

# Minister's Visit



Deputy Minister for Education the Honourable Brittany Lauga visited Bundaberg Central State School on Monday, 4th June. She was guided through our school by Principal, Mrs Kym Childs, Chappy Evan, P & C President, Mrs Jensen and the school captains, Talisha and Chelsea. Brittany Lauga was very impressed with our school.

The alterations in each building were on display for her to see. She also met all the staff members and of course, the students. We had a quick parade to welcome her here at Central. Brittany Lauga spoke about this great school we have and said she loved all the new fittings that we have now. She had been visiting a few other schools in Bundaberg and was glad each school in this district was able to design their own work areas for what their needs were. She said it had been great to see first hand all the work that had been completed in the schools before her train trip back to Gladstone.



Science is getting interesting in the 5-6 classroom. Mrs Tree has found some interesting experiments to try. The students had to cut a marshmallow in half and look at it closely. Now you would think this was not interesting, but, we had to answer some questions! “Was it a solid, liquid or gas or a combination! We knew it was a solid, but on looking closely, we discovered that there were some bubbles in the marshmallow! This was obviously caused by gas! Next we chose another marshmallow and placed it in the microwave to see what would happen when we cooked it, but first we had to predict what would happen. We all said that it would melt - go into a liquid. We discovered it bubbled up (we know gas expands) and spread out over the plate. When it cooled it became a solid again. We then ate a small piece when it had cooled down. Yum!



## Sherbet

This experiment was great fun. “How to make Sherbet” . The ingredients we needed were—soft icing sugar, 1 tsp



citric acid and jelly crystals. We mixed all these together. We said this was a powdery solid. We then predicted what would happen next— dissolve in our mouths to a liquid. We each put a small amount onto a teaspoon and placed it onto our tongues. This powder, once it hit our saliva, sort of exploded— a chemical reaction occurred which formed gas bubbles and then went into liquid form as we swallowed it. It was very funny. We each had

a look at another persons tongue. We also said that we could not reverse this chemical change back to a solid! Great, hey!

