Dear Parents and Carers

Premier’s Reading
In order to promote reading across Queensland the premier’s reading challenge is held each year. Our school will registering again this year. One of my goals is to improve the reading performance across our school. Participation in this program is but one strategy we use to reach this goal. More information will be forthcoming soon. Please support the children and teachers in this activity by either reading to your children each and every night and/or listen to your children read to you each evening.

Attendance at School
How many days did your child attend school last term? Our goal for each and every child is to attend school for 95% of the time or higher each year. To reach this goal children must attend 190 of the 200 school days. This attendance needs to be for whole days and not part days. This is equivalent to an absence of 2.5 days a term.

Queensland state schooling data, including our school data, indicates that:
• Children have attended school at different rates
• Strong links have been established between attendance in one year and student achievement in the same year and in the future
• Every extra day attended increases a child’s likelihood of achieving at a higher level and reaching higher post schooling outcomes
• Past attendance is the best predictor of future attendance particularly after the student enters secondary schooling
• Early establishment of good attendance behaviour is likely to have lasting benefits for children on average. Indigenous children are less likely to attend school than their non-Indigenous peers
• Conversely, we can use attendance information to predict children who may be at risk of falling behind
  * Primary schools: Year 1 children who attended less than 85% of the time were more likely to repeat this attendance pattern at year 2 and year 3 and more likely to perform poorly on their Year 3 NAPLAN tests
• Mondays and Fridays and days adjacent to public holidays are more likely to be absent by children. (We average 10% absence on those days.)
• Children not present in school are more likely to miss critical learning building blocks and are, as a result, less likely to feel a sense of mastery over the curriculum and their own learning
• The recommended attendance range is between 95 and 100% attendance rate. Over a
12 year period a student who attends 92% of the time will have lost almost 1 year of school contact.

In the table below you can see that no year level at our school reached the 95% minimum target last term.

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I appreciate there are many justifiable reasons why children can be away from school. Reasons which are not justified include:

- Ill brother or sister
- A birthday celebration
- Collecting a relative from the airport
- Shopping or attending the pictures, a theme park, etc

Parents, please be aware that your legal requirements are that:

- You must ensure your children attend school each and every day, for the whole day unless there is a justified reason.
- You must advise the school (office or teacher) of the reason for their absence.

Please ensure that your children maximise their learning time by being at school. We love having them here.
School Photos
Master School Portraits (MSP) is again doing school photos. Photos will be taken on 8th and 9th May. Order forms will be coming home shortly.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 8 April and Sunday 9 June 2013. We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school.

For every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. Pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it’s completed, just bring it back to school or drop it into the Collection Box at your local Woolies. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. In 2012 we earned over 66 500 points. This year we have set our target at 70 000 points. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we’d like to get lots of new gear! Products in the range include resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.

Bouquets for Our Children
As principal I was absolutely delighted with the participation and engagement of our school at our ANZAC Day service. Mums and Dads your children are a credit to you.

District Cross Country
I have just returned from the District Cross Country trials at Woodcrest State College. The boys and girls who participated gave their total effort. We have some 10 children who came in the top 10 places. Well done to Natasha who came 2nd in her final race. Thank-you boys and girls for your effort, for being great sports and your outstanding behaviour.

Talking to another Person’s child.
From time to time in a community of over 1060 people there can arise issues which will cause you the parent concern. Should this occur the people to speak to are the child’s teacher one of the deputy principals or myself. Under no circumstances should a parent approach another person’s child and chastise them. It is not frightening to the child concerned but is a breach of the Education and General purposes Act.

Parenting: the Love and Logic Way
A seminar held over three evenings in the community centre 7,14 & 21 May. Contact www.creatingchoices.com.au for further information.

Kindest Regards

Peter Doyle
Principal
FREE - "HOW TO ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD’S READING" WORKSHOP

Education starts at home and parents and families are their children’s first teachers. With this in mind, the free Parent Ready Readers training program provides parents and carers of children in Prep to Year 3 with some key strategies to use at home to support their child’s reading and to develop a love of books prior to developing their reading abilities.

The training runs for approximately 90 minutes and consists of four modules:

- What is literacy?
- Understanding the reading process
- Stages of reading
- Listening to your child read and reading to your child

Participants receive a Parent Ready Readers booklet with training notes, reading activities and additional resources, which will help to build a lifelong love of reading.

**Session times for 2013 - you may attend any venue that is convenient to you.**

- **Monday 29 April 2013** 9.30 – 11.00am  
  Albany Creek State School – Albany Creek
- **Tuesday 18 June 2013** 9.30am – 11.00am  
  Belmont State School – Belmont
- **Friday 19 July 2013** 9.30 – 11.00am  
  West End State School – West End
- **Thursday 8 August 2013** 9.30 – 11.00am  
  Newmarket State School – Newmarket
- **Wednesday 16 October 2013** 9.30 – 11.00am  
  Warrigal Road State School – Eight Mile Plains

Come along and find out how you can help your child enjoy reading!

Children are welcome to attend with their Parents/Caregivers.

To reserve a place please email shariene.emanuel@dete.qld.gov.au
ANZAC DAY

Tuesday 23rd April, the School Student Leaders participated in the Brisbane ANZAC Commemoration Ceremony for Students at ANZAC Square. School Captain Georgia Brown and School Vice Captains Salini Kaluarachchi and Harsha Bodla laid a wreath at the Shrine of Remembrance on behalf of our school. We were accompanied by Mrs Kim Roberts, our Defence Force Transition Aide. The children also spent time speaking with service dignitaries and visiting the War Memorial leading from the tunnel of ANZAC Square.

On Wednesday 24th April the School Commemorated ANZAC Day with a formal service with Invited Guests and School Leaders. The Junior Choir beautifully performed –"Two Little Boys". I’d like to thank Mr Bill Krause, Lieutenant Commander, RAN (Rtd), Mr Steve Axe who represented Mrs Jo Ann Miller MLA, Pastor Phil Cutcliffe, Miss Dorothy our School Captains, School Leaders and our Junior Choir. Thank you for being involved in helping our school children to recognise the importance of remembering our ANZACs. A BIG THANK YOU to Mrs Alexis Hay for organising a successful commemoration ceremony for our students.
On Thursday 25th April our School Captains, Georgia and Todd, and School Vice Captains Salini and Harsha again proudly represented our school in the Springfield Lakes Community Dawn service at Robelle. The student leaders read a Poem titled, 'Sir’ by Damian Morgan and laid a wreath.

Thank you to the school leaders who represented our school in a dignified manner. We were all so proud.

Kindest Regards
Deputy Principal
Gwendolyn Irvine

Reporting
Report cards will be distributed in the last week of this term. Please advise your child’s class teacher if you require a second copy due exceptional family circumstances.

Under 8’s Day
Under 8’s week is celebrated the week beginning May 20. Our children from Prep to Year Two will celebrate this day Friday, May 24. Keep an eye out for further details from your child’s class teacher.

Fire Education
The annual Fire Safety Education program for Year One will be run by the local Camira Fire Fighters Wednesday May 22 from 9.15am. This is a free program.

Prep Assembly
Thursday May, 9.1.45pm in the Hall. All welcome.
Junior Assembly
Thursday May 2, 2.00pm in the Hall. All Welcome.

Kindest Regards
Deputy Principal
Trish Hollands

COMING EVENTS

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* N.B. All due dates will be strictly adhered to. Any monies received after 10.30am on the above dates will not be processed. If there are exceptional circumstances, please contact the Principal. Payments received by BPayer 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

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 - Year Level Focus

**Prep – Peaceful** – We are peaceful in the playground and classroom

**Year One – Cooperative** – Follow lining up procedures after play time is finished.

**Year Two – Cooperative** – We are cooperative when we are engaged in our learning as part of an active team class.

**Year Three – Peaceful** – Use Stop, Walk, Talk to solve playground problems

**Year Four – Peaceful** – I interrupt politely.

**Year Five – Cooperative** - We are cooperative when we follow directions from any staff member immediately.

**Year Six – Cooperative** – Move directly to line up area at first bell. Be ready for second bell.

**Year Seven – Respectful** – We are respectful when we are making appropriate choices in the classroom and in the playground.

Week 3 – Whole School Focus – Playground

*Cooperative* – Play allowed games in correct areas/ Stay in correct play areas.
FROM 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.

STUDENT PERSONAL DETAILS

We are reminding 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 and the phone numbers that we have on file are incorrect or have been disconnected.

MESSAGES TO STUDENTS

We are receiving an increasing number of messages to pass on to students in relation to end of day arrangements/pickup. It becomes extremely difficult to pass these messages on to students when we receive calls from parents minutes before the bell. We ask families to please make arrangements before leaving in the morning.
MOBILE PHONES

Bringing mobile phones to school is not encouraged by the school because of the potential for theft and 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.

The 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.
MR DOYLE LIKES DOGS

While Mr Doyle likes dogs not all dogs like each other.

Please do not bring your dog to school as some dogs bite and some dogs like to fight.

UNIFORM SHOP

Jackets, boys cargo pants and girls tights are now in stock just in time for winter.....

SCHOOL BANKING IS EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING IN THE UNIFORM SHOP 8.15AM - 9.15AM.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES TERM 2- 2013

MONDAY 8.15am – 9.45am
WEDNESDAY 8.15am - 9.45am
THURSDAY 2.00pm – 3.00pm
CLOSED TUESDAY and FRIDAY

Click here for the NEW uniform shop Order Form.

Payment and Collections Options:

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

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

A reminder to parents that online tuckshop ordering is available. You may want to see Sandra or, for parents wanting to know the on-line procedures, they are as follows:-

Log onto www.springfieldlakesss.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 & conditions box.

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**IPSWICH EISTEDDFOD NEWS**

**Eisteddfod – Items Needed**

Thank you to all the parents that supported the eisteddfod during the holidays by sending your children to rehearsals. The children had a great time and we managed to get most of the dance finalised. Rehearsals for the Junior Eisteddfod are now on Monday afternoons from 3 to 4pm. Seniors are currently at Friday lunch times but that may change. We are in the process of organising costumes and props and would like some help in getting a few items. We are in need of a piece of foam about a metre by a metre and approx. and inch or two thick. This is to make a huge steak so if it is a bit rough that is fine. We need foam pieces to make some ribs (as seen on the Flintstones) and a club, although a Nerf baseball bat might suit too. We also need to make 2 fake rocks to act as seats so are looking at getting 2 Feet Seat type of cushions/pouffes. The colour doesn’t matter as it will be covered. Of course if anyone has any other suggestion on these items that would be great.

Kind Regards
Wendy Coates
A/Teacher Librarian
SPRINGFIELD LAKES PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

The Springfield Lakes Photography Club has been established for just over a year now. We have recently changed our meeting venue to the Community Hall and would welcome new members. We already have a few parents and a staff member in the club so if you are interested in photography, even as a beginner, then think about coming along to our next meeting and seeing if it is right for you. Our aim is to keep it a social gathering and share ideas and techniques so we can all improve our photography skills. We also meet for weekend photo shoots based on member suggestions. We also have a Facebook Page so check out the link below.

http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/360923477314372/

Our next meeting is on Monday May 6th at 7pm in the Community Hall. If you have any further questions, feel free to contact Wendy Coates in the Library.

Kind Regards
Wendy Coates
A/Teacher Librarian

COMMUNITY NOTICES

YMCA SPRINGFIELD LAKES OSHC
BEFORE, AFTER & VACATION CARE.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE COORDINATOR.

We will be CLOSED Friday 17th May for the Ipswich Show Day.

The children have settled back into the ASC routine after the holidays. Our program this week revolves around the theme of ANZACS – the children are doing lots of craft and cooking that will teach them the importance of remembering our fallen heros.

Active After School Community - Activities for this term are Golf on Tuesdays and Soccer on Thursday classes run for seven weeks. Children learn the basic skills to help build their confidence. They then have the opportunity to join a local sporting organisation where they can build on those skills.

VACANCIES.
Our licenced capacity is 150 children for Before School Care & After School Care. We still have plenty of places available. Please contact us if you require care. You can book in on a permanent or casual basis. Also we can offer care to parents who work on a roster system.

YMCA is a not for profit organisation.

YMCA Springfield Lakes OSHC

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M: 0437 823 073
asf@ymca.org.au
Bahá’í Education in State Schools: 
Information for Parents

Bahá’í spiritual education classes are being offered at Springfield Lakes State School for 2013. The emphasis of these classes is on learning to think, reflect, and apply spiritual principles to the life of the individual and society. They are based on a strong belief in the nobility of all human beings and that every child is a “mine rich in gems of inestimable value”. These “gems” are spiritual qualities or virtues such as unity, kindliness, love, justice, truthfulness, and service. These qualities are explored in the class through the memorization of a quote (e.g. “In the garden of thy heart plant naught but the rose of love…”), the students then participate in a range of activities (prayer, song, story, drama, cooperative games, and art) that assist them in their understanding and application of the spiritual quality.

While inspired by the principles and ideals of the Bahá’í faith, Bahá’í education classes are not classes of religious indoctrination. The moral principles they seek to impart are applicable to people of all faiths, and the personal beliefs of the children and their families will be respected at all times. Parents are welcome to be present during the classes.

Teacher of Bahá’í RE classes:
David Anvari
Ph: 0413 838 881 for more information;
Email: davidanvari@gmail.com

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Spain will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship.

Thanks and kind regards,
Robert Lindsay
Inbound Program Manager

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HOST FAMILIES NEEDED IN JUNE/JULY
EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE IN 2013
IMPROVE YOUR LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HOME
In June-July 2013 Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd will be receiving exchange students from Europe, Canada, the USA, and Latin America. We are looking for volunteer host families to welcome these students into their homes for between 2-10 months. Host families come in all shapes and sizes, backgrounds and ages. To this end, we would again be grateful if you would place a notice in your newsletter/bulletin or mention it on your website. You can download the newsletter notice here in Word format, as a JPG or in PDF format. Please note that all our host families are interviewed in their homes and carefully checked for suitability.

Our students bring with them their own spending money, health insurance and a wonderful attitude and desire to learn about their new host country. The whole family....and relatives and friends....will grow and learn as they all get to know their new ‘son’ or ‘daughter’ from another land.

All students have at least basic levels of English, would attend a school in your local area and live the life of a local. Our group of students cover a wide variety of interests and hobbies. If you would like to provide your students, parents or language/music teachers with further information on our inbound students you can also download some student profiles in PDF Format. This is just a small sample of all the students who will be arriving. Our staff members will be happy to discuss which student might be best suited to a family.

Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on a bit of our own culture. They might even make a friend for life!

“Our family hosted Paula from Germany this year and it was the most wonderful experience. How did hosting impact our family? The positive impact having Paula stay with us for five months was incredible. We spent more time together as a family and got to see our local area through new eyes. Most importantly though, Paula was a fantastic role model for our younger children. Thank you Paula!” Robert, Host Dad

“Becoming a Host family for an international student has been much more than we expected. We thought it would be great for our kids to learn a little about another language and maybe something about another country. Instead, we gained another family member and some great new friends, her parents from Germany. We get to show off our country and learn so much about hers. What a fantastic experience for all of us.” Melissa, Host Mum

“Being the youngest and the only one left at home I was looking forward to having another teenager in the house. While Charlotte helps me with my French I help her with her English lessons and I have taught her many Aussie words and sayings. We both love to shop and shop and shop...” Grace, Host Sister

“It’s been a fantastic experience so far...It’s been great having an older brother for our young kids. Simon has been a fantastic role model...Simon helps around the house a lot. One of the first things he said to us during the first couple of days he was here was what should my chores be? I was delighted to hear him say that.” Victoria, Host Mum

Click here to watch a video of the Stuart Family talking about their hosting experience.

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit secondary exchange organisation which is registered with education & regulatory authorities in each State and Territory. You can find out more about our organisation by visiting www.studentexchange.org.au.

If Springfield Lakes State School families have any questions about hosting an exchange student or would like to view profiles of students arriving from other countries, they can respond to this email, call our office on 1300 135 331 or visit our website. Our staff members will be happy to discuss which student might be best suited to their family. No obligation.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,
Hi all! We are in desperate need of Under 10, 11 & 12 players for our Greater Springfield Storm Junior AFL team.

Registrations are still open so if you have a child who would like to play please contact Debbie on 0439 890 646 or come along to training and have a try.

We train at the Springfield Lakes State School Oval on Wednesdays 5.30pm - 6.30pm & Fridays 4.30pm - 5.30pm.

Hope to see you there!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK:
www.facebook.com/springfieldlakesafc
BRISBANE SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Have you every wanted your child to learn to play a sport, well we want to teach them softball skills.

We are seeking participants (boys & girls) for a great new initiative we are running during winter. The Clinic's will be run over five weeks starting on 11th May 2013 at O'Callaghan Park, Zillmere.

The focus of the clinic is “participation and fun” for our junior players whilst also developing their softball skills.

The clinic is open for boys and girls between 10 and 15 years of age.

The cost of participation is $49 and includes access to equipment, specialist coaches, Brisbane Softball Association game shirt, insurance and registration.

Softball is such a great game for both boys and girls. We hope to attract existing and new players alike to help promote youth participation in our great sport!

If you would like to sign-up please contact our clinic co-ordinator Nicky McCulloch on 0411 394 535. There will also be an official sign-on day at O'Callaghan Park, Zillmere on the 27th April from 1pm.
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