

What is Stroogle?

AFTER a successful visit to Central Queensland in 2006, Dr Cameron Stelzer is once again visiting Blackwater between the May 17 and 25 after an invitation and support from Duarlinga Shire Council.

Cameron will work with Blackwater State School classes at the Blackwater Library and visit Blackwater North School as well as schools in Duarlinga, Bluff, Dingo and Bauhinia. "What is a Stroogle" is a popular question asked to Brisbane author and illustrator Dr Cameron Stelzer on his visits to classrooms.

Although the answers can be varied there is always plenty of excitement for the tiny rainbow coloured hero currently starring in his third adventure 'The Stroogle Warms Winter'.

After successes with books 'The Stroogle' in 2004 and 'The Stroogle's New Home' in 2005, this year sees the release of the third publication, which also comes with a bonus read-along CD containing original Stroogle music and narrations of the first three Stroogle books.

In this story, set in a snow covered winter's world of garden gnomes, fairies and a frozen block of cheese, the Stroogle searches for a way to warm his frozen friends.

"When winter's chill is here to stay/ and snow and ice won't go away/ it's only with the warmest heart/ that you can make



STROOGLE FUN: Author and illustrator, Dr Cameron Stelzer is looking forward to his next visit to Blackwater later this month.

the springtime start."

A warm heart is needed to transform the icy winter into the colourful spring, and there

are no prizes for guessing who this is! Cameron travels extensively around Queensland with Stroogle, but has a special con-

nection with Blackwater after marrying Jenny Adlam, daughter of locals Mac and Marion Adlam.