MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL VOL 06.12 26th April, 2012

Dear Parents and Carers

ANZAC Day
On Tuesday our school conducted a small ceremony to commemorate ANZAC Day. Your children were fantastic during this ceremony. Their observance and respect for the occasion was of the highest order.

Talking to Children
From time to time you may feel the need to approach a child other than your own and speak to them. While this in itself may seem to be a simple matter, please remember that to that child you may be a total stranger. Like you, as a parent I encouraged my children not to talk to strangers and to be cautious in the presence of someone who is not known to them. It is not appropriate for an adult to approach a child, who is not their own. Should you have a concern in relation to a child at school kindly bring it to the attention of a teacher or a member of the school’s administration team.

Whooping Cough
Recently there has been a case of whooping cough (pertussis) in a person attending our school. Whooping Cough is a highly infectious illness that is spread by coughing and sneezing. The illness is troublesome and distressing at any age but can be very serious in young infants.

The Logan West Moreton Public Health Unit advises that all parents should check their children’s immunisation records and ensure that their child is up to date with their routine childhood vaccinations. If your younger children have missed any of their routine childhood vaccinations they can still be vaccinated against whooping cough with the childhood vaccine up to their 8th birthday. Adolescents are provided with a free pertussis booster vaccine in Year 10 or at the age of fifteen years from their doctor or local council clinic.

The protection against whooping cough from the vaccine does decrease over time and whooping cough may still occur in older children and adults who were fully immunised in early childhood. Therefore it is important for parents to be aware of the symptoms of whooping cough and to seek medical attention should they be concerned. More information is contained in the Whooping Cough Fact Sheet which is available from the School Office or at the Queensland Health Website.

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Hunt is on for teachers who make reading fun

Reading is the focus of this year’s Department of Education, Training and Employment My Favourite Teacher contest.

Marking the National Year of Reading, students are being encouraged to nominate as 2012’s Favourite Teacher someone who makes reading fun. We have outstanding teachers at Springfield Lakes State School and it would be great for them to be nominated by members of our school community.
To help children overcome their shyness in nominating a favourite, everybody who explains in 25 words or less what they like about their favourite teacher will be in the running to win a family pass to Warner Bros Movie World, Sea World or Wet'n'Wild Water World.

The 2012 favourite teachers won’t miss out either, with each receiving a family pass of their own courtesy of sponsor Village Roadshow Theme Parks.

Nominations close on Friday 11 May and should be submitted on the Education Views nomination form. Parental help is encouraged for younger students.

Winners of My Favourite Teacher will be announced during State Education Week (20-26 May).

Mr Doyle’s Beard
One the last day of school last term Mr Doyle’s beard was removed for only the third time in 30 years. The Student Council have raised over $1600 which will be donated to Childhood Cancer Support. Thank you for your support for this worthy cause. Yes the beard is regrowing.

Absence from School
A review of our absence data for last term shows a pattern with peaks on Mondays and Fridays. That means more children are away on those days, than any other day. Every day counts at school and it is vital that your children attend each and every day, unless they have a valid excuse, to be absent from school. There were three (3) days last term where over 100 children (10%) of children were away from school. As there were no periods of major illness I am left to wonder why we would have such high absence rates. There is a legal obligation for each and every parent to ensure their child comes to school each day. Should your child have a valid excuse to be absent from school it is a requirement that the school be advised of the reason by note, email or telephone call.

Foreign Currency
Banks do not accept foreign coins for banking in Australia. Please be careful when sending money to school or the tuckshop that foreign currency is not included.

Fundraising Meeting
The P&C Association will be holding a fundraising meeting next Thursday 3rd May at 1:00pm. Some suggested ideas are:

- School discos
- Entertainment books
- Spelling
- Trivia Night
- Chocolate drive

If you are unable to attend the meeting but have suggestions or questions you are welcome to make suggestion to slsspcfundraising@hotmail.com

Local Elections
This Saturday voting will be held in the school hall for the Ipswich City Council election. Absent voting for adjoining local government areas e.g. Brisbane City and Logan City is not available. Voting is from 8:00am to 6:00pm.

Looking for P&C News
The school’s Parents and Citizens Association has its own Facebook page http://www.facebook.com/#!/search/results.php?q=springfield%20Lakes%20P%26C&init=quick&tas=0.571735028768752
You are welcome to look at or join this page.

Have you paid your levy?
Each year we ask parents to contribute $75.00 per child to the school. This represents less than $2.00 per week per child. These funds are used to purchase additional resources for classrooms. I urge each parent to pay this contribution so that we may purchase additional resources for our school.

School Uniform
At the school’s P&C meeting this week your association endorsed the school’s uniform. The winter uniform consists of the school uniform, navy shorts, skorts, navy pants (not tracksuit pants), a plain navy jumper or pull over. Navy leggings available from the uniform shop are also acceptable. Hoodies are not acceptable. Our school is a uniform school and it is expected that all children will wear the school uniform.

Prep Excursion – Dreamer in Space
On the first day of this term, all the Prep children attended a puppet show at Ipswich Art Gallery. Not only did the Art Gallery and Puppeteer go out of their way to make sure our children could attend the show, they were also very friendly and accommodating on the day, ensuring all the children were settled, well informed and relaxed about the puppet show.
The story was about a character called Dreamer who receives a message from space. To answer the
message, he must travel through space and while on his journey, visits multiple planets and meets a variety
of different alien creatures. The puppeteer used black-light theatre and the props and puppets were painted
with fluorescent colours so they would glow in the dark. He also incorporated movement and music into the
story to help create suspense, feelings and the sense of space. Not only was it suitable for prep children but
it also catered for a large age range.
The whole day was a great success and the most outstanding part was the children’s fantastic behaviour. All
the teachers were very proud of their children and how well they followed our school expectations while they
were out in the community. We would also like to thank the parent helpers because, without their help, days
like this would not be possible.

My warm regards
Peter Doyle
Principal

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COMING EVENTS

April 27th Central District X-Country
30th Yr 4-7 Assembly 2.15pm - school hall

May 2nd School Banking - Every Wednesday please hand into Tuckshop.
3rd Year 1-3 Assembly 2.00pm – Aussie of the Month & Dove Draw - school hall
4th Year 4-7 Friday Sports commences
7th Labour Day Holiday
10th Prep Assembly 1.45pm -2.15pm – school hall
11th Year 4-7 Friday Sports
18th Ipswich Show Day
22nd P & C Meeting

June 11th Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Holiday
22nd Last day of Term 2

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CURRENT EXCURSIONS/ACTIVITIES

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*N.B. All due dates will be strictly adhered to. Any monies received after the above date will not be
processed. If there are exceptional circumstances, please contact the Business Services Manager.
Payments received by BPay or internet banking after the due date will be refunded back to the
payee.

Payment Times
8:30am to 10:30am daily

Payment Methods
- BPay – details on invoice
- Internet Banking – ensure Student name AND Reference/Item Code are included.
- Phone – credit card only. Call the school on 34379888 daily prior to 10:30am
- EFTPOS – minimum $10.00 transaction
- Credit Card - details on form provided with excursion – minimum $10.00 transaction

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SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR
SWPBS - School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

Below are the expectations being taught to all our students. We ask that parents reinforce these expectations when in our school grounds.

**Week 2 - Transition to and from play**
We are Respectful when we apologise to others if we bump into them.

**Week 3 - Classroom (including specialist lessons)** We are Peaceful when we be aware of our personal space and the personal space of others.

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### ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who achieved well or who have been excellent citizens.

![Assembly Awards Image]

#### Senior Assembly

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### P & C NEWS

**Pauls Collect a Cap** fundraiser is continuing. Please take your Pauls Milk caps to the tuckshop, as Pauls donates 10c for every cap to the school. This includes any Pauls product, including their new GOOD TO GO Smoothie range.

The **Entertainment Books** have now been handed out to all the students. For the price of $65 these books have $15000 worth of savings on many top restaurants, hotels and entertainment venues for all the family, so please have a flick through them as they are very good value.

The **Mothers Day** stall will be held on the 10th and 11th of May, more information will be provided closer to the time. Gifts have been organised with a large range of $3.00 - $5.00 available to purchase.

Through the school you can set up a **Commonwealth Bank Account** for your child and deposit money into it regularly. This encourages children to save. Heather Burnett will be sitting at the uniform shop on Wednesday morning from 8.30 to 9.00am for anyone who wants to set up an account or give her their bank book so she can stamp it there. Then they can take the book with them with the feeling of having visited the bank.

**Volunteers** are always needed and, with the need to do fundraising for items like air-conditioners, books, equipment and resources, the P&C would like to ask for your assistance. There will be a fund-raising meeting held on the 3rd of May at 1pm so if you would like to come or if you can't make it but would like to help out in any way please contact the P&C on sspscvolunteers@hotmail.com or Jai on 0447799374. We welcome new ideas and input.

Please help us to help your child by helping our school and get involved.

Kind Regards

_Ursula Pitt_

_Secretary_
Regional AFL Trials
Tristan Jackson showed amazing talent last week when he represented our Central District at the Metropolitan West Regional AFL Trials. He was selected in the Met West AFL team and will be competing at the State Titles later in the year. A fantastic effort! Well done.

District Soccer Trials
The Central District trials were held last week for both the boys and girls. Congratulations to Jake and Megan Jennings, Holly McQueen, Autumn Mills and Lena Reilly. These students were selected in the Central District Team and will be competing in the Met West Regional Carnival.

X-Country & Walkathon Fundraiser
I would like to thank once again all those people in our community that supported our P&C fundraiser this term. We raised a total of $10,657 for our school. I would also like to congratulate Alexis Romeo in 1W who was the highest fundraising student, raising $566 and 4R who were the highest fundraising class, raising $1159.10. We also had a draw prize for a Family Pass to stay at Seaworld Nara Resort. Our winner was Cohan O’Leary in 2DM. Well done everyone and thanks again for your support.

Years 4-7 X-Country and District X-Country
Our Years 4-7 X-Country was held in the last week of Term 1. Congratulations to Jones House for being the overall winning house. The results below show the top 6 competitors in each age group. These competitors (except the 9 year olds) will now be representing our school at the Central District X-Country on Friday 27th April. Congratulations!

Cross Country Finalists

**9yrs Boys**

1st Jacob Anderson  
2nd Tryztan-Ki Cunningham  
3rd Dustyn Harrold  
4th Tye Weston  
5th Manaia Haerewa  
6th Ryan Ramos

**9yrs Girls**

1st Natasha Nyikole  
2nd Kisch Chadwick  
3rd Hannah Sparks  
4th Tay-Lah McMillan  
5th Katie Valentine  
6th Rebecca Bailey

**10yrs Boys**

1st Jordan Dwyer  
2nd Kai Hallett  
3rd Alexander Bremner  
4th Edward Reilly  
5th Bailey Phister  
6th Nicholas Bremner

**10yrs Girls**

1st Chloe Ackland  
2nd Gemma Lawrence  
3rd Mia Gambarini  
4th Holly McQueen  
5th Jo Dee Douangchais  
6th Ariana Vincent and Aprel Gilby

**11yrs Boys**

1st Jacob Ackland  
2nd Sean Ryan  
3rd Todd Anderson  
4th Jackson Kennedy  
5th Brendan David  
6th William Webb-Wagg

**11yrs Girls**

1st Georgia Brown
THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

OFFICE HOURS

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STUDENT ABSENCE LINE

Parents are requested to call the Student Absence Line on 3437 9860 to advise the school if your child/ren will be absent.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Remind parents to ensure that all contact details are up to date. We have had a number of incidents of late where we have needed to contact parents due to accident or illness. If the phone numbers that we have on file are incorrect or have been disconnected.

MOBILE PHONES

Bringing mobile phones to school is not encouraged by the school because of the potential for general distraction and/or disruption associated with them. However, we understand that on occasions parents require their children to have a mobile phone. This is to be logged
into the office on arrival at school, with the mobile phone register being signed. Children collect their phones and sign them out in the afternoon.

PEANUT AND OTHER NUT ALLERGIES

Parents are requested not to provide lunches or snacks containing nut products for children attending Springfield Lakes State School. This is to protect the significant number of students who have anaphylactic allergies to even traces of peanuts and other nuts. Some of these students are so allergic that even a minute amount of peanut butter or Nutella could cause an anaphylactic reaction. Please do not send Nutella, peanut butter sandwiches or other snack products to school that could put other students at risk. Thank you for helping us keep all of our students safe.

When packing lunches for our children please keep in mind convenience is not always the best solution. Small cans of spaghetti or fruit with the pull ring lids are a very convenient solution for a meal but have also caused nasty accidents for little fingers. Please be mindful of this and perhaps take the time to open and pour the contents into a small plastic container.

UNIFORM SHOP

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES  TERM 2 - 2012

MONDAY 8.15am – 11.15am
THURSDAY 2.15pm – 3.15pm
CLOSED TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY

Payment and Collections Options:

By person: At uniform shop when opening times apply; pay by cash, credit or debit cards and cheque.

By telephone: Call 3437 9888 (request uniform shop) during uniform shop opening hours. Payment options include credit card or debit card only NO CASH. Your order will be processed the next available uniform shop working day and delivered to your child’s class.

By fax:   34379800 Order forms can be collected via office, school website or uniform shop. Payment options include credit or debit cards only, NO CASH. Your order will be processed the next available uniform shop working day and delivered to your child’s class; uncompleted credit or debit card details will result in non-delivery of uniform.

By Administration Office: Complete order forms are to be handed in to administration office. Payment options include credit or debit card only, NO CASH. Your order will be processed the next available uniform shop working day and delivered to your child’s class; uncompleted credit or debit card details will result in non-delivery of uniform.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

A big THANK YOU to all of our dedicated staff and volunteers who help at the tuckshop - Melanie Radhika Heather Krystyna Ronelle and Raji.

REMINDER - please check that all money paid into the tuckshop is Australian currency. Some foreign currency has recently been paid to the tuckshop but can not be banked or re-used.

From Sandra and Lauren

A reminder to parents that online tuckshop ordering is available. You may want to see Sandra or, for parents wanting to know the online procedures, they are as follows:-
Log onto www.springfieldlakess.eq.edu.au

Step 1. Click on “Parents”
Step 2. Click image of boy
Step 3. Click on “new user” – “register here”
Step 4. Follow further steps and check the terms and conditions box.

DEFENCE NEWS

DEFENCE NEWS....

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!!
I hope you all had a wonderful break catching up with friends and family whilst enjoying a chocolate or two or three!

Defence Morning Tea:
Wednesday 16th May 12 from 9 – 10:30am in the staff room.
SEE YOU THERE!!

IS YOUR PARTNER DEPLOYED OR AWAY?
Please let me know if your spouse or partner is away, so I can spend some time with your child. The SLSS Deployment Dogs are eagerly waiting their next mission, so if you are going away, please let me know so you can take one. Also, feel free to pop in for a cuppa and chat anytime!

Don’t forget to make the DCO and DSTA part of your support network! DEFENCE FAMILY HELPLINE: 1800 624 608

DEFENCE KIDS CLUB: TOYS AND GAMES: If anyone has any toys or quick playing games that they no longer want, please consider donating to the DEFENCE KIDS CLUB! THANK YOU!!

Cheers,
Gina Barrett
DSTA

Springfield Lakes State School
Ph: 07 3437 9888
gbarr47@eq.edu.au

FROM NURSE ERICA

Drop In Clinic
Therapy and Support Services for Children (TASSC) now offers free Drop- In clinics at Ipswich and Goodna. An Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist and Speech Pathologist are available to families who have questions related to their child’s development. The following table lists clinic times and locations.
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No appointment or referral is necessary and families will be seen in order of arrival. There are times when the clinic can get very busy and therefore your patience when waiting for a therapist would be greatly appreciated.

Families who attend will receive a brief screening assessment to determine the need for a referral to TASSC for further assessment and treatment. The attending therapist may provide advice and suggest activities for parents to help their child if any problems are identified, and reassure parents in the instance that the child is developing within normal limits.

TASSC Drop-In Clinics do not replace services provided by TASSC when the need for a full assessment is clear. Children requiring a full assessment should still be referred directly to TASSC. Please note TASSC are unable to provide Speech Pathology therapy services for children who attend school (prep and above).

However, we still welcome these children at drop in where we can provide developmental information and strategies for home and can also direct parents onto appropriate services for school aged children.

Regards

Erica
Clinical Nurse

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**YMCA Springfield Lakes OSHC**

P: 07 3818 3741  
F: 07 3288 3162  
M: 0437 823 073  
asf@ymca.org.au

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE COORDINATOR:**

Please note the following public holidays the Centre will be closed.

- Monday 7th May – Labour Day
- Friday 18th May - Ipswich Show Day

**After School Care Activities:**

- We have arranged for two local sporting groups to come & teach the children the skills required to play Indoor Soccer on Mondays & Hockey on Thursdays.
- Also we have started doing Science Projects with the grades four to seven, the children are really enjoying this new venture, We call it Messy Fun.
- SPANISH LESSONS: We are offering Spanish lessons on Tuesday afternoons the cost is $10.00, We need a few more children to make it viable. Children need to be enrolled in the service to attend. Talk to Karen or Lina for more information.

**BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE VACANCIES:**

We have plenty of places for BSC & ASC- You can enrol your child as casual & if you are running late to collect them from school why not book them in; we provide afternoon tea & you will know that they are safe.
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program is being revived at Springfield Lakes State School.

From next term, banking will take place on Wednesday, in the Uniform Shop.

Just like a real bank, children will bring their bank books to school on a Wednesday morning. They will hand them directly to your new School Banking Coordinator, Heather Burnett. Mrs Burnett will stamp their books and hand them straight back to the children.

The School Banking program includes an exciting Rewards Program designed to encourage children to get into the habit of making regular saving. Every time your child makes a deposit at school they receive a silver coloured Dollarmites token. The first token will be received upon the first deposit at school. Once your child has individually saved 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive Dollarmites reward item. Students will have lots of fun saving their tokens for these cool rewards items.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. The school receives $5 when children make their first deposit at school and a commission on every deposit made through the School Banking program.

**Taking part in School Banking is easy.**

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week using their Dollarmites deposit wallet. If your child has misplaced their Dollarmites deposit book or deposit wallet, they can request a new one from either the local branch or contact the School Banking Co-ordinator.

**On Wednesday May 2nd from 2:15pm and Wednesday May 9th from 8:15am,** Commonwealth Bank Staff will be available to help complete the application form required to open a Youthsaver account for your child so they can participate in the School Banking program. Please ensure you bring along photo identification such as a valid driver’s licence or passport for yourself. No identification is required for your child as the school will confirm their identity. Siblings are welcome to participate, however you will need to bring along their birth certificate.

If you can’t make it to school at these times, you can visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank Branch with both your child’s identification and your own. If you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer with access to NetBank you can apply for your child’s Youthsaver account online. Simply log into NetBank, click the “Offers and apply” tab, then select “Accounts” and “Youthsaver”.

*Independently recognised as Australia’s No.1 for Youth Banking and Education*” – Cannex Canstar

**The Ipswich Table Tennis Association would like to invite all juniors to come and try table tennis Wednesday night from 7:00pm. Table Tennis is a sport for life and this is a great opportunity to get involved and have fun.**

ITTA play at the Riverview Community Centre at 138 Old Ipswich Rd, Riverview. The club has many options available for table hire, fixtures, social games, handicap competitions and coaching.
The club is a not-for-profit organisation and is open to membership for all ages. Come along for a great social atmosphere and experience the exciting sport of Table Tennis. Please contact David on 3282 4708 or email ipswich@tabletennisqld.org for more information.

Kind Regards
Jason Walsh
Regional Club Coordinator
Table Tennis Queensland
Office 2.06 Sports House
150 Caxton Street
Milton QLD 4064
Ph: 07 3217 5579
Fax: 07 3217 5648
E: rcc@tabletennisqld.org
W: www.tabletennisqld.org
KIDS HIP HOP DANCE

Junior Beginners Kids Class
(Ages 4 to 7 years old)
TUESDAY 4:30pm – 5:10pm $5

Seniors Kids Class
(Ages 8 to 13 years old)
TUESDAY 5:30pm - 6:30pm $5

Classes run during School Term Only! — Holiday Workshops may apply!

ADULT & TEEN HIP HOP DANCERS WANTED...
Beginners & Experienced!!!
Interested?? Contact JAZ Now!!

ADDRESS: 37 Swallow Street, Inala, Inala PCYC - Phone: 3372 2222
Dance Instructor: JAZ - Instructor Mobile: 0433 386 821
Email: inalapycdance@gmail.com
Facebook Name: Inala PCYC Hip Hop-Dance