Creative happy life-long learners

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SEP
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)

NOV
Wed 6  Choral Concert Night (New Hall – 6.30-8.00pm)
Mon 11  Yr 2 & 3 String Parents Meeting (Music Room – 6.30-8.00pm)
Wed 13  Arts Council Performance (New Hall)
Fri 22  Medieval Day – Year 6 (New Hall)

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.
The school disco was terrific. The behaviour of the students was outstanding and the support of parents a great help. Ann Ringelstein, a long-standing parent, has been coordinating the disco for many years now with the assistance of our Student Council and parent helpers. For many students the disco is a fantastic highlight memory and together over the years the discos are woven into the fabric of memories of our school. Ten per cent of the profits of the disco are given to a charity nominated by our Student Council (will keep you posted) and the Student Council decides how the other funds will provide better services for children across the school.

The P-2 ‘soccer field’ has been a much loved dust bowl for quite some time! Our Sherwood Sharks Swimming Club is providing the funds to level and returf this area over the September vacation. The turf has been selected for toughness and Mr Brown is installing irrigation to ensure that we can keep this area grassy and in great condition into the future.

NAPLAN results have arrived! We continue to track strongly compared to the Nation and very substantially above the Queensland mean. However, we have a determination to look continuously for improvement and the hard work that we have been doing in reading this year, I believe, will bring further rewards in 2014. I am enormously proud of the initiatives we have implemented in reading this year including:

- Classroom coaching for teachers and many professional learning sessions
- Implementing school-wide best practices in teaching reading including a strong focus on reading comprehension
- Better diagnostic testing for students to identify their specific needs
- Intervention reading groups to lift various target groups
- Introduction of the Ready Reader volunteer program and
- Many new resources including home readers, reading schemes and online readers.

In the table above the green identifies areas where our school is substantially above the National mean, and blue indicates at level. We have large numbers of students achieving in the upper 2 of 6 bands (Top 2 Bands %) of achievement, large numbers of students at or above the National Minimum Standard (NM%) and in every case a mean score above the Nation.

Please stay safe over the September vacation. If you are driving to a holiday destination take particular care. Thank you to all of the families who have been so supportive over the year to date and I look forward to catching up with you again when I return after a little Long Service Leave. Ms Hayler will be Acting Principal until I return on Monday 21 October.
FONA NEWS

EZYplant.com.au

Our school needs your votes!

We are pleased to announce that we have applied for the EZYplant S.E.O. 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.

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
SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking Update: Redeem your tokens for a moneybox this year!

In 2014 the School Banking program will be launching a new set of exciting reward items for students to redeem their tokens for. Each reward item will continue to be valued at 10 tokens (i.e. 10 deposits) and there will be two new reward items for students to choose from each term.

With exciting new reward items on offer in 2014, please be aware that the Dollarmites moneyboxes will no longer be available next year. To avoid any child missing out on claiming their moneybox, please let your children know of this change and encourage them to redeem their moneybox this school year.

In an effort to ensure your child doesn’t miss out, the rule of one money box per year has been removed. If your child is trying to collect the series of Dollarmite moneyboxes, they are encouraged to do so before the end of the school year. Please understand that the still need to redeem each moneybox for the required 10 tokens.

SHERWOOD SHARKS SWIM CLUB

Working Bee - Thanks

Last Sunday we had our pre-season working bee. The pool is pristine, the toilets scrubbed, the canteen polished and the concrete pressure hosed, all ready for the new season. Thank you so much to the Smyths, Kennedys, Parkers, McFarlanes and Kings for all your mighty efforts.

Season Commences

The season will be kicking off with a bang on Tuesday 8th of October 2013 (remember Monday 7th of October is a public holiday for Labor Day). Nearly all classes are full with vacancies available in all squads. We will be posting any vacancies on the website www.sherwoodsharks.com over the holidays so keep an eye out if you are on a waiting list or still have not got the position or time that you want.

Breakfast

The committee members are all busy working parents too and totally understand the crazy shuffle that is our kids’ extracurricular activities. If you are finding it difficult to get the kids to morning squad with a healthy breakfast then we can help. We will be offering healthy, nutritious breakfasts for a small cost, initially on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Friday mornings with the potential to increase to the full week depending on demand and availability of the canteen coordinator and volunteers. The breky menu will be posted on the webpage with costs in the near future. We are contemplating supplying cereals and milk, juice, fruit and toasted ham, cheese and tomato sandwiches.
Skills Sessions

Skills sessions will be offered again this season on Friday afternoons between 4:30 and 5:30 pm. The schedule of skills sessions will be posted on the website over the holidays and in the first newsletter of the term.

Club nights

Cost: $30 per child/$80 per family
Friday nights approx 5.30-7.30pm
First club night: 11 October 2013

SHERWOOD STATE SCHOOL TENNIS COACHING

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.

GRADE 4 - TERM 4 GET TOGETHER

Save the date - Grade 4 Term 4 get together!

With the end of year fast approaching, all Grade 4 classes are invited to a joint get together.

Date: Sunday 27 October
Time: 2.30 pm

More details to be advised closer to the day, meanwhile mark your calendars!
From all the Grade 4 parent reps.

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!

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 or E: info@gameonaustralia.com.au
WORLD EDUCATION PROGRAM (WEP) Looking For Volunteer Host Families - WEP is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in January 2014. Our students from Italy, Belgium, Brazil, France, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, Thailand, Canada and South America are looking forward to experiencing life in Australia, making new friends and becoming a member of an Australian family soon. Hosting Is Fun! Find Out more! Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family. Sylvia Kelly, Manager – Inbound Exchange Programs, Phone: 1300 884 733, Email: info@wep.org.au; Online: http://www.wep.org.au

### 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
ENROL NOW FOR 2014

Places are available for children born 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010

Staverton runs a Kindergarten approved program and is rated as

Exceeding National Quality Standards

For further information, please contact
P: (07) 3379 1511 Donna or Margarita

43 Twickenham St, Chelmer Qld 4068
P: 07 3379 1511
E: admin@staverton.com.au
www.staverton.com.au
Like Staverton Kindergarten on Facebook

Lady Gowrie Community Kindergarten
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.

Creative Kids Brisbane
Art workshops for children aged 3 to 12 years

School Holiday Art Workshops
23rd to 27th September & 30th to 4th October, 2013

Graceville Uniting Church Hall
Cnr Oxley Rd & Verney Rd, Graceville

10:30am - 12:30pm (5 to 7 years)
1pm - 3pm (8 to 12 years)

Monday 23rd & 30th September: Clay Portrait Heads
- Children will create a bust of an imaginary person whilst learning clay techniques and design using air-drying clay. CLAY SCULPTURE

Tuesday 24th Sept. & 1st October: Paint Making & Stamping
- Children will experiment with line, shape and texture by making their own stamps and prints using alternate printing materials such as card, string & bubble wrap then printing onto paper with paint. Once the prints are dry the prints will be cut up and glued together to make a bright, beautiful wall hanging. PAINTING

Wednesday 25th Sept. & 2nd October: Cutt Clay Owls & Penguins
- Children will learn clay sculpting techniques and be taken through the process of creating their very own cute owl and penguin to take home and cherish forever. CLAY SCULPTURE

Thursday 26th Sept. & 3rd October: Portraits & Landscapes
- Proportion, shape, line, texture and detail will be explored in this lesson. Children will create a bright and colourful cityscape along with a storyboard style illustration. DRAWING

Friday 27th Sept. & 4th October: Outer Space & Ocean Paintings
- Landscape painting will be focused on in this lesson. Children will create bold, eye catching ocean and space paintings using acrylic paint, ink, chalk pastels, charcoal and collage. PAINTING

Workshop Bookings
For enquiries contact Liz on 0405 641 363
or email liz.austinglen@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/CreativeKidsBrisbane

Workshop Prices
$35 per workshop
Early bird special $30 before 13th of September
Family discounts also available
Maximum of 6 children per workshop
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
**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**

### Futsal Jnr Academy
- **(New Hall)**
- **Days to be advised**
- **Telephone Felipe Amorim on 0410 301 981**

### 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**

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

### Korean Language School
- **(Old Hall)**
- **Sat, 1-5pm**
- **Telephone C. 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