Welcome!

Welcome to Alligator Creek State School.

Ours is a friendly, co-educational rural school that is large enough to offer a range of programs, services and activities. It has a great reputation. We are proud of our well-behaved students, our strong, supportive parent community, our dedicated staff and our grounds.

Our student enrolment is usually around 400, with our school catering for Prep Year through to Year 7. The School is located 15 km north of Sarina and 26 km south of Mackay.

We have strong links with the community and as well we are part of the Sarina Links cluster of schools, with close links with Sarina State High School. We strongly believe that learning takes place more effectively when home and school are in harmony.

Therefore we invite your active support and participation in our efforts, as we will endeavour to support the beliefs and ideals of our school families.

HISTORY

The school was opened on 14 September 1896. Thirteen children were enrolled on the first day. The first teacher at the school was Mr J H Landells.

ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

Admission to PREP: The child must turn 5 by 30 June in the year they enrol in PREP. A copy of the birth certificate and immunisation records is required.

Admission to Year One: The child must turn 5 by 30 June in the year immediately preceding enrolment (if child has not attended Prep, proof of age is required).

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PREP 2014 INFORMATION AFTERNOON

Children born between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009 are welcome to enrol for Prep 2014 at Alligator Creek State School.

PREP 2014 INFORMATION AFTERNOON

Wednesday 23 October, 2013

1.05pm—2:35pm in the Library Annex

A Prep Information Kit can be collected from our school office or at this information session.

The kit contains forms about Prep, your dates for the 2014 school year and enrolment forms.

You will need to bring your child’s birth certificate and immunisation records for copying.

Enrolments for 2014 Years 1 to 7 also welcome to attend this information session.

If unable to attend this information afternoon, an interview with the Deputy Principal is a requirement for enrolment Prep to Year 7.

Please phone the school to organise an appointment.

Our Prep 2014 class orientation afternoon will be Tuesday 3 December, 2013 from 1:45—2:50pm.

All Prep 2014 students and parents are welcome. Please bring — waterbottle, hat, closed-in shoes.

Please gather at the turfshop undercover area.
LOTS OF REASONS FOR KIDS TO GO TO SCHOOL AT ALLIGATOR CREEK!

**The Friendly, Country Atmosphere**
- welcoming, supportive and safe
- caring, passionate teachers and dedicated support staff
- good sportsmanship

**The Great Location**
- the scenic, country setting and attractive surrounds
- clean, green spacious grounds with attractive gardens
- convenient to residences in the Sarina Beach to Hay Point areas
- bus services to most areas

**Excellent Facilities**
- ‘high tech’ classrooms – teachers regularly use multimedia resources to teach
- a well-resourced library with computers and workrooms
- a multi-purpose hall
- a computer lab
- a science and practical activities room
- play equipment and zoned playground areas for year cohorts
- a tuckshop with delicious healthy food options on the menu

**Education for the Whole Child**
- a progressive curriculum based on the Australian Curriculum
- an instrumental music program
- a wide variety of sporting activities

**Education for the Whole Child cont…..**
- a focus on positive behaviour with our ‘4B’s’ – clear expectations and rules to follow
- promotion of the ‘5 Keys’ as part of our social-emotional learning and commitment to developing students who are socially-competent and responsible
- our Skipparos Squad (we are a demonstration school for Jump Rope for Heart)
- our school motto is *Our Best Always* so students are encouraged to do their best in all their endeavours at school
- celebration of our successes with awards at weekly parades

**Achievements in 2013:**
- Winners of the McDonalds Maths competition
- Regional Winners of the Reader’s Cup Challenge
- Champion School Team – Sarina and District Athletics Trials
- Bronze Award – Mackay Orchestra and Bands

**Specialist Support**
- a Music Specialist Teacher
- a P.E. Specialist Teacher
- a LOTE (Languages Other Than English) Specialist Teacher – Japanese
- a Support Teacher: Literacy and Numeracy
- a Teacher-Librarian
- a Guidance Officer (two days per week)
- a School Chaplain

**Special Events**
- Interhouse Swimming and Athletics Carnivals and other interhouse competitions
- Camps and excursions
- ANZAC Day: represented at both the Half Tide Dawn Service and the Sarina ANZAC Day Parade
- Only primary school with a team in the Sarina Relay for Life
- School discos
- Free Dress Days
- Charity Fundraisers
- Annual Christmas Fair
- Alligator Creek’s Got Talent
- School Concert (every second year alternating with DanceFever)
- DanceFever (every second year)
- Queensland Day
- Jump Rope for Heart—Jump Off
- Whitsunday Voices
- Tree Day
- Years 5—7 ICAS Competitions
- Sarina Show Display

**Reducing our Environmental Footprint**
- eco-friendly – focused on reducing our energy and water use, and waste
- the Greenhouse Project – propagating plants for foreshore revegetation at Hay Point
- the Creek Project – restoration and revegetation of the creek bank on our boundary