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PLEASE PRAY

- *Pray for all the events listed on our calendar as this is a busy term*
- *Pray for our Year 12 students as they sit their HSC*

Coffs Harbour Christian Community School

Junior School Newsletter

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Week 1 of 9 Term 4

The Importance of Eye Contact

“I fear the day that technology will surpass our human interaction. The world will have a generation of idiots.”

The above quote made the Internet rounds a few years ago and was falsely attributed to Albert Einstein. He may never have uttered those words, but I'm sure he would have something to say if he could see us now!

We've all witnessed it. A family at a restaurant oblivious to one another because they're all busy texting. A poolside parent missing their child's first attempt at butterfly because their eyes are glued to a screen. A couple on a date, both checking their smart phones every three minutes.

We are all guilty of it to some degree. And there is something disconcerting about having a conversation with somebody who is clutching their phone in their hand waiting impatiently for something, anything, to pop up on their screen. Not only are they telling me there is somebody else they'd rather be hearing from, but they are missing the real life interactions that are actually happening around them. The more attached we are to texting and social media, the more detached we are from real life. Being present in the moment is a disappearing concept. My wife was challenged early on to stop filming our kids' every achievement and milestone. To be there in the moment and make eye contact, instead of smiling at them on a screen or through a lens.

An adult makes eye contact between 30 and 60 percent of the time in a typical conversation, according to Quantified Impressions, a Texas-based communications analytics company. But emotional connection is built when eye contact is made during 60-70 percent of the conversation. So an increase in eye contact equates to a deeper emotional connection. It is a good fact to remember in a world of partial attention, when we find it so easy to nod along to our children's stories while reading an email.

God made you special and He loves you very much.

Terrence Yardley
Head of Junior School



Week 1



Uniform Shop Reminder

Don't forget that our Uniform Shop is open each Monday and Wednesday from 8.30-9.30am. Appointments can be made by phoning the Junior School on 6652 6433 before Wednesday 7 December. Following this date the Uniform Shop is closed for stocktake and doesn't reopen until mid January (dates to follow). *Please note that caps in poor condition will need to be replaced with a slouch hat.*

Enrolments

If your child will NOT be attending CHCCS next year and you have not yet let us know in writing, could you please do so immediately as a term's notice is required to withdraw a student. Please send a letter or a signed email to the Junior School—
jsamin@coffsccs.nsw.edu.au

Please Return Notes

There are a lot of excursions coming up in Term 4. Please return notes quickly so that lists can be finalized, and remember if notes are not back by their due date, students cannot attend the event. This will be an exciting term for all students, and we don't want anyone missing out on the fun!



Christmas Child Boxes

If you still have a Christmas Child box, you will now need to take it to one of the local participating churches.



Thank you to everyone who filled a box. We'll keep you updated on their arrival in Cambodia, and maybe even be blessed with some photos, as our Regional Coordinator Michelle, will be accompanying them!

How exciting.

HC Mums Hub

The Café

At Harbour church
Stadium Drive

Thursdays 9.30-11.00am

Facilitated by Dr Lois Oliver, with guest speakers to discuss parenting & relationships. \$5 per session.

Childcare is provide by fully qualified child care professionals.

Call 66528641 to secure your place.



October

Mon 10/10 - First day Term 4
Thu 20/10-Rural Fire talk to Yr 5
Fri 21/10-Kinder to Dolphin Marine Magic
Tue 25/10-Kinder 2017 Orientation
Fri 28/10-Yr 2 Solitary Islands Aquarium excursion



November

Tue 1/11-Grandparents Day
Tue 8/11-Parent Helper morning tea and Assembly
Wed 9/11-Buddies excursion to Jetty Foreshores
Tue 15/11-Yr5 Orientation Day at High School
Tue 22/11-Yr4 to Carobana
Wed 23/11-Yr3 to Carobana
Thu 24/11-Yr5 excursion to Big Banana
Tue 29/11-Yr2 excursion to Jetty foreshores

December

Tue 2/12 - Whole School Orientation Day
Mon 5/12-Semester 2 Reports due out
Fri 6/12 - School Presentation Day
Tue 6/12-Last Day Term 4

