MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

School Student Leaders’ Meeting
On the 19th of March, our Student Captains and Vice Captains, along with the student leaders from the neighbouring schools, met with Cr David Morris and Cr Sheila Ireland at the Orion Community Room. The Students were involved in conversations about the future developments in the Greater Springfield area. They talked briefly about the responsibilities of different levels of government. The students were able to put forward their thoughts on what services and resources that council could consider providing for the youth of the area.

Tess Van Bennekom, Chaplain at Woodcrest State College engaged the students in activities and discussion about their new roles in leadership. The students then went on a walking tour to view the new development at Robelle Domain. This tour concluded at the Springfield Tower, where the group met with Mr Naren Sinnathamby. Mr Sinnathamby spoke to the group about how the Springfield Development was progressing from vision to reality.

The day was an extremely engaging time for our new school leaders. I was proud of their confidence and participation. Our school is well represented by our young leaders. Congratulations to Anthony, Mykah, Cameron, Zoe, Adam, Kuini, Jacob and Sri.

Adopt-a-Cop
On Monday’s senior parade the Students of Springfield Lakes officially Adopted - a - Cop, two actually. We were very lucky to have both Constable Lisa Kugelman and Constable Daniel Swanson present at our special parade. We welcome them into our Springfield Lake School community.
School Attendance Improves

I am delighted to report that our school attendance has improved in comparison to this time last year. This term our attendance rate has been 94.6% compared to 93.1% in term 1 of 2013. All year levels have improved compared to the attendance rate in 2013. All year levels have an attendance rate above 93% which is excellent.

Special congratulations to Year 6 with an attendance rate of 95.4%.

Make every day count.

Ditch the Bunny and Support the Bilby

I recently heard that Australians will spend tens of millions of dollars on chocolate this Easter. Yes that is millions and most of it on bunnies and rabbits. Rabbits were introduced to Australia and are a feral pest which damages our environment. There is a group in Western Queensland which has established some reserves to enable the Bilby, a highly endangered species to breed and survive. They have an arrangement with Pink Lady chocolates where 30 cents from every chocolate bilby sold will be donated by Pink Lady chocolates to support this worthy cause. Chocolate Bibles can be purchased from Big W, David Jones, Myer, some Australia Post outlets and speciality chocolate stores. If chocolate is an important part of your Easter celebrations, please consider helping an Australian cause.

Head Lice

It is not unusual for children, especially young children to encounter head lice. The eradication of head lice is every one’s business. It is important that you check your child’s head on a regular basis. Should you find any eggs or lice it is important that you follow through with the whole treatment, as you would with an antibiotic treatment.

Registrations now open for Brisbane’s first ANZAC Run

Brisbane’s first Anzac Run will be held on Sunday 27 April 2014 to commemorate the Australian and New Zealand servicemen and women who served the nation and those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Students taking part are encouraged to wear their school sports uniform. Register online before 23 April 2014.

Kindest Regards

Peter Doyle
Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS

Year 2 Excursion Term 2 May 7 (2F, 2D, 2E and 2B) and 14th May (2G, 2C and 2A)

A letter will be sent home to parents next week.

Our Year Two children will be taking part in an excursion to The Workshop Rail Museum in Ipswich to support our History units this year. We will be using the Southern Cross Transit bus company and the children will travel there and back on buses fitted with seat belts. We will depart from school at 9.30am and will leave The Workshop Rail Museum at 1.30pm. Children will need to arrive at school at the normal time and go straight to their class. They will be dismissed from their classroom at the end of the school day.

Kindest Regards

Alexis Hay
Deputy Principal
Japanese Origami Project

Konnichiwa! (means hello in Japanese)

Yr6 and Yr7 students are learning Origami and Japanese traditional toys and game in LOTE Japanese lesson. Now the students are training to become ORIGAMI Master! We planned “Origami Project”. We love to teach and share what we have done in our Japanese lessons with little friends in Springfield Lakes state school.

We visited prep, Yr1 and Yr2 classes on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th March and had fun together. Little boys and girls were making ninja star, dog, cat, elephant, puppet etc with Origami papers with Yr6 and Yr7 big brothers and sisters. They also experienced playing wooden spinning tops (origin of bey-blade), Kendama (Japanese cup-in-ball type of toy) and Pokemon Lucky Laugh game.

Yr6s and 7s became a teacher of them, explaining what they do, demonstrating how they do the activity and helping them when boys and girls don’t know what to do.

We all had a great time and it was so great to see how Yr6s and Yr7s were caring for little ones whilst all having fun. We will hopefully do something together again in future Japanese lessons.

We would like to thank all the teachers who supported the program by allowing the children to participate in the program.

Arigato (means thank you in Japanese).

Kindest Regards

Mari Kurita (Butlin)
LOTE Japanese Teacher

THANK YOU FROM KIM ROBERTS OUR DEFENCE AIDE

I would like to say a very big thank you to two very kind mums in our school community.

The Wormleaton family had an incident walking to school where Brody fell off his scooter and broke his leg very badly. They are a defence family and had only been here a couple of weeks. Mum called the ambulance as she was unable to contact her husband. She also had her three year old son Eli with her. Laura Jones came and waited with her and took the scooter home in her car. Kalee Benham offered to take Eli so mum was able to ride in the ambulance with Brody to the hospital. These families had never met before.

This highlights some of issues that face our defence families when they are new to an area with no family support. This also highlights what a wonderful school community we have.

Thank you Laura and Kalee your kindness is appreciated.

Kindest Regards

Kim Roberts
Defence Transition Aide
WORK PLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY NEWS

PARKING

Ipswich City Council have periodically issued expensive parking fines to those parents who park illegally when picking up or dropping off students at the school. While parking spaces at the school are limited, parking illegally puts you at risk of receiving these fines.

Parents are advised that there are only two parking spaces outside the hall but more parking is available on Springfield Lakes Blvd and adjacent streets.

Families, whose children access after school care or after school activities must park appropriately. Parking on the footpath, median strip or in front of the double gates at the bottom of the school near the hall blocks access to and from the school and puts lives at risk. Our children are precious, please make safe choices.

SAFE PRACTICES AT SCHOOL

As I walk around the school it is very concerning to see the large number of parents using the Port Racks for seating. The racks are made out of MDF and are designed to have a limited weight bearing capacity so if any weight exceeds this limit personal injury may result.

I appreciate that you are keen to see your children at school. However 25 parents gathered outside a classroom can be noisy and disruptive for the class. I ask all parents waiting for children to access the seating available in the respective year level undercover areas.

ANAPHYLAXIS

Anaphylaxis, or Anaphylactic shock, is the most serious allergic reaction and can cause death without prompt medical attention. An allergen is a substance which can cause an allergic reaction and the most common allergen or ‘trigger’ is food.

At Springfield Lakes State School, triggers for some of our students are ‘eggs, dairy and nuts.’ While most of our students are aware of their condition and are able to follow their management plans, some of our little one’s are still learning what the tingling lips and tongue or the swollen areas of their body and restricted breathing mean. Because of this, we ask the community to please teach your children about the importance of washing their hands before and after handling food. To not touch others while they are eating or while there still may be traces of allergens on their hands, face or body as well as not putting things in their mouths that may be shared among others in their classrooms. Eg, pens, pencils etc, as even very small traces of allergens can be enough to trigger an attack.

An attack usually happens within minutes. The average is between 5 - 20 minutes after being exposed to an allergen. Symptoms may be mild at first, but tend to get worse rapidly. The most important management strategy for our students is to keep away from all known triggers and this can only happen if we all work together to keep the children safe in YOUR school.

If you have any concerns about the health of your child/ren please call us on: 3437 9888

Kindest Regards

Dell Mckenzie
Work Place Health and Safety Officer
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program is at Springfield Lakes SS.

SCHOOL BANKING IS EVERY WEDNESDAY!

JUST DROP YOUR YELLOW BANKING WALLET INTO THE UNIFORM SHOP BEFORE SCHOOL!

This is a great fundraiser for our school. We receive $5 for every child, $5 for every Activated Account via the School Banking program (i.e. for each student who banks through the school’s program for the very first time) and 5% of every deposit made at school (up to a maximum of $10 commission per individual deposit).


2014 BOOKLIST
FROM THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

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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.

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 BPay or internet banking after the due date will be refunded back to the payee.
Payment Times

8:00am to 10:30am daily

Payment Methods

- BPAY – details on invoice - minimum $10.00 transaction
- 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 9 - Whole School Focus

Cooperative - Follow the instructions of every member of staff.

Week 10 - Year Level Focus

Prep - Peaceful - Be aware of your personal space and the personal space of others.

Year One - Peaceful - Use a voice appropriate to the task.

Year Two - Cooperative - Keep left to the path and walk safely.

Year Three - Cooperative - Be an active member of class teams.

Year Four - Cooperative - Play allowed games in correct areas.

Year Five - Cooperative - Play allowed games in correct areas.

Year Six - Respectful - Keep your body parts and other objects to yourself.

Year Seven - Cooperative - Follow outdoor personal safety procedures.
Congratulations to these students who achieved well or who have been excellent citizens.

**Junior Assembly**

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UNIFORM SHOP

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES   TERM 1-2014

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

Our schools uniform shop is now available on-line just click on the link available on school website. All orders will be delivered to your child's classroom.

Uniforms also available for purchase on line, click on the link on the school website. All orders are delivered direct to child/ren's classroom.

Payment and Collections Options:

In 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.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Lucky winner of the "Win a Lunch" for this week is Micah S from 1A. To go in the draw all you have to do is order Tuckshop on-line. Lunch prize is to the value of $7.50

CAN YOU VOLUNTEER HALF AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME AT THE TUCKSHOP?

Regular volunteers are required in the tuckshop to help with counter service for half an hour at lunch time from 11:15 - 11:45am each day.
The whole school have the same lunch breaks now so this means an increased volume of children lining up at break time and volunteers are needed to help serve this many children.

If you are able to commit to a regular volunteer roster along with other parent volunteers please see Sandra in the tuckshop and advise her of your availability. Any help is greatly appreciated.

In terms of productivity, less stopping during the day to serve at the different breaks means that there are longer blocks of time during the day for baking and preparation in between counter service times.

Volunteers are going to be needed to come in on a 30 min roster to help serve at this time.

New GLUTEN FREE MENU AVAILABLE at the tuckshop
SPORTS NEWS

P&C Cross-Country & Walkathon Fundraiser

On the 2nd April our school will be participating in the Yrs 4-7 X-Country which is a major fundraiser for the P&C. We ask for your support by seeking donations. By raising $10 or more you will receive a fantastic prize. The more donations you receive the more prizes you can choose. There are over 70 prizes on offer with quality, well-known brands such as Sony, iPod Shuffles, Razor, Nerf, Wahu and much, much more. You can ask your parents, relatives, family friends or even a next door neighbour to sponsor you. We do not recommend seeking donations door to door. You must have adult supervision at all times.

The reason why our school is participating in this fundraiser is because we need to raise money so that we can have Chappy Hayden in our school. This means we need to raise at least $11,000. Just for participating in the fundraiser each student will receive a participation certificate. Also, each family who raises $10 or more will go into the draw to win a 2 night holiday at Sea World Resort for 2 adults and 2 children.

All money raised is due on the following dates:

Year 4-7 – Friday 4th April 2014
Prep-Yr 3 – Friday 4th April 2014

Thanks for your support

*Danielle Fajzullin*
*P.E. Teacher*

DEFENCE NEWS

Hello Defence Families.

I can’t believe Term 1 is almost over and holidays are upon us. I have had a very busy Term 1 getting to know our new families and also hosting afternoon teas with the Defence students. We had lots of fun eating our choc chip biscuits and drinking our milk (they do love to eat).

We have a few families that will be very excited to have their Dad’s home from deployment (not long to go now). I wish you all the best as you get to spend your holidays together and Mum might get a well-deserved rest.

Our Anzac assembly will be on Wednesday the 23rd of April at 9.00am. I invite all Members to come along in uniform and join me and their children for morning tea afterwards. I understand this is a very busy time for defence personnel but if you are able, it would be great to see you. I hope you have a lovely Easter break and I will see you in Term 2.

*Kindest Regards*
*Kim Roberts*
YMCA IS A NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANISATION

YMCA SPRINGFIELD LAKES OSHC

BEFORE, AFTER & VACATION CARE.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE CO ORDINATOR.

We are licenced to care for 150 children for Before and After School Care. We have plenty of places available. Please give us a call and arrange an appointment to come and visit our Centre.

We are the demountable that has the large YMCA sign on the roof.

The April school holidays are only a couple of weeks away, we have a fun filled program on offer. Booking forms are out and are available on the YMCA Web Site. there will be two excursions one for the younger grades to Ten Pin Bowling at Richlands and the older grades are going to the new Trampoline Centre at Redbank.

Other fun activities organised are Palaeontology & dinosaurs, Heroes & Villains & Come Dine with us. There will be heaps of other activities suited to the children's ages and skills.

We take bookings for just one day so if your child/ren are interested in Dinosaurs why not send them along for the day. It costs $43.00 per day and less if you are entitled to CCB % from Centrelink.
**Training**

**Auskick** – Saturdays @ Springfield Central High School
**Juniors** - Tuesdays @ Summit Oval, Springfield Lakes
  U6/U8 – 430pm till 530pm, U9/10 - 5pm till 6pm
**Youth** – Tuesday and Fridays @ Summit Oval, Springfield Lakes
  U11/12/13 – 530pm till 630pm
**Mens Seniors** – Tuesday & Fridays @ Summit Oval, Springfield Lakes

*Why not come down and give it a try!*

For Enquires Contact
Llewellynn – 0423 777 509
[springfieldjuniors@aflbj.com](mailto:springfieldjuniors@aflbj.com)
[www.facebook.com/springfieldlakesafc](http://www.facebook.com/springfieldlakesafc)

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**Soccer & Rugby Camps**

Boys & Girls – Ages 5 to 15 – 9.00am to 3.00pm
**April 2014**
**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

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CLEVER LITTLE ONES NETBALL EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CLINIC
presents
A Fundraiser for the Queenslander in the Aussie 21's Indoor Netball Team
heading to South Africa for the 2014 Indoor Netball World Cup

When: Monday 7th April 2014
Where: Brisbane West Indoor Sports Centre
27 Bellwood Street DARRA Q. 4154
Time: 9am-3pm (bring morning tea, lunch, a water bottle and a netball "ball"
Cost: $75
Registration: 11-13 year olds
Register at www.cleverlittleones.com.au

IPSWICH - UNITED PARENTS

Have you heard the buzz about Ipswich UP?
Join us in getting out of the house with your 0-5 year olds and creating the community we want for our children!

UP serves to connect Ipswich parents together through activity groups, social networking, and links to community services. Some of our most popular sessions include farm visits, baby music sessions, messy play days, facilitated playgroups, and 'Upschool' - our very own themed 'out and about' group for 2-5 year olds.

Keep up to date by following us on facebook, or requesting to receive our weekly email update.

FOLLOW 'Ipswich UP' on facebook, or request our weekly email update.
Contact Alana on 0428387838; admin@ipswichUP.com
www.ipswichUP.com
DO YOU KNOW A TEACHER WHO DESERVES RECOGNITION

GO TO positiveschools.com.au TO NOMINATE A POSITIVE TEACHER WHO DESERVES RECOGNITION FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO STUDENT, STAFF AND SCHOOL WELLBEING

In 2014 we will ‘celebrate all nominations’. We will openly and officially acknowledge ALL nominees online, at The Positive Schools conferences and in personal correspondence. In addition a very special award will be given to outstanding Positive Teachers at Each of our four events.

Remember when you believed in anything and everything?
Researchers from the University of Western Australia are investigating children’s ability to detect and avoid potentially harmful social interactions, such as being easily fooled or tricked into doing something. We are looking to see how this develops in children, and when children outgrow this vulnerability.

We are looking for parents of Kindergarten – Year 6 children across Australia to complete an online survey (15 – 20 minutes). Participants will go into a draw to win one of 10 $50 gift certificates to Coles/Myers. To participate go to: http://tinyurl.com/childsvq

Or for more information please contact Rebecca Seward at (08) 6488 4652
HOST FAMILIES NEEDED IN JUNE 2014
EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS
IMPROVE YOUR LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HOME

In June we will be receiving exchange students from Europe, Japan, the USA & Latin America. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a local school for 2 or 10 months. As we plan for their arrival, we are looking for host families across Australia to welcome these students into their home.

Hosting is an experience that is often referred to as a way to 'reignite your passion for your country', whilst at the same time creating bonds and sharing lifelong memories. Attached is a notice for your newsletter in a PDF format. We would appreciate if you could please download this for your newsletter, noticeboard or website.

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 teachers with further information on our inbound students you can also view some student profiles on our website. 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!
“Hosting Kirstine has brought our family closer together. We’re doing things we used to do when our kids were little, like boiling the billy, having a BBQ and baking apples up the paddock. She’s helped us remember how to have fun when we’re working and take time out for adventures.” Sharon, 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

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 you have any questions about hosting an exchange student or would like to view profiles of students arriving from other countries, you can either respond to this email or call our office on 1300 135 331.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,
Sandra Harders
Hosting Coordinator

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 2014 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Spain, Germany, Italy, Finland, Norway and Denmark 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 scceast@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
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School Holiday Survivor Camp (8-13 year olds)
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For further details, contact Steve Wilkes on 0403154510.

*School Camps – please let me know if you school is interested in one of our school camp programs. Sports Tuition’s camp base is at Camp Lake Fire, however, Sports Tuition is an activity provider for Alexandra Headlands Conference Centre on the Sunshine Coast and Koonjewarre Retreat Centre at Springbrook, so there are a few options.

Kind regards
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