

Our Logo is...

Proserpine: Persephone (Latin Proserpine) was, in Greek mythology, the daughter of Zeus and Demeter, the goddess of agriculture, and wife of Hades, king of the underworld.



Persephone was gathering flowers when she was seized by Hades and removed to the underworld. Her mother sought her in vain, sorrowing, and after nine days asked the all-seeing sun-god, Helios, if he knew what had happened. After learning the truth, Demeter ceased, in her misery, to be concerned with the harvest or the fruitfulness of the earth, so that widespread famine ensued. Zeus therefore intervened, commanding Hades to release Persephone to her mother. But Persephone had grown food in the underworld - from a single pomegranate seed - so she could not be completely freed but had to remain one-third of the year with Hades, rising from the underworld to spend the other two-thirds with her mother. This seems to explain the seasons of the year and the bountiful harvest each spring and summer.

The school logo shows Persephone, who is symbolised by a bird, rising from the paddocks of cane. The bird not only symbolises Persephone, it also represents the future and reaching upwards. The bird is a local species called the Wompoo pigeon, which breeds in the Whitsunday area. The bird flies above pathways to success and interlocking futures in the form of sugar cane. The cane leaves represent the local community and diverse pathways to success.

The colours evident in the cane leaves and throughout the logo represent the local communities of Proserpine, Airlie Beach and the surrounding areas. Blue symbolises reef, trust, peace and loyalty; yellow is the sand, sun, mind, intellect, optimism and cheerful disposition; green represents the country side, cane fields, harmony, balance, peace and a new life. The logo is modern, light filled, innovative and representative of opportunities and pathways.

The elements in the logo represent the country and the beach; a coming together to achieve at Proserpine State High School. A home away from home, where all are welcome and supported to succeed. The logo summarises the spirit and direction of Proserpine State High School as a "Community of Achievers". This positioning resonates with everyone from staff to parents to students who take pride in being part of a school that provides a nurturing environment which encourages all types of success – whether it be academic, cultural, sporting or in the trades.

"Success. Together." is a catchy, memorable and meaningful motto that we use to quickly sum up what we are all about. "Success. Together." does this because it first says what we want to achieve – "Success." – Then most importantly, says how we are going to achieve it... "Together."

Our Motto is:

"Success. Together."

Our Tagline is:

"Local Spirit. Universal Success."

A Community of Achievers.....

Proserpine State High School embraces those who want to feel they belong yet be inspired to stand out, we will embrace you and your dreams, by providing a nurturing environment which encourages academic, technical, cultural and sporting success.