Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Albany Creek State School. My name is Tina Mortensen and I am the Defence School Mentor (DSM) for Albany Creek State School. (ACSS) As the DSM I monitor the social, emotional and academic needs of Australian Defence Force children at ACSS. I assist students in class who may need additional support and ensure that they settle in once arriving at ACSS.

The Defence School Mentor is an employee of the school, with funding provided annually from the Department of Defence to facilitate the best possible educational outcome for children of Defence members. This funding program is administered by the Defence Community Organisation (DCO) and recognises the partnership between education authorities, schools and Defence to support Defence members and their families."

The DSM is not a teacher but a member of the school team. The position was created as it was recognised that some children experience difficulties academically and socially each time they move school. The Defence School Transition Program has introduced a range of programs to support defence families. Some of these include:

- Organise activities to Welcome and Farewell ADF Families. Get to know you BBQ at beginning of the year and farewell functions at the end of year.
- Monitor new children in the playground and help them when necessary.
- Help families settle into the school community, informing them of local facilities and after school programs available for children.
- Help the school to understand the special needs of ADF parents and their children.
- Adopting a buddy system where new students are being cared for by other students.
- Friendship Corner which is open to all defence children at lunch times where they can come along and participate in activities and form friendships.
- Supporting children whose parent may be away on deployment.
- Help families with Special needs.
- Working with School Chaplain to set up support groups for children when needed.
- Help school commemorate special events such as ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day.

• Assist families collect work portfolios and academic records or reports for new school.

As an ex defence force member I am aware of the hardships and sacrifices that are placed upon defence families and understand that moving schools can be quite daunting for children and their parents.

My aim is to make sure that your children are settling into school, forming friendships and achieving to their best abilities. As a Defence family you have access to a wide variety of programs that have been specifically set up for Defence families.

As part of the DSM program a Welcome Pack for Parents is attached. It contains information on ACSS, local facilities, attractions and services. At ACSS students are made to feel welcome and I ensure that they are settling into their new school. There are several activities which your child may do at lunch times, which include, Hall days, Permaculture Garden, Playground, Library (Air-conditioned), Multi purpose Courts and oval for Grades 4 and above and Friendship Corner. Friendship Corner has been set up for Defence children and their friends in A Block (downstairs) at Big Lunch throughout the week. Children are encouraged to come along if they wish and bring a friend. Activities include art & craft, board games, cooking and outdoor games, with the aim of forming friendships.

Assistance is also available when a parent is deployed. If a parent is to be deployed for a long period of time Journals can be made. These make a lovely keepsake item and something special that they can share with mum or dad when they return home. Diary entries are regularly made and pictures and drawings added. This also gives an opportunity for your child to express any concerns they may have. E-mails to mum or dad can also be sent for shorter periods of absences. Welcome Home sign can also be made, which the children really enjoy making. The important thing to remember is to let me know if they are away. A note can always be left at the office.

At ACSS our school Chaplain may also offer support to your child if needed. This is done in a relaxed atmosphere and a card game or two is quite often played while they chat happily away. Permission forms will need to be filled out prior, for any further questions please ask.

Our Farewell Program includes a special memories book with messages and pictures from students and teachers and a morning tea. This booklet is something they will treasure, so please let me know in advance when they will be laving as they take a few weeks to put together.

The Education Assistance Scheme (EAS) can provide assistance towards the costs of tutoring. This scheme is funded by Defence Community Organisation and is aimed at minimising the disruption of a child's schooling as a result of a posting. The entitlement is available within 18 months at a new school, for 14 weeks, at one hour per week per subject.

At ACSS our school motto is a sound mind in a sound body and our aim is to provide quality education in an open and caring environment. I am available Monday to Friday so please don't hesitate to contact me if you have concerns on 3264 0111 or email <u>tmort37@eq.edu.au</u>.

Yours faithfully,

Tina Mortensen Defence School Mentor Albany Creek State School

DEFENCE INFORMATION

Defence Community Organisation (DCO) provides a broad range of individual and program related services to the ADF community. These services aim to support ADF families to balance the demands of military service with personal and family commitments.

The best way to access any of these services is to contact the Defence Family Helpline on **1800 624 608** or via email <u>DefenceFamilyHelpline@defence.gov.au</u> and receive a response within 24 hours. The Defence Family Helpline is your first point of call for support, information and connection with your community, including your local DCO team. The Helpline is available 24-7 and is staffed by qualified human services professionals including social workers and psychologists.

Visit the DCO Facebook page

'Like' the DCO Facebook page <u>www.facebook.com/defencecommunityorganisation</u> to receive information about support services for Defence families, links with community organisations, and event information for regional and national DCO-run events.

Educational Liaison Officers (EDLOs)

Regional Education Liaison Officers (EDLOs) are professionally trained teachers who understand both the different State and Territory education systems and the Defence lifestyle. They can advise Defence families and children on education issues, particularly related to relocating. EDLOs can assist with changing schools between the various State and Territory primary, secondary and tertiary education systems.

EDLOs are linked to schools and education systems, working to raise the issues that affect Defence families and ensure that equity of educational opportunity is available to all mobile Defence children.

The contact number for the EDLO at Brisbane is (07) 3354 0554

Defence Housing Australia (DHA) Brisbane Information

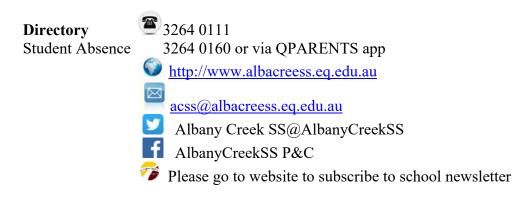
For information relating to services offered by DHA visit <u>http://www.dha.gov.au/</u>. This site contains information about Brisbane, housing, locality information and other relevant information.





ALBANY CREEK STATE SCHOOL Prep to Year 6 - An Independent State School

School Address: 696 Albany Creek Rd Albany Creek QLD 4035



Principal:	Mrs Marie Berriman
Deputy Principal:	Mr Danuel Manns
Deputy Principal:	Mrs Melissa Dickson-Ford
Deputy Principal:	Ms Anthea Blackburn
Head of Special Education:	Mr Jason Glancy

DAILY SCHOOL ROUTINE

Bell Times:

8.45 am	First Bell - move to rooms
8.55 am	Commencement of school
10.55 - 11.25 am	Little Lunch
1.00 - 1.40 pm	Big Lunch
3.00pm	Dismissal (Prep - 2.50pm)

QUEENSLAND SCHOOL CALENDER 2019

<u>Term 1:</u>	Tuesday 29 January – Friday 5 April
<u>Term 2</u> :	Tuesday 23 April - Friday 28 June
<u>Term 3:</u>	Monday 15 July - Friday 20 September
<u>Term 4:</u>	Tuesday 8 October - Friday 13 December

ASSEMBLY

Every Thursday morning at 9.00 a.m. the whole school gathers for Assembly. This Assembly is a tradition in the school and is an important sharing session. Classes take turns to present an item. The Assembly also features the School Song and Presentations to Pupils.

PARADES

Each Monday afternoon at 2.15pm, Prep to Year 2 gather for messages and Happy Gram presentations. The School song and Prayer is listed below.

The School Song

Sung to Marine's Hymn

Let us stand up straight to honour The school of which we're one Children growing strong to conquer A world that is ours to come. Years of toil and play and friendship, Growing strong in all we seek. Friends together, share together – Children are one at Albany Creek

The School Prayer

Oh Lord, we thank you for this day And for the chance you give For us to learn and grow and play And for the life we live. We thank you for Adults who care Who watch and guide and seek And find the best for us to share. Bless us ... at Albany Creek.

AMEN.

In an endeavour to achieve the intent of the school motto 'A Sound Mind in a Sound Body' and other school objectives children are encouraged to be pro-active rather than reactive in all facets of school life and especially in the traditions which have developed over the years. These include:

- Speaking Competition (Years 4- 6)
- Fancy Dress (Years 1 & 2)
- Interhouse & Interschool Sports-Cricket, netball, rugby league, soccer
- Sport & Leisure Clubs (Years 4 6)
- Arts & Music Evening
- Kerribee Concert (School concert) (Years 4 – 6)
- Japanese Speaking Competition (Year 5- 6)

- Bush Dance (Years 3 & 4)
- Music camp (Years 3-6)
- Carols by Torchlight (Years 1 & 2)
- Interhouse & Interschool Athletics
- Disco's
- Swimming Carnivals
- Instrumental Music Program

PASTORAL CARE

Albany Creek is fortunate to have a Chaplain at our school that is affectionately known as Chappy. The chaplain provides counselling, pastoral care and support to students and staff.

CAMPS & EXCURSIONS

During the year Albany Creek offers camps for Years 4, 5 & 6. At present the following camps are available, but are subject to change.

Year 4 -	Camp Warrawee
Year 5 -	Tallebudgera
Year 6	Sydney/Canberra

Excursions and activities are held throughout the year and advertised in the "Creek Weekly" (school newsletter). Some include Pirates Day,, Teddy Bears Picnic, and museum visits.

"BUDDY" READING

Through Pastoral Care, children from classes in the Upper part of the school "adopt" classes in the Lower school. These older children help the younger ones with reading, writing, games etc. It has proved to be most beneficial to both classes.

BAND AND CHOIR

A full time music specialist is attached to this school. Instrumental teachers visit the school and instruct in woodwind, percussion, brass and string. Tuition can commence in Year 5, for woodwind, percussion, brass and Year 3 for strings.

School choirs and bands function within the school and children are encouraged to join either the choir or band or both.

- Junior Choir
- Recorder Band
- String Assemble

- Senior Choir
- Concert Band
- Percussion Band

SCHOOL SPORTS

Interhouse and interschool competitions are conducted in season. Major sports played at present include Soccer, Netball, Softball, Cricket, Rugby League and Touch Football.

Junior Sports day is for Prep, Years 1 and 2, and Senior Sports day is for Years 3-6. House team colours are as follows:

- Cash Red •
- Leitch Yellow

- Joyner Green
- Eaton Blue

If there are 2 or more children from the same family, all are placed in the same house.

A Swimming carnival is held in Term 4 for Years 4 - 6. Children have a choice of entering an event and earning points for their team (swim 25 metres) or enter age champion events and swim 50 metres.

Sports Teams War Cries

<u>JOYNER</u>

North, South, East, West We're the ones that are the best. Who are we, we're the greens. We're the best of all the teams. J - O - Y - N - E - R, Yeah, Joyner!



EATON

Eaton, Eaton are the best. Eaton, Easton never rest. We always try no matter what, So, on we go and beat the lot $\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{T} - \mathbf{O} - \mathbf{N}$, Yeah Eaton!



<u>CASH</u>

Dollars, Dollars, Cents, Cents. We are the best in all events, On we go, full of dash, Who are we, we are Cash. C -A - S - H, Yeah, Cash!





LEITCH

Extra, extra, real all about it. We've got the team and we're proud to shout it. We're rough, We're tough, We're hard to bluff, So come on Leitch, do your Stuff. L - E - I - T - C - H, Yeah, Leitch!

PERMACULTURE

Within our school grounds teachers and students have established a permaculture garden which is available at big lunch for everyone to enjoy. Activities include: compost making, planting seeds and seedlings, harvesting fruit and vegetables grown organically by the children, and establishing new gardens. The children are also responsible for caring for the chickens, worm farm, tadpoles and native bees that are housed within the garden confines. Some children are regular helpers, while others attend at random. All are welcome and at the end of lunchtime the vegetables and fruit harvested that day are shared amongst the helpers present - much to the children's delight. Open Tuesday and Thursday at Big Lunch.

TUCKSHOP

The tuckshop is open Wednesday to Friday and offers a wide range of food lines. It operates during both the morning and lunch breaks. Mothers who wish to help in the tuckshop are always welcome. In addition the following items are available from the Tuckshop - school uniforms, school hats, school socks, and water proof library bags. Ordering for tuckshop can be done online by using flex schools. For further information go <u>www.flexischools.com.au</u>

LOST PROPERTY

A lost property box is held at the school near the toilets in the covered games area and parents are free to look in this for lost property.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Before School Care is held between 6.30am - 8.45am Monday to Friday, after School Care is currently available in the afternoons (2.50pm - 6.00pm). It is a joint Y.M.C.A.-Albany Creek State School project catering for students from Prep to Year 6. Further information about this facility along with the necessary enrolment applications may be obtained from the school office or the Y.M.C.A Family Centre on 3264 4907 or via Quick Link on the schools website. Vacation care is available.

<u>BUS SERVICE</u> - three bus companies service the school: Thompson's Bus Services, Brisbane Bus Lines and Brisbane City Council.

Cashmere Bus (Thompson Bus Services) - This services Warner/Cashmere area and departs from our school at 3.05 pm.

Clear Mountain Bus (Thompson Bus Services) – This services Cashmere/Clear Mountain area and departs our school at 3.05 pm.

Brisbane Bus Lines – This services Eatons Hill/Draper area and departs from our school at 3.20 pm.

Brisbane City Council services Brendale and leaves from the bus stop in Wruck Crescent at approximately 3.15 pm.

The information listed above has been taken from the Student handbook and is only a brief description of the school and its facilities. For detailed information please refer to Student Handbook or visit <u>www.albacreess.eq.edu.au</u>.

QPARENTS

Our school has commenced an online portal called QPARENTS, it allows parents to connect instantly to our school to access and manage information about their child's student information. For further information contact the school office on 3264 0111 or visit <u>https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about</u> or call 13QGOV (137468)

STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

Our Behaviour Management Statement: At Albany Creek we expect that everyone will think ahead and make responsible decisions that respect the rights, feelings, and safety for all concerned.

Underpinning this plan is the Albany Creek State School Positive behaviour Plan. This plan bases all behaviour around four key concepts: Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Safe and Be a learner.

"Buzza" the bee embraces these characteristics and promotes and recognises positive behaviour displayed by students. Awards are received at assembly for those students demonstrating positive behaviour.



Further Information about our school can be located in the Albany Creek State School Handbook which can be located on the schools website or the school office.

THINGS TO DO AND SEE



There are plenty of things to do and see in and around Brisbane. Listed below are only some of the attractions and activities that are available. There are also great web sites available that you can access to give you s

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- <u>http://brisbanekids.com.au/</u>
- <u>http://www.weekendnotes.com/brisbane/</u>
- <u>http://visitbrisbane.com.au</u>

PARKS

These are great parks to take the kids out for the day and all are within ½ hour drive. Parks located in Albany Creek and the surrounding Shire are listed on the 100 Parks & Reserves in Pine Reserves.

For further information visit www.moretonbay.gld.gov.au

Kids Space Murphy Road, Chermside

John Goss Reserve Maudrell Terrace, Chermside West

Teralba Park Teralba Street, Everton Park



H.T. Ireland Eatons Crossing Rd, Eatons Hill

Southbank Parklands Southbank

REDCLIFFE SHIRE PARKS Suttons Beach Marine Parade, Redcliffe

Pelican Park Hornibrook Esplanade, Redcliffe

Scarborough Beach Park Landsborough Avenue, Scarborough **New Farm Park** Brunswick Street, New Farm



Lemke Park Fredrick Drive, Albany Creek

Raven Street Reserve Rode Rd, Mc Dowall

Grindstead Park Shand Street, Stafford

Anzac Park Dean Street, Mt Cootha

NORTH PINE DAM PARKS

North Pine Dam Forgan Road Mt Samson,

Bullocky Rest Reserve, Forgan Road, Joyner



CITY ATTRACTIONS

Brisbane Planetarium Mt Cootha Rd Ph No: 3403 2535



Sciencentre Cnr Grey and Melbourne Streets, South Bank Ph No: 3220 0166 **Queensland Museum** Cnr Grey and Melbourne Streets South Bank, Ph No: 3480 7555

Queensland Art Gallery Melbourne Rd, South Brisbane Ph No: 3840 7322

OTHER ATTRACTIONS

The Workshops Rail Museum North St, Ipswich Ph No: 3432 5100 **Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary** Jesmond Rd, Fig Tree Pocket Ph No: 3378 1366

NORTHSIDE ATTRACTIONS

North Pine Country Park Dayboro Rd, Kurwongbah **Alma Park Zoo** Alma Road, Dakabin Ph No: 3204 6566

Bracken Ridge Central Steam Railway Mc Pherson Park, Denham Street, Bracken Ridge 4th Sunday of every month, opens 10.00 am

Osprey House Environmental Centre

Dohels Rock Rd, Griffin Ph No: 3205 0529

Horse Riding

Welcome Horse Riding Winn Rd, Mt Samson, Ph No: 3289 4644

Walkabout Creek & Wildlife Centre

Brisbane Park Headquarters 60 Mt Nebo Rd, The Gap Ph No: 3300 4855

Boondall Wetlands

Bicentennial Road, Boondall Ph No: 3865 51879 **Mt Samson Emu Farm** Winn Rd, Mt Samson Ph No: 3289 4264

Lyell Deer Farm Foggs Rd, Mt Samson Ph No: 3289 4270

Slickers Horse Riding Dunlop Lane, Dayboro, Ph No; 3285 1446



<u>PCYC</u>

Police Citizens and Youth Club (PCYC) offers programmes such as rock climbing, gymnastics, karate, kindy gym and trampolining. Each centre offers a variety of programmes, listed below are the closest centres to Albany Creek:

Pine Rivers	Francis Rd, Bray Park	3205 3367
Arana Hills District	135a Oleria St, Arana Hills	3855 1980

INDOOR ACTIVITIES

Roller Skating Skateaway – (Centro Albany Creek) Albany Creek Rd, Albany Creek Ph No: 3325 1711

Westfield Shopping Centre, Strathpine

Ten Pin Bowling

Brisbane Arts Theatre (Children's Theatre Programme) 210 Petrie Terrace, Brisbane Ph No: 3369 2344

Ice Skating 2304 Sandgate Rd, Boondall Ph No: 3865 1694



AQUATIC FUN

Albany Creek Leisure Centre

Albany Creek Road, Aspley

931 Old Northern Rd, Albany Creek Ph No: 3264 9900

Sandgate Swimming Pool Complex

231 Flinders Parade, Sandgate Ph No: 3269 7946

Southbank

Southbank Parklands (Artificial beaches, parks) **Chermside Aquatic Centre** 375 Hamilton Rd, Chermside Ph No: 3359 6134



Settlement Cove Lagoon Cnr Redcliffe Parade and Anzac Avenue, Redcliffe

(Lagoons, shades swimming area for little ones, parks and beach nearby)

CINEMAS

Birch Carrol & Coyle Westfield Shopping Centre Strathpine, Gympie Rd, Strathpine, Ph No: 3881 2037 Westfield Shopping Centre Chermside, Hamilton Rd, Chermside, Ph No: 3632 5555

South Bank Cinema Complex, (Discount Prices) 167 Grey St, South Bank, Ph No: 3899 3022 or <u>http://www.cineplex.com.au</u>

Further listings are available in the White pages.

GARDENS

MARKETS



Southbank Parklands, South Bank

City Botanic Gardens

Entry points include, George,

Albert and Edward Streets

Roma Street Park Lands, Brisbane

Brisbane Botanic Gardens Mt Cootha Rd, Toowong (Planetarium and beautiful gardens)



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Hamilton Petrie Carseldine t City Fortitude Valley Southbank $\begin{array}{l} {\rm Fri-Sat}\; 4.00 {\rm pm}-10.00 {\rm pm}\\ {\rm Sunday}\; 8.00\; {\rm am}-2.00\; {\rm pm}\\ {\rm Saturday}\; 6.00 {\rm am}-12.00 {\rm pm}\\ {\rm Sunday}\; 8.00\; {\rm am}-3.00\; {\rm pm}\\ {\rm Saturday}\; 8.00\; {\rm am}-4.00\; {\rm pm}\\ {\rm Friday}\; 5.00\; {\rm pm}-10.00\; {\rm pm}\\ {\rm Saturday}\; 11.00\; {\rm am}-5.00\; {\rm pm}\\ {\rm Sunday}\; 9.00\; {\rm am}-5.00\; {\rm pm}\\ \end{array}$

For all of those shopperholics there is a Factory Direct Shopping Outlet, which is located at No 1 Airport Drive. Hundreds of specialist stores with factory direct and seconds available. There is also another Factory Direct outlet located at Pacific Harbour at the Gold Coast.



SHOPPING CENTRES



Albany Creek has a variety of shops and outlets providing residents with a great range of choice. The bigger shopping centres such as Westfield Strathpine and Westfield Chermside are only 15 minutes away. Below are various shopping centres and outlets, located within and around Albany Creek.

Woolworth's Shopping Village, South Pine Rd, Albany Creek

- Woolworth's
- Newsagent
- Chiropractic Centre
- Japanese Café
- Thai Restaurant
- Optometrist
- Bakery
- Bargains Central

Albany Market Place, Albany Creek Rd, Albany Creek

- Night Owl
- ANZ Bank
- Indian Restaurant

• Baskin & Robbins

• Real Estate Agent

• Nando's Chicken

Speciality Stores

• Travel Agents

• Westpac Bank

- Pool Shop
- Chemist
- DVD Shop

- Fish & Chips
- Chinese Restaurant
- Cheesecake Shop
- Thai Restaurant
- Doctors
- Cafe •

Portobello Restaurant

Bottle Shop Hair Dressers

Domino Pizza

Indian Restaurant

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- Bike Shop
- Bakery
- Real Estate Agent •
- Butcher •
- Beautician •

Centro Albany, (including surrounding shops), Albany Creek Rd, Albany Creek

- Coles • Post Office
- Bakery
- Hairdressers •
- Gym
- Indian Restaurant •
- Hairdresser
- Chemist •
- Barber
- Commonwealth • Bank

Westfield Shopping Centre, Gympie Rd, Strathpine

- Target •
- Woolworth's
- Specialty stores
- Best and Less
- Medicare Office
- Bowling •

Brookside Shopping Centre, 159 Osborne Rd, Mitchelton

• Big W

- Myer •
- Mr Toys

• Specialty Stores

- Medicare Office
- Coles
- Post Office •

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- Skating •
- Optometrist
- **Bargain Plus**
- Newsagent
- Suncorp Bank •
- Dry Cleaners
- Key Cutting •
- Japanese Restaurant

- **BigW**

- Post Office

Cinemas

Arana Hills Kmart Plaza, Patrick Rd, Arana Hills

- Kmart •
- Specialty Stores •
- Coles
- Bargin Plus •

Hyper Market, Albany Creek Rd, Aspley

• Coles

• Kmart

Aldi •

- Woolworths •

• Post Office

Chemist

•

- Post Office
- Specialty Shops

Westfield Shopping Centre Chermside, Hamilton Rd, Chermside (largest in area)

Target •

• Medicare

- Kmart
- Mr Toys •
- •
- BIG W
- David Jones

Outdoor eatery

Carseldine Homemaker Centre

- Bunnings •
- •
- - Specialty Stores
- Good Guys •
- Aldi Supermarket •
- Chemist •

- Specialty Stores

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- Food Courts
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- Coles

- Smiggle
- - - •
- Lowes

- Super Cheap
- Bedwares
- - - JB-Hi Fi
- - Crazy Clarks •
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- Best and Less Туро

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• Cinemas

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RESTAURANTS

All of the restaurants listed below have play facilities for children, so you can relax and enjoy your meal while they play

Everton Park Tavern 101 Flockton Street, Everton Park Ph No: 33532300

Kedron Wavell Services Club Cnr Hamilton Rd & Kittyhawk St Chermside, Ph No: 3359 9122

Warner Tavern 2 Everest St, Warner Ph No: 3882 2440 Albany Creek Tavern 730 Albany Creek Rd, Albany Creek Rd, Ph No: 3264 1477

Samford Valley Hotel Main St, Samford Ph No: 3289 1212



Eatons Hill Tavern 646 South Pine Road, Eatons Hill Ph No: 3325 6777

FRASER ISLAND

Fraser Island is the largest sand island in the world. It has almost 200 lakes, most of them perfect for swimming. Lake Mc Kenzie is known as the mirror Lake and has crystal clear water. It has a variety of accommodation available from camping to cabins and resorts. You can do as little or as much as you like, activities to do include camping 4WD, bushwalking, fishing and bird watching. The island has is full of wildlife and includes wallabies, echidnas, dingoes various species of birds including the sea eagle. Fraser Island can be accessed by ferry or barge from Inskip Point, Hervey Bay Marina or River Heads.

Access to the island is restricted to 4WD vehicles and permits are required for access and camping from the River Heads Information Kiosk, Hervey Bay Marina Kiosk and QPWS in Brisbane, Maryborough, Gympie and Rainbow Beach.



MORETON ISLAND

At Moreton Island you will find beautiful beaches, bushland, crystal clear lakes and camping grounds. Activities to do include, swimming, snorkelling, scuba diving, sand tobogganing, hand feeding dolphins, bird watching, bush walking, camping and 4WD. 4WD is essential for getting around and permit for access and camping is available from ferry operators. Moreton Island is accessible from Scarborough Boat Harbour at Redcliffe. For further information contact:

The Ranger, Moreton Island Recreation Area Via Tangalooma Resort, Moreton Island Ph No: 3408 2710



NORTH STRADBROKE ISLAND

North Stradbroke or "Straddie" as it is affectionately known has three townships, Dunwich, Amity Point and Point Lookout. There you will find beautiful beaches, and freshwater lakes. There are numerous camping grounds available, activities to do include sand boarding, sea kayaking, and 4WD discovery tours. The Visitor Information centre at Dunwich is a great source of information where you can obtain information about all the things that Stradbroke has to offer.

Stradbroke is accessible from Cleveland and offers a ferry service across to the island. For further information contact:

Stradbroke Ferries	Departs Toondah Harbour, Cleveland	Ph No 3286 2192
Stradbroke Flyers	Departs Toondah Harbour, Cleveland	Ph No 3286 2666

Contact Redland Tourism or North Stradbroke Island Visitors Centre for further information regarding camping permits, accommodation and bookings.

Redlands Tourism	152 Shore West, Cleveland	Ph No 3281 0057
Nth Stradbroke Visitors Centre	Junner Street, Dunwich,	Ph No 3409 9555

SUNSHINE COAST

Some of the best beaches on the Sunshine Coast are Laguna Bay, Noosa, Sunshine Beach, Peregian, Coolum, Caloundra – Kings Beach, Dicky's Beach, Moffat Bay, Mooloolaba, Maroochydore, Alexandra Headland and Currumundi (great for little ones).

National Parks

The National Parks on the Sunshine Coast include Blackall Range, Glass House Mountains, Noosa National park, Cooloola National park, Mapleton and Kondalilla National Parks.

Australia Zoo

Live shows daily where you can see crocodile, tigers, birds, koalas, snakes and loads more animals. Australia Zoo is located at Beerwah.



Aussieworld

Aussieworld is an amusement park, which includes an Aboriginal cultural centre where you can see Aboriginal dance or a cultural show with didgeridoo playing. Activities include a black smith demonstration, stock whip demonstration and sheep shearing.

Ettamogah Pub

Right next door to Aussieworld is the Ettamogah Pub, a great Australian outback pub.

The Big Pineapple

The Big Pineapple houses a giant pineapple at the front entrance. The overgrown fibreglass pineapple houses a video display on tropical fruit growing. Take a ride on the Nutmobile or miniature cane train and see the plantation at work.

The Ginger Factory

The Ginger Factory is the world's largest Ginger processing factory, it has numerous rides an attractions including he historic cans train, a motor museum, dolls cottage, and Macadamia kitchen.

Go Karting

For some excitement visit the Big Kart Track and go kart till your hearts content.

Noosa

Hasting Street at Noosa is crammed with restaurants, cafes, boutiques and luxury holiday apartments. There is a great picnic spot at "The Spit" located at the end of Hasting Street. Enjoy lunch next to the Noosa River, which is a great little spot for young children to swim and play, or catch the waves on the surf side for a great day out.

Eumundi Markets

Great markets held on Saturday and Wednesday mornings located on the Main Street of Eumundi.



Strawberry Fields Farm

Located at Palmview off Bruce Highway Strawberry Fields allows you to pick your own strawberries. They also have a playground, café and homemade strawberry ice-cream. Check for picking season to avoid disappointment

The Queensland Air Museum

The Queensland Air Museum is a great place to visit for all plane loving kids of all ages. This is a collection of mostly miliary aircraft and memorabilia.

Superbee Honey Factory

The Superbee Honey Factory is an amusement park for children with fairytale attractions such as the Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. There is a live beekeeping demonstration and over 28 varieties of honey on offer.

Top Shots Fun Park

Top Shots Fun Park is an amusement park for children with attractions that include mini golf, blaster boats, extreme trampolining and indoor rock climbing.

Under Water World

Underworld World offers a large variety of sea life displays and shows including "Seals Behaving Badly". Under Water World is located at the Mooloolaba Wharf.

For further information on the Sunshine Coast see www.sunshinecoast.com.au

GOLD COAST



Some of the best beaches at the Gold Coast include, Burleigh Heads, Palm Beach, Mermaid Beach, Main Beach and Surfers Paradise.

National parks

The Gold Coast offers tropical rainforest, which include Springbrook and Lamington National Parks, Mt Tambourine and Mt Warning.

Currumbin Sanctuary

Currumbin Sanctuary has the largest collections of Australian animals in the world. Feed the colourful lorikeets, see the kangaroos, wombats, wallabies, koalas, fresh water crocodiles and loads more animals.

Warner Brothers Movie World

Attractions include the Lethal Weapon Ride, Wild West Falls, Scooby Doo Spooky Coaster, Looney Tunes Village and the spectacular Main St parade where you can see all your favourite characters.

Address: Pacific Highway, Oxenford (exit is signed).

Sea World

Sea World is a great family day out. Attractions include the Polar Bears, Shark Bay, Dugong Discovery, a 4-D presentation, Cartoon Network Beach, Corkscrew Rollercoaster, Bermuda Triangle, Dolphin Cove Show, Quest for the Golden Seal, water slides and water-ski displays. *Address: Sea World Drive, Main beach*

Wet'n'Wild Water World

For great fun Wet'n'wild has many attractions including Mammoth Falls, Terror Canyon, Supa 8 Aqua Tracer, Calypso Beach, the Giant Whirl Pool, Dive-in Movie and Tin Can Bay.

Address: Pacific Highway, Oxenford (exit is signed).

Outback Spectacular

The Australian Outback Spectacular is an Australiana dinner and show package featuring many Australian animals, songs and bush tucker. The show is located between Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet'n'Wild Water World at Oxenford on the Gold Coast.

Dream World

Attractions include Tiger Island, Wiggle World, Riverboat Cruise, Gold Rush Country, Koala and Kangaroo sanctuary, waterslides and loads of rides. *Address: Pacific Highway, Oxenford (Exit is signed).*

White Water World – (at Dreamworld)

White Water World is heated all year round and boasts the most extreme waterslides and family friendly attractions from the Wiggles and Nickelodeon. *Address: Pacific Highway, Oxenford (Exit is signed).*

For further information on the Gold Coast see <u>www.tourismgoldcoast.com.au</u>\

MORETON BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Pine Rivers District

Pine Rivers district has several train stations in the area; the closest to Albany Creek is Strathpine, Bald Hills or Enoggera. An average train ride to the city would take approximately 40 minutes from Strathpine or Bald Hills or alternatively there is a train station at Enoggera where it will only take you 15 minutes to get to the city.

To obtain current timetables and fare information, contact Transinfo on 131230 or <u>www.transinfo.qld.gov.au</u>. Buses also travel in around the shire and to the city.

Council's Libraries are located at:

- Albany Creek Library, 16 Ferguson Street, Albany Creek, Ph No: 3264 5267
- Arana Hills Library, Cobbity Crescent, Arana Hills, Ph No: 3351 3401
- Kallangur Library, 1480 Anzac Avenue, Kallangur, Ph No: 3204 4944
- Strathpine Library, Cnr Gympie & South Pine Roads, Ph No: 3490 6698

Council also provides a Toy Library, which is located within all Libraries and is open to all Library members. Items available for loan include toys, games, and puzzles suitable for children up to age 6.

Waste & Recycling

Green refuse bins are collected weekly, regardless of public holidays, and recycling bins with the yellow lid are emptied fortnightly, to find out your collection day contact Council on (07) 3480 6666 and ask for Pine Waste.

Pine Rivers Waste (Dump) is located on Bunya Road, at Bunya, and presently offers free dumping facilities, including recycling to all Pine Rivers residents. Proof of residency is required.

Local Facilities

Moreton Bay has variety of facilities on offer, listed below are a few:

- Environmental centres
- Bike Trails and shared walkways
- Canoe Trails
- Horse riding Trails
- Art Gallery and museum
- Markets
- Libraries
- Skate Parks
- Over 500 parks
- Markets
- Swimming Pools and leisure centres

For further information: <u>www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au</u> or phone 3480 6666.

RESTAURANTS & TAKEAWAY FOOD OUTLETS







Albany Court Chinese Restaurant	3264 1680
Albany Creek Tavern	3264 1477
Albany Creek Thai Restaurant	3325 1122
Bombay Bliss	3264 1510
Cheesecake Shop	3325 4334
Confucius Asian Cuisine	3264 3838
Coffee Club	33253020
Domino Pizza	131 888
Diggers Pies	3264 4652
Eaton's Hill Tavern	3325 6777
Everton Park Tavern	3353 2300
Fish Lips Fish & Chips	3851 1132
Kentucky Fried Chicken	3325 0588
Mc Donald's Albany Creek	3254 5264
Montiezumas Albany Creek	3325 2713
Nandos	3264 1248
Noodle Box	3325 5490
Phuket Kitchen	33255972
Pizza Hut Delivery & Takeaway	3892 1111
Pizza Capers	134PIZZA
Portabella	3264 8044
Thai Kasinee	38896606
Subway Albany Creek	3264 8800
Tides Inn Fish & Chips Seafood	3264 2544
Wheelers Bakery	3325 1400
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COMMUNITY REGISTER

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Albany Creek Police Station	3264 0599 / 3264 0521
Eatons Hill Fire Brigade	3264 5819
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SPORTS CLUBS/ASSOCIATIONS	
Albany Creek Cricket Club	3264 4039 / 3264 5993
ACE Netball Club	info@acenetball.com.au
Albany Creek Crushers Rugby League Club	3325 1422
Albany Creek Excelsior Club (Soccer)	3264 2885
Albany Creek Gymnastics Club	3881 1666
Albany Creek & Samford Softball Club	3205 2736
South Pine Sports Association	3325 2788
Albany Creek Swim Club	3264 1839
Albany Creek Junior Tennis Club (Woods Tennis)	3264 2011
Albany Creek Music	3264 6766
Guides (QLD)	3252 3061
Hockey (QLD)	3399 6577
Little Athletics (QLD)	3371 8253
Pine Rivers Hockey Club	0439 852 404
Pine Rivers Baseball Club	3353 4812
Playgroup Association (QLD)	3371 8253
Rugby League (QLD)	3858 5252
Skateaway – Albany Creek	3325 1711
Scouts (QLD) Drama – Helen O'Grady	3870 7000 3353 0555
Dialila – Heleli O Glady	5555 0555
ASSOCIATIONS/SERVICE CLUBS	
Albany Creek Garden Club	3886 1770 / 3264 1026
Albany Creek Apex	3264 5261 / 3264 3050
Lions Club of Albany Creek	3264 5680
Rotary Club of Albany Creek	3268 6655
MEDICAL CENTRES	
Albany Hills Radius Centre	3264 0800
Albany Care 7 Day Medical Centre	3264 6632
Albany Place Family Medical Practice	3264 7600
Eatons Hill Family Practice	3325 4555
HOSPITALS	
Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital	3636 8111 (Emergency Dept)
Royal Children's Hospital	3636 3777 (Emergency Dept)
Holy Spirit Northside Private Hospital	3254 3133 (Emergency Dept) 3250 8111 (Emergency Dept)
Prince Charles Hospital Redcliffe Hospital	3350 8111 (Emergency Dept) 3883 7777 (Emergency Dept)
North West Brisbane Private Hospital	3264 3133
Tiortin west Drisbane i rivate riospital	5207 5155
CHIROPRACTORS	
Albany Creek Chiropractic Clinic	3325 0222
Vitality Chiropractics	3325 0506

DENTISTS Dental Hospital	3240 1444
Albany Dental Surgery Albany Dental Clinic & Orthodontist Dental Plus – Brendale	3264 1033 3264 5698 3889 8889
ORTHODONTIST	5007 0007
Shrine Orthodontist	38810165
Peter Mc Mahon	3325 0255
PHYSIOTHERPISTS Action Physio (Debbie Bailey)	3264 1498
Albany Creek Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic	3264 3448
Go2 Human Performance	3355 5540
MEDICARE	12.20.11
Chermside (Westfield Shopping Centre) Strathpine (Westfield Shopping Centre)	13 20 11 13 20 11
Mitchelton (Brookside Shopping Centre)	13 11 20
See Medicare at <u>www.hic.gov.au</u>	
MORETON BAY SHIRE	
Customer Service	3480 6666
Albany Creek Community Centre	3264 1884 / 3205 2955
Albany Creek Leisure Centre (Pool)	3264 9900 3264 5267
Albany Creek Library	3881 9999
Pine Rivers Community Health Centre	
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KINDERGARDENS / PRESCHOOLS Albany Creek Kindergarten & Pre-school Eatons Hill Community Kindergarten & Pre-School Strathpine Kindergarten & Pre-school	3264 1838 3264 3455 / 3264 2287 3205 1447
CHILDCARE FACILITIES Tadpoles Early Learning Centre Albany Creek Albany Creek Day Care Centre Mother Duck Eatons Hill	3325 2099 3264 2499 3264 6277
DANCE CENTRES AMMA School of Dance Dance Directions Fitness and Dance Desley Donaldson Ballet Academy	3353 0100 3325 0498 3285 7727 3264 1651
HARDWARE Bunnings - Carseldine Steve Jones – Albany Creek Thrifty Link hardware – Brendale	3261 6999 3353 3566 3881 1530
SWIMMING Albany Creek Leisure Centre (Lessons) Albany Creek Swim Club	3264 9903 3264 5267
HAIR DRESSERS Albany Hair Directions En Vogue Hair First Edition Hair Design The Hairologists	3264 4311 3325 5577 3264 3001 3264 4100
PET CARE RSPCA	3886 0357
Boarding Kennels Ace Boarding Kennels – Bald Hills Ran'Dee Boarding Kennels and Cattery – Bracken Ridge Samford Boarding Kennels and Cattery – Samford	3261 1539 3269 4370 3289 1600
DEFENCE TELEPHONE NUMBERS Enoggera Switchboard Victoria Barracks Switchboard Defence Community Organisation (DCO) Education Liaison Officer (EDLO) Defence Families Helpline (24 hours)	07 3332 5111 07 3332 5111 07 3354 0500 07 3354 0554 1800 624 608

TINA'S TOP PICKS FOR KIDS

Dancing - AMMA School of Dance	3353 0100
Soccer - Albany Creek Excelsior Club (ACE)	3264 2885
Gymnastics – Albany Creek Gymnastics Club	3881 1666
Swimming – Albany Creek Leisure Centre	3264 9903
Rugby League – Albany Creek Crushers	3325 1422
Hockey – Pine Rivers Hockey Club	pinesainthockey.com.au
Little Athletics	3371 8253
Netball – Albany Creek Excelsior Club (ACE)	acenetball.com.au
Guides	3252 3061
Scouts	3870 7000
Woods Tennis	3264 2011

Albany Creek State School has no affiliation with any of the above listed services.

Resources

www.ourbrisbane.com.au www.brisbanehinterland.com.au www.sunshinecoast.com.au www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au www.tourismgoldcoast.com.au www.albacreess.eq.edu.au

Useful Websites

- <u>http://brisbanekids.com.au/</u>
- <u>http://new2northside.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.weekendnotes.com/brisbane/</u>
- <u>http://www.education.qld.gov.au</u>
- <u>http://www.defence.gov.au/dco</u> (DCO)
- <u>http://www.citysearch.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au</u>
- <u>http://www.brisbanetourism.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.defence.gov.au/army</u>
- <u>http://www.racq.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.citytrain.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.greatsoutheast.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.tq.com.au</u> (Tourism Queensland)
- <u>http://www.dha.gov.au</u>
- <u>http://www.centro.com.au/CentroAlbany.htm</u>
- <u>http://brisbane.citysearch.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.whereis.com.au</u>
- <u>http://www.transinfo.qld.gov.au</u>
- <u>http://www.centrelink.gov.au</u>
- <u>http://www.hic.gov.au</u> (Medicare)