



Sherwood News

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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

FEB	
Mon 23	P&C Meeting (7.30pm-Staff Room)
Tue 24	Adopt-A-Cop Visit for Prep (Old Hall) (2.00-2.20pm)
MAR	
Fri 6	Kids Lit Quiz - Bulimba State School (8.00am - 1.30pm)
Tue 17	Adopt-a-Cop visit for Yr 6 (Old Hall) (2.00-2.20pm)
Tue 17	Westcent Auditions (Times TBC)
Wed 18	Westcent Auditions (Times TBC)
Wed 18-Thu 26	Parent/Teacher Interviews (before and after school)
Thu 19	Living History Incursion Yr 6 (All Day - New Hall)
Mon 23	Year 3 Swimming Carnival (TBC)
Wed 25	Senior Swimming Carnival (TBC)
Mon 30	P&C Meeting (7.30pm-Staff Room)
APR	
Thu 2	Final Day Term 1
2015 SCHOOL TERMS	
Term 1: Tue 27 Jan to Thu 2 Apr	
Term 2: Mon 20 Apr to Fri 26 Jun	
Term 3: Mon 13 Jul to Fri 18 Sep	
Term 4: Tue 6 Oct to Fri 11 Dec	

E-NEWSLETTER - To receive our Newsletter via email type the link below in the address bar of your browser.
<http://mailouts.austnews.com.au/subscription/S/sherwood-ss-signup.html>

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dr Greg Nelson

Email: gnels5@eq.edu.au

Yes, the P&C Meeting is next Monday evening at 7:30pm in the Staff Room next to the Office. You are welcome and it would be terrific to see some new faces.

Skill Streaming is a program that we use in all classrooms each week. It is a pro-social skills program for students to learn appropriate behaviours that will help them make and keep friends and be great students around the school. Each week I will include the 'lesson for the week'. You can help support what we are doing at school by talking about the weekly lesson at home too. This week the lesson is about 'Saying Thank-you'.

Saying Thank You

1. Decide if you want to thank someone.
2. Choose a good time and place.
3. Thank the person in a friendly way

Important diagnostic testing: At present our Teachers are doing a lot of diagnostic testing with students in maths and literacy. This information is important for many reasons to support excellent teaching and learning:

- Ensuring Teachers understand the specific needs of each student
- Helping Teachers focus on the small group and 'whole-of-class' work that needs to be taught or re-taught
- Tracking student progress in their learning over the course of the year and
- Helping to group students effectively for their best learning opportunities.

Over the last number of years we have worked hard to improve the quality of the diagnostic testing that we undertake and then the way we record this information to track student progress. We are working hard to build the consistency of diagnostic testing from one class to the next and across the grades.

Free 'Student Advantage' Microsoft Office 2013 Suite

Please help spread the word to students and parents that students can now download a free copy of the Microsoft Office 365 Suite. This suite provides students with a subscription to the full versions of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and OneNote. After downloading, students will have the latest Office suite at home, on their personal PC's, Macs and other mobile devices (up to five in total). Encourage students to visit the Learning Place (<http://education.qld.gov.au/learningplace/>) student space to access a step by step guide and the download link.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

Lillian Sheu, LOTE Teacher

Gong xi fa chai 恭喜發財! Welcome to the new year of the Goat! This year, the Chinese New Year Day falls on Thursday, the 19 February. The Chinese New Year festival is the most significant and extravagant festival in the Chinese culture, as every family reunite and wish each other good luck for the coming year 恭喜(gongxi)! Not only is the New Year about good luck and prosperity, the children in each family particular enjoy this occasion. Every Chinese New Year, each child receives a red money packet 紅包 (hongbao) from their parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, and even their older siblings. In addition, the Chinese also enjoy other celebratory events i.e. lion-dancing, dragon dance, setting off firecrackers, and more importantly, eating!

In class we learnt about the significant Chinese tradition of new year celebration including the legend of Nian monster. Year 5 students make the hongbao to get all the luck and year 6 students make the special Spring mobile to decorate the classroom to signify the good start of the new year. The students also celebrate the new year by singing the new year song and eating the rice cake(niangao) to grow taller and dumplings(jiaozi) to get lots of luck this year. In this special season, I wish all of our school community a very lucky and joyful year of goat. Gong Xi Fa Cai !

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Contact Details: Leanne Davey, Coordinator, 3278 1658

Hi Sherwood Families

It has been a very big start to 2015 with our enrolments rising considerably from last year. Our focus has now turned to Vacation Care which will commence on Tuesday 7th April and will run until Friday 17th April. Our program will be released on Friday 6th March and you will have until Friday 27th March to book your child/ren in at the permanent booking rate. After this date, a casual rate for all bookings will apply. Costs start at \$50.00 per child per day and will be calculated according to the cost of activities on offer. Please remember that Child Care Benefit (CCB) and/or Child Care Rebate (CCR) will reduce these costs. A Vacation Care Program (including information, costs and a booking form) will be sent to each Sherwood OSHC Family on Friday 6th March and will also be available on the website at www.sherwoodoshc.com.au from this same date. Your child/ren must be enrolled with Sherwood OSHC before attending Vacation Care. Please book in for excursions as soon as possible as these places filled up before the permanent booking closing date during the last vacation care and we are limited to the amount of children we can take to these events.

Just a reminder to parents that we are happy to let your children join extra-curricular activities during their time with us at Before School Care, After School Care and Vacation Care if they are being held on school grounds. You only need to complete a form to allow your child/ren to leave and return again.

Our fortnightly statements for this week have been emailed. This Friday, 20th February, Fortnight A accounts will have been charged with payments withdrawn. If you have any queries or would like more information, please email sherwoodoshc@gmail.com, phone 3278 1658 or text 0428 023 832.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Asta Parker, Uniform Shop Convenor, 0402 858 240

OPEN: Monday 8am-9am; Wednesday 2.45pm-3.45pm; Friday 2.45pm-3.45pm

Email: asta.parker@bigpond.com

Second hand clothing sale still going - lots of bargains to be had. New hats arriving on 24th of this month. Sorry to inform all those waiting for the new skirts they came and I sent them back as I wasn't happy with the colour. So I will inform you when I have a better idea of a new date. New hair accessories have arrived.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Cathie Perkins, Tuckshop Convenor, 3379 3881

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (Closed Monday & Tuesday)

Thank you to Natasha Shaw, Tamanna Kaushal, Tara Orchard and Sujittra Duckworth who have all volunteered to fill our vacant positions. Now tuckshop will be able to run as usual.

The new "Sherwood Sliders" have already proved popular. These small burgers are the perfect size for younger students, equally delicious for older ones too.

Please be aware direct depositing money into the tuckshop bank account for use on School24 does require extra processing time between your bank and ours. I generally only check the days tuckshop is open, so if you want to use funds for a Wednesday please deposit them the previous week.

SHERWOOD SHARKS

Swimming class availability

We still have a number of vacancies in some classes. To check availability and times please contact our swim class/squad coordinator, Vanessa Raymond at squads@sherwoodsharks.com

Date claimers

Oxley Cup	8 March
Club Championships	22 March
Break up and presentation night	27 March

Friday Club Night

Friday night club night was yet again well attended with many new families enjoying the social atmosphere, gorgeous food and friendly competition.

Schedule and results: In past years we have used an app, Meet Mobile, to publish our upcoming races for club night and allow paper free access to race results and times. This is a fantastic way of getting this information out easily and efficiently to our swimmers and their families. This year we are still using Meet Mobile, but unfortunately discovered on Friday night that the app developer is now charging users for access. The charge is \$7.49 for a year or \$2.49 per month. Unfortunately this charge is something we have no control over. We will continue to publish our results to meet mobile but our registrars will also now arrange for the Club Night results to be printed and made available at the pool in the week following each Club Night, for those who do not use Meet Mobile.

Registration and start times: We look forward to seeing you all again tomorrow evening. Come at 5.15pm for registration for an approximately 6.00pm swim start.

Meal orders: Just a reminder to new families that you need to order dinner early to get your preference as Asta's yummy specials go quickly.

Volunteers: We need more volunteers on Friday nights. The same 'old' faces you see doing marshalling, the canteen, the barbeque or the time keeping are all volunteers who do it week in, week out. If you did not volunteer last week, please go and ask if you can help out. That person may well want to sit in the stands and watch their children swim. Your kids will love to see you involved in the evening.

Committee Members needed – another call out

If you are interested in helping out on this fun and social committee and on providing a wonderful opportunity to the little swimmers of our community, then please contact one of the committee members via the webpage <http://sherwoodsharks.com>

Friday Afternoon Skills Clinics – Term 1, 2015

We offer free skills clinics every Friday afternoon at 4pm.

20th February	Race Technique
27th February	Relays
6th March	Relays (Oxley Cup Team Only)
13th March	Breaststroke
20th March	Dives and Turns
27th March	No Skills - Break Up

****Please let Coach Kendall know if you are going to attend the weekly skills clinic****

Payments

If you have not paid your swimming fees as yet, please do so asap.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

(For detailed information see the noticeboard at the office)



ARE BRINGING AFTER SCHOOL DANCE TO GRACEVILLE STATE SCHOOL IN 2015!

Every Monday starting from the 9th February
(join anytime)

Prep to Grade 2 Hip Hop from 3:00 - 3:40 pm

Grade 3 to Grade 6 Hip Hop from 3:40 - 4:20 pm

Grade 3 to Grade 6 Break Dance 4:20 - 5:00 pm

Come and try the first class for only \$5 directly to the instructor on the day.

Classes are held in the school hall



Only
\$8 per
session

Enquiries call Beth 0413 313 072 or email to
creativedanceindustries.asd@gmail.com

Check out our team in action :

<http://youtu.be/S4NaPRRI62E>

Visit our website : creativedanceindustries.com.au



Children's Safety Australia Inc. presents
**International Women's Day
Children's Safety Luncheon**



In recognition of the strong connection between women's and children's rights, Children's Safety Australia Inc. is hosting an International Women's Day Luncheon with a focus on practical strategies to promote children's safety. Speakers include internationally renowned children's rights campaigner Professor Freda Briggs, accomplished author Tess Rowley and internet safety expert Brett Lee.

Key topics include:

- the emerging trend of children who abuse other children;
- internet safety tips including how to protect children and young people from various dangers in a rapidly changing online environment; and
- practical strategies to keep children safe, including how to build their self esteem and resilience.

VENUE: Pullman Brisbane King George Square

DATE: Monday, 9 March 2015

TIME: 9.30am (for a 10.00am start) – 2.00pm

COST: \$60 (includes light morning tea on arrival and hot buffet lunch)

BOOKINGS: <http://www.trybooking.com/GRXD>

FURTHER INFORMATION: Kim Jackson via e: admin@childsafety.org.au or m: 0423 532 868

As highlighted in United Nations report, *Women's and Children's Rights: Making the Connection*, the lives of women and children are tightly knit, as are their rights. Advocating for women's rights has been essential to advancing the situation of women worldwide. The same holds true for the promotion of children's rights and improvements in their ability to survive and thrive. However, if the rights of women and children are considered together, they can reinforce each other and make mutually supportive demands on society.

The event presents a valuable professional development opportunity for police, social workers, educators, youth workers, chaplains, guidance officers, parents, carers, grandparents and anyone with an interest in keeping children safe.



GIRL GUIDES
A U S T R A L I A
Q U E E N S L A N D

Sherwood Girl Guides

Meeting Monday afternoons during
school terms from 5.30pm - 7.30pm

44 Thallon Street Sherwood

Ages 10 (grade 5) and upwards
Guide Leaders (or those interested in becoming
one) also more than welcome.

Contact Kate Crawford on 0402 064 779

Young Athletes 4 Life!

At Corinda State High School!

IT'S FUN!

Young Athletes 4 Life programme seeks to introduce children aged 8-12 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 School
Address: 46 Pratten Street, Corinda.
Day: Every Tuesday
Dates: Every Tuesday in term 1.
Time: 3.30 – 4.30 pm.
Cost: \$5.00 per session

TO REGISTER CALL
Grant
0410 64 61 22
Between 7-8:30 am
4-6 pm



Refresh your stash Mega Craft Garage Sale – 21st February, 2015

Renew, reduce, or replenish your craft stash at Refresh Your Stash - sewing, quilting, scrapbooking, cardmaking, vintage, retro and more!

Where: Sherwood Uniting Church, cnr Thallon St and Sherwood Rd.

When: 8 am – 1pm, Saturday 21st February 2015

Sellers: Get in fast to book your space. To enquire about booking, email: refreshyourstash@gmail.com and one of our team will get back to you with more details. Table spaces are \$20; the venue is under cover so the event will proceed rain hail or shine.

Wanting to help on the day, donate craft materials, or advertise your local craft group or upcoming event– we'd love to hear from you. Proceeds from the event will be used to help others to learn a skill or earn an income.

Find out the latest on our Facebook page, which we will be updating with more information about the event and a taster of some of the great supplies on sale.

Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/refreshyourstash

Email: refreshyourstash@gmail.com

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.

Art Classes for Children & Adults (Room 68 – Prep Building)

Mon/Wed/Thu 3.15pm-4.15pm

Telephone Kim Woolley 3379 6585

Ceramics Sculpting 3D Design (Room 15)

Wednesday 3.00-3.45pm

Telephone Hugo Vesara on 3715 6069 or Mobile 0401 911 475

Computer Junior Engineers (Computer Lab)

Tues 3.30-4.15pm

Telephone Leigh: 0488 411 206

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 3.30-7.30pm

Telephone Belinda 32736367

Go Sports (Oval) – 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)

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

Korean Language School (Old Hall)

Saturdays 9-1pm

Telephone Joung 0431 177706

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

Mon and Fri 8.00-9.00am

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 3pm & Thu 7.15am

Telephone Liz Young 0417 922 508