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Parents & Citizens Association
meets on the last Monday of each month
at 7.30pm. All parents are welcome

Please note that ALL newsletter articles are to be received in the office by 11am on Wednesdays. You can email your article to newsletter@sherwoodss.eq.edu.au. Late articles will appear in the following week’s newsletter.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SEP
Thu 5 Year 2 Excursion to Lone Pine
Fri 6 An evening of Hollywood Glamour (7pm-Indooroopilly Golf Club)
Fri 13 Year 1 Excursion to Planetarium & Botanic Gardens
Fri 13 Year 5 Excursion to Gold Fields of Bahrs Scrub
Fri 13 School Disco (Prep to Yr 3 - 4.00 to 5.30pm) (Yr 4 to 7 – 6.00 to 7.30pm)
Wed 18 Year 7 Taoist Temple and China Town Excursion
Fri 20 String Workshop with Corinda SHS (New Hall)
Fri 20 Final Day Term 3

OCT
Tue 8 Commencement of Term 4
Thu 17 Instrumental Concert Night (New Hall) 6:30pm
Mon 21 Student Free Day
Tue 22 COGS Band Festival (New Hall) 9.00am-1.00pm
Wed 23 – Fri 25 Year 5 Camp
Wed 23 – Wed 30 Scholastic Book Fair
Mon 28 P&C Meeting (7.30-9.30pm - Staff Room)

2013 SCHOOL TERMS

Term 3: Mon 8 Jul to Fri 20 Sep
Term 4: Tue 8 Oct to Fri 13 Dec

E-NEWSLETTER - To receive our Newsletter via email type the link below in the address bar of your browser.
PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
Greg Nelson
Email: gnels5@eq.edu.au

Last week Year 5 students undertook our Bike Education Program. This is an initiative of Sherwood State School that has a history of more than 15 years. Ms Hamilton, a Teacher Aide and parent of Sherwood, has coordinated and organised the program over the last number of years and is doing a fabulous job! The program is supported with parent volunteers and combines both safety and skill building – THANK YOU to our helpers and especially Ms Hamilton!

Thank you also to the many parents who have sent along food for our gourmet hamper to be raffled on election day, and to the many parents of Student Council members who have volunteered to help at the sausage sizzle. The funds raised are much needed by our very active Student Council who are working hard to make our school a better place for our children. I meet with the Student Council most weeks and am very proud that we have so many fantastic students who demonstrate a true commitment to service – they are a wonderful group of Sherwood students.

Today I attended State High to help my daughter establish her subjects for Senior. I felt very proud to be greeted by so many former Sherwood students and also to understand that they are building their future success through State schools. State High is embarking on a $40 million building program to ensure it remains one of the very highest performing schools in the state. We are very fortunate to have the outstanding range of options for our brightest students and I’m also proud that the Principal of State High, Mr Haynes, is such a powerful and capable leader.

We are beginning to field inquiries about our plans for 2017 when the school celebrates 150 proud years of education. The inquiries are coming from past students as far away as Perth! Time to start talking within our community about the possibilities – and also begin bringing together people with an interest in the history of our school. If you have a particular interest is this please let me know.

Building Resiliency – how can you help? Seemingly at odds with my comments last week, it is also important not to let children give up too easily. It’s all about balance and our best judgement as good parents. Resilient learners are successful by demonstrating genuine effort. I believe in the saying ‘we make our own luck’ and I think this is important for students to understand. I often tell students that the ethic of working hard means at least as much as natural ability.

HARMONY DAY
Francine Hayler, Deputy Principal

Harmony Day is celebrated around Australia on 21 March each year. It is a day when all Australians celebrate our cultural diversity. It gives people the opportunity to celebrate what makes each Australian unique and share what we have in common.

In past years, we had a number of activities for the students taking place at first break. These activities included story reading from different cultures in the library, under the oak tree and in the Year 2 eating area, a dancing display in the new hall and a talk and DVD on Punjab in one of the classrooms. In 2013, Harmony Day trees were erected with the ideas from students written on the leaves. All of these activities were run by parents of the school. There is very little money available to hire or employ guest speakers or performers, so we will be relying on volunteers. We would also like the whole school to have the opportunity to be involved.

This year, we are asking for parents and friends of Sherwood to attend a meeting on Wednesday 18 September at 8:15am to discuss possible activities for 2014. If you are able to attend, please phone the office and let us know. Alternatively, you could email your ideas and volunteer to run an activity to one of the following:

Kelly Alexander (Yr 3) kalex4@eq.edu.au
Alison Mann (ESL) amann61@eq.edu.au
Francine Hayler (DP) fhayl1@eq.edu.au

I look forward to hearing from you!
FONA NEWS

Our school needs your votes!

We are pleased to announce that we have applied for the Ezyplant S.E.Q. Schools Gardening Grant. There is $2000.00 cash, gardening products and services available to us through this grant and we need your vote for our gardening project.

The voting process has changed this year so please support the school by doing the following:

1. Go to www.ezyplant.com.au
2. Click on the School Grants page.
3. Choose the "Vote for your School" button at the bottom of the page and follow the prompts.
4. Once you have registered you will receive a confirmation email. Don’t forget to "LIKE" Ezyplant.com.au on Facebook to be kept up to date on how our school is going and when BONUS points days will occur.

Anyone can vote for our school so please tell your family, friends and neighbours so they can support our school gardening project too.

Thank you for supporting our school, please support the Ezyplant Grant Partners.

DISCO 2013
Ann Ringelstein

Our annual disco is just around the corner – Friday 13th September. The theme is the letter “S”. There are lots of prizes to be won – best dressed, most creative costume, best dance moves……. So get cracking on those outfits and practicing your dance moves kids. The disco is from 4.00-5.30 for the Prep to Year 3’s and 6.00-7.30 for the Year 4 – 7’s. Cost of entry is $5.00 or $10.00 per family. There will be food and drinks for sale at the disco – hotdogs, drinks and cupcakes. There will also be glowsticks for sale. I have had a lot of students volunteer to help and would love some adults to help on the night as well – taking money at the door, serving food and serving water on the night. Donations of cupcakes to sell on the night would also be wonderful. Please email or ring myself on e: ringos@internode.on.net / t:0400407501 if you are able to help.
AFTER SCHOOL CARE
Contact Details: Leanne Ross, Director, 3278 1658

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
Juanita Bennett, Uniform Shop Convenor
OPEN Tuesday & Thursday 8.15-9.15am – Wednesday 2.45-3.45pm
Email: sssuniformshop@gmail.com

If anyone has any second hand uniforms to donate, it would be much appreciated – especially smaller sized tops and bottoms!!

If you have a preppie starting next year (I know it’s hard to believe that I’m suggesting it now!), please remember to make an appointment for uniform fittings in November. You would be surprised how quickly I fill up between now and then. Please contact me for details.

The uniform shop is also in the process of setting up credit card payment for orders. It is NOT available as yet, but I will let you know when it is available. For future reference, new order forms will be available from the school website.

TUCKSHOP NEWS
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (Closed Monday & Tuesday)
Cathie Perkins, 3379 3881

Well I have asked nicely for extra bakers twice now and the only response I’ve had is from people already on the tuckshop roster prepared to take on extra. Surely there are a couple of people out there that can bake 1 dozen muffins/cakes for tuckshop. You would only need to do this 3 times this year! Please call into the tuckshop and pick up a baking form if you can help out. If you are worried about your baking skills this is not the Aussie bake-off and packet mix cakes totally accepted. If I do not get some more bakers in I will be unable to guarantee homebake surprise on Fridays as I am finding they are all sold by then.

BOOK CLUB
A reminder that all book club orders need to be handed in by Friday, 6 September.

SHERWOOD SHARKS SWIM CLUB

Spring Season
Our three (3) week Spring Season commenced this week, on Tuesday. Mini, Intermediate and Senior Squad swimmers are all getting themselves ready with 3.30 until 4.30pm training, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays until the end of term 3.

Sign On
Our formal sign on day for Term 3 and 4 swimming was held last week.

Squirts, Nemos and Hammerhead positions filled very quickly. The following positions are still available:

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We tend to find that positions become available as children’s abilities improve and they progress to the next level.

Mini, Intermediate, Senior Squads and Adult swimming all have vacancies but MORNINGS certainly have less enrolments and so your swimmer will have more lane space and more coach time if they attend morning sessions. If you were unable to attend the sign on you can still sign-on by completing the forms which are available on our webpage http://sherwoodsharks.com/. For details of available lesson and squad times please email our coordinator at squads@sherwoodsharks.com
Committee Meeting
The next committee meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday 16th of September 2013. Please contact any committee member to obtain more details. We still need more committee members and volunteers to assist with all processes.

If you would like to assist or contribute to this volunteer organisation than provides your children with swimming lessons at their school then please consider joining the committee or simply volunteering on club nights.

Working Bee
Please come and help make the pool pristine for the new season by attending the swim club Working Bee on Sunday 15th September 2013.

SHERWOOD STATE SCHOOL TENNIS COACHING
School Coaching will commence from Wednesday 9th October (first week back after the school holidays). Return forms no later than Monday 16th September. To ensure a place in a class, forms must be returned by this date. Do not return forms to the school office after this date, contact Jim Joyce directly on 0417 771022. You can download a copy of the enrolment form from the Sherwood State School website.

Spare enrolment forms are available from the School Office. Special Offer – All new students in Grades 1 and 2 will receive a free tennis racket when joining for the first time.

Holiday Clinic
West Brisbane Tennis Centre will be holding a holiday clinic from Monday 30th September to Wednesday 2nd October 8.30am to 12.00noon. The cost will be $120. The clinic is for children aged between 5 - 17, beginners to advanced.

For further enquiries please contact Jim Joyce on 0417 771022.

P & C NEWS
The P&C Agenda and Minutes from the August meeting are now on the Sherwood State School website.

CLASS 4B GET-TOGETHER
You are invited to a Class 4B Get-together in the Park on Sunday September 8th, from 9:30-11:30 at the Sherwood Arboretum. Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea, play equipment, hats, sunscreen etc for a fun play and catch up in the park.
We hope to see you there,
Kylie and Yasmin
Class 4B Parent Reps

MISSING SCOOTER
If anyone has found a bright yellow scooter with black handle bars and graffiti motif on the kick board, which was taken from the bike rack's on Friday afternoon, please contact the office.

COMMUNITY NOTICES
(For detailed information see the noticeboard at the office)

WORLD'S LONGEST BRA CHAIN ATTEMPT - bras for breast cancer research. LAST CALL FOR BRA'S - NEEDED BY FRI 20th SEPTEMBER! I am helping a wonderful friend of mine, Caryn Gorrie to collect 200,00 bra's for her world's longest bra chain attempt that will take place on Saturday 5th October. A MASSIVE thank you for all of the bra's that I have received so far. Caryn would LOVE some more bra's! Dig deep into your draws - all gratefully accepted! Donating $1/bra will also raise funds that will go directly to The Cancer Council QLD. After the event, all bras will be donated to women less fortunate here in Australia & OS. Please call Iveta Lott to arrange collection, 0423 777 042. Looking forward to receiving many more bras!
**ORIGAMI DOJO’S HOLIDAY WORKSHOP**..... What’s new in the ZOO. Origami is proving to be very popular with kids. It is one of the simplest of art forms and develops fine motor skills and concentration in children… but most of all … origami is fun. Another advantage… it’s a pastime that parents can join in without being shown up for our lack of knowledge of technology. This school holidays, Master folder Jonathan Baxter will be teaching kids how to fold animals. There will be a whole range to make and take home. The students can make a zoo full of creatures… and the good thing is you can even fold their food and you don’t have to clean up after them… the perfect pet. The classes are aimed at the 8 years upwards and will guarantee something to keep the kids entertained long after the workshop. The workshops will be held at the Graceville Presbyterian Church Hall in Banks Road on October 1, 2 & 3 with two sessions a day, starting at 9.30 and 1.30. The workshops will only cost $35 per child with all materials supplied… and to stretch your holiday dollar even further, there are family discounts and parents and carers are free. For more information contact Jonathan Baxter on 3172 7291 or email kami@origamidojo.com.au

Please find the details below for our next meeting:

**Date:** Thursday September 19th  
**Time:** 9.30am - 11.30am  
**Venue:** St Matthew’s Church Hall - cnr. Oxley & Sherwood Rds. Sherwood  
**Speaker:** Jillaine Wheeler - Nutrition Practitioner  
**Topic:** Dietary causes, effects & impacts in ASD children & adults  
**Cost:** Gold coin donation appreciated  
**About the speaker:** Jillaine Wheeler BHSc Nutritional Med. Certified GAPS Practitioner

Jillaine works closely with biomedical practitioners in all areas of health and in particular Autistic spectrum disorder. She graduated from Endeavor with a degree in nutritional medicine and has since trained at ACNEM MINDO and BioBalance to expand her knowledge of mental health and natural medicine integration. She was trained by Dr Natasha Campbell-McBride and is a certified GAPS practitioner. Jillaine combines her extensive knowledge of nutritional medicine and passion for traditional and nourishing food to help people achieve their health potential. She has incorporated these concepts in developing her personal consultancy and a unique food service to support individuals and families. As The Pantry Practitioner her desire is to nourish families and to help them thrive - with knowledge, skills and healing food. Through regular cooking sessions in her ‘community kitchen’ she seeks to empower individuals with knowledge and skills required to prepare nourishing food for their families. She applies nutritional medicine principles in her kitchen to cater for specific requirements such as ASD, food intolerances/ allergies and other conditions.

**THE STAVERTON SERIES PRESENTS**

**an information evening on  “PREPARING FOR PREP”**
Presented by Maree Hass, Deputy Principal Graceville State School

**When:** Wednesday 18th September 2013 from 7-8.00pm  
**Where:** Staverton Kindergarten 43 Twickenham St Chelmer  

**Free Event**  
with Coffee/Tea from 6.45pm

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**BimBamBoom**

It’s About Learning and Having Fun  
**Educational Toys, Art Workshops, Birthday Parties and Holiday Programs**  
**Creative Holiday fun for all ages – Now with Arty Afternoons**  
**April 2nd – April 12th**  
**See our website for Workshop details**  

Looking for a venue for you next birthday party we have a new party room!
**BIM BAM BOOM** at Graceville is once again offering creative art workshops for the school holidays. From Toddler’s Get Messy to our Arty Afternoons for our older children there is something for everyone. Check out our full program on our website www.bimbamboom.com.au. Or Ph 07 3278 3788 for more details.

**OXLEY GOLD CLUB GETS KIDS INTO THE SWING** Oxley Golf Club will be hosting a Junior Golf Expo on Sunday 27th October 2013 where local children will be given the opportunity to come and try golf in a fun, safe and friendly environment with accredited golf professionals. The FREE event will include a kids jumping castle, sausage sizzle, competitions prizes and give aways as well as Junior Membership & Equipment specials.

**OGC Junior Golf Expo**
Date: Sunday 27th October 2013
Place: Oxley Golf Club, 290 Boundary Rd Oxley QLD 4075
Time: 1pm - 4pm
For more information contact Oxley Golf Club on (07) 3379 6322, admin@oxleygolfclub.com.au

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**Sports Holiday Program**

**23rd – 27th September**

**Game On Holiday Fun**
Game On Australia’s September holiday program will include lots of great sports, games and activities to provide students with an active, social and enjoyable holiday.

**Years:** Prep - Year 7 - All abilities welcome
**Where:** Christ the King Primary School and Graceville Park, Graceville.
**Times:** Activities from 9:00am-3:00pm
**Operators:** Game On is organised and run by qualified HPE teachers and coaches

*Early Bird Specials apply so be sure to book quickly.*

For full details and to register online, visit: [www.gameonaustralia.com.au](http://www.gameonaustralia.com.au) or E: info@gameonaustralia.com.au

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**FREE COME & TRY DAYS**

**WATERPOLO QUEENSLAND**

Sundays in September Sorted!
FREE* All Ages Event at a Club near you in Brisbane
1st, 8th, and 15th September 2013.
Find your nearest club via our website
*Pool entry may vary or included
See our Website for more information [www.waterpoloqld.com.au](http://www.waterpoloqld.com.au)
School Holiday Survivor Camp

(8-13 year olds)

1-3 October 2013

- Location: Camp Lake Fire, Maroon Dam, www.camplakefire.com.au
- Activities: Fishing in electric powered boats, canoeing, raft building, abseiling, milk crate climb, archery, initiative and challenge activities, night activities & open fire cooking.
- Tent Accommodation with self-inflatable air mattresses.
- All meals.
- Prizes & Give-a-ways.
- Limited places available.
- Optional bus service: $55.

Visit www.sportstuition.com.au and register or Phone 0403 154 510 for further details.
SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOPS AT GRACEVILLE UNITING CHURCH HALL. Creative Kids Brisbane has inspiring, educational, fun, skill based children’s art workshops for all levels of creativity on offer at the Uniting Church Hall on Oxley Road in Graceville these September holidays. Each day of the June/July school holidays children aged between 3-12 will have the chance to learn a variety of art skills and techniques such as portrait drawing, sculpture, free form clay work, mixed media and photo processing skills under the guidance of experienced arts educator Liz Austin-Glen. For more information go to www.facebook.com/CreativeKidsBrisbane or please contact Liz on 0405 641 363 or via email at liz.austinglen@gmail.com.

School Holiday Cricket Clinics

Boys and girls of all standards are welcome to attend Holiday Cricket Clinics conducted by Henschell Cricket Academy Pty Ltd.

These Clinics concentrate on skills and activities for the beginner to the representative player whilst having fun.

Where:  Fig Tree Pocket State School, Cubberla Street, Fig Tree Pocket

When:  Monday 30 September 2013 to Thursday 3 October 2013 inclusive (4 days)

Times:  8:30am to 12:00pm daily

Cost:  $199.00 (Incl. GST)

Contact: email – henschellcricket@bigpond.com or phone – Brett Henschell 0458 026 224
Young Athletes 4 Life programme seeks to introduce children in grades 4-6 to Athletics while keeping it fun, team based and fitting the sport of Athletics to the children.

This initiative is run by The Brisbane Sprint Stable in partnership with Corinda State High School and will take place at the main oval at the rear of the school.

Only 25 places available!

What’s it all about?

FUN Athletics @ Corinda!

Venue: Corinda State High School (oval at the rear of the school).
Address: 46 Pratten Street, Corinda.
Dates: Thursdays, August 22 and 29, September 5 and 12.
Time: 3.30 – 4.30 pm.
Cost: $10.00 per session.

TO REGISTER
CALL
0450 304 361
Welcome to join us at Sherwood State School in Term 4, 2013!

About iChinese
iChinese provides a variety of after-school Mandarin classes for students at their schools. Our three main types of classes are Foundation, Catch-up and strengthening and Extension.

Our teachers
Our teachers are registered Chinese teachers of Queensland with professional teaching experiences in Australia. Here are our two main teachers:

Belinda Han
* Mandarin teaching experience at Queensland State Schools
* Mandarin teaching experience at after school hours ethnic schools
* Experience of writing Mandarin learning resources at the QLD LOTE Centre

Ruby Li
* Mandarin teaching experience at early learning centres with approved kindergarten programs QLD
* Mandarin teaching experience at after school hours ethnic schools
* Experience of writing Mandarin language programs for after school hours ethnic schools

Our program
iChinese provides student-centred, systematic language programs for kindy children, primary school students and high school students who are interested in learning Mandarin—the modern standard Chinese.

Our sites
We currently run classes at the following schools and kindergartens:
- Sherwood State School
- Chapel Hill State School
- Goodstart Early Learning Centre
- Ashgrove
- Brisbane State High School
- The Gap State School

Mandarin classes at Sherwood S. S. available in Term 4, 2013!

- Time: 3:15pm - 4:15pm
- Day: To be confirmed
- Classroom: To be confirmed
- Cost per hour: $15 / student
- Number of students: No more than 12 per class

To enrol for Term 4, 2013
- Simply email us at ichinesebrisbane@hotmail.com with the student’s 1) name, 2) year level, and 3) any prior Mandarin learning by Friday, October 04.

Thanks for the great support from the principal, the administrative officer and the Chinese teacher of Sherwood State School!

A Small Step Today    A Giant Leap Tomorrow
ALSO AVAILABLE AT SHERWOOD SCHOOL

Listed below are a number of extra curricula activities available to our school community both before and after school. Please contact directly.

**After School Care**
- Telephone 3278 1658 (Old Hall)

**Art Classes for Children & Adults**
- (Room 68 – Prep Building)
  - Mon/Wed/Thu 3.15pm-4.15pm
  - Telephone Kim Woolley 3379 6585

**Beginner Guitar Lessons**
- (Music Rooms)
  - Mon/Wed/Thu 3-5pm
  - Telephone Audrey on 0432 574 155

**Ceramics Sculpting 3D Design**
- (Room 15)
  - Wednesday 3.00-3.45pm
  - Telephone Hugo Vesara on 3715 6069 or Mobile 0401 911 475

**DDJ Performing Arts**
- Dance/Drama/Music (Music Room)
  - Tues/Wed/Thu 3.15-4.30pm
  - Telephone Katrina 1300 335 335

**Fitness & Dance (FAD)**
- Cheerleading & Dance (New Hall)
  - Wed 3.30-7pm
  - Telephone Belinda 32736367

**Go Sports**
- Soccer & Netball
  - Fridays 7.45am to 8.45am
  - Telephone Greg Martin on 0417 614 509

**iChinese**
- Mandarin Chinese Lessons
  - Tue 3.15-4.15 (Rm 15) & Wed 3.15-4.15 (Music Room)
  - Telephone Belinda or Ruby 0402 367 332

**Jim Joyce Tennis Coaching**
- (Tennis Courts)
  - Before and after school lessons
  - Telephone 3375 3644 or Mobile 0417 771 022

**Keyboardkidz**
- Contemporary Piano Tuition (Music Room)
  - Fridays 3-5pm
  - Telephone Malcolm on 3849 5954

**Korean Language School**
- (Old Hall)
  - Saturdays 9-1pm
  - Telephone Joung 0431 177706

**Latin X**
- Latin Dancing (Old Hall)
  - Tuesdays 7pm - 9pm
  - Telephone Veronika Smith 0417 002 925

**Personal Training - Spectrum PT**
- (Oval & Under New Hall)
  - Mon & Thu 6.30-7.30pm, Sat 7.30-8.30am & 9-10am
  - Telephone Karen 0406 406 242

**Play Beautiful Football Academy**
- (Oval)
  - Wed 3.15-4.15pm
  - Telephone Sam 0425 908 308

**RHEE TaeKwon-Do**
- (Old Hall)
  - Wednesdays and Fridays 6.30pm-7.30pm
  - Telephone Michelle Martin 0400 826 488 or Rhee TaeKwon Do HQ on 1300 132 779.

**Speech Pathology**
- Helping Speech, Language and Literacy difficulties
  - Visiting before and during school Wed and Thu
  - Telephone Keirra Middleton 0425 860 310

**Traditional Shotokan Karate**
- (Old Hall)
  - Monday and Thursday 6.30 – 8.30pm
  - Telephone Sensei Steve 0417007012 www.tskfa.com.au or email sandrews@tskfa.com.au

**Tennis Court Hire**
- Contact Caitlin Simonson Ph: 3379 9559 or 0417 544 423
Violin Tuition (Music Room)
Tue/Wed 3pm & Thu 7.15am
Telephone Liz Young 0417 922 508