. of Days	Book online*
Yr 1 - 9	7 Jul - 8 Jul	9:00am to 3:00pm	\$181	2	www.trybooking.com/DCMAN

* Always consult the booking link for any changes. Every effort is made to ensure this brochure is accurate but all changes are reflected online.

From Sustainable farming to self-driving cars, **Advanced Engineering & Robotics** model a range of real-world situations that teach students a complete understanding of how the technology works and used to solve the issue at hand. The engineering lessons engage kids with a hands-on learning environment and immerse them in the applications and possibilities of modern technologies. Through PBL (Project-based learning), students combine hardware, Lego® compatible building blocks, and coding to create a prototype and solve real-world problems. The projects are designed to encourage students to invent other viable solutions to these real-world issues and explore ways to utilize existing technology. The completion of these projects will boost confidence and create problem solving ability in students to overcome any challenge from working in their future jobs to solving our world's current or future problems. **All activities are adjusted to the student age and we tackle different challenges on each day.**



Limited spots available!
Early bird discounts
apply for a short time.



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Are you traveling through Central Queensland these holidays? Check out our other locations on our main web page.

For more information
please call 0424 985 172

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cq.young-engineers.com.au

Engineering & Robotics Program provides theoretical knowledge in software and mechanical engineering combined with mathematics and physics.

Electronics: Our electronic kits are specifically designed to minimise assembly time which creates more opportunity to explore the learning's behind how each experiment works. Learn to build circuits in the classroom.

Build-Up Program is designed for little children where they start from learning the basics of building Lego Models including improving them and end up building models independently with a friend and enjoying group game.



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HOME RUN
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Softball Gladstone
Memorial Park Gladstone

Wednesday's 4:00-5:00pm
Starting Wednesday, 16th July
6 week program
For ages 5-12
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