FORTHCOMING EVENTS

MAR

Fri 6   Kids Lit Quiz - Bulimba State School (8.00am - 1.30pm)
Tue 17  Adopt-a-Cop visit for Yr 6 (Old Hall) (2.30-3.00pm)
Tue 17  Westcent Auditions (Times TBC)
Wed 18  Westcent Auditions (Times TBC)
Wed 18  Living History Incursion Yr 6 (All Day - New Hall)
Wed 18-Thu 26 Parent/Teacher Interviews (before and after school)
Mon 23  Year 3 Swimming Carnival (12.00pm-3.00pm)
Mon 23  Tuckshop AGM (2.30pm in the Tuckshop)
Wed 25  Senior Swimming Carnival (9.00am-3.00pm)
Mon 30  P&C AGM (7.30pm-Staff Room)
Tue 31  Yr 2 Reverse Garbage Workshop

APR

Thu 2   Final Day Term 1
Mon 20  First Day Term 2
Mon 27  P&C Meeting (7.30pm-Staff Room)
Tue 28  Interhouse Cross Country (Yr 4, 5 & 6) (9.00am-1.30pm)
Tue 28  Adopt-a-Cop Year 2 visit (Old Hall) (2.30-3.00pm)
Wed 29  Oxley Road Musicfest (Corinda SHS) (9.00am-3.00pm)

MAY

Mon 4   Junior Strings Workshop Year 3 All Day (New Hall)
Wed 6   WTB District Cross Country (after school carnival) (location TBC)
Thu 7   “Lights, Camera, Action” – Yr 5 & 6 Instrumental Students at Southbank
      Tue 12 – Thu 14 NAPLAN
    Tue 19  Adopt-a-Cop Yr 5 visit (Old Hall) (2.30-3.00pm)
    Mon 25  P&C Meeting (7.30pm-Staff Room)

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.
Our P&C AGM will be held on Monday 30 March at 7:30pm in the Staff Room. I am very pleased that many of our Executive will re-nominate for their positions. I understand that the Secretary position will be vacated and already I have received an expression of interest in this position. It would be good to have both a Correspondence Secretary and a Minutes Secretary – anyone interested in finding out more please feel free to contact me.

I have had a working parent let me know that it is hard to attend Parade in the afternoons. Our reason for shifting Parade to the afternoon session is to allow prime teaching time, the first 2 hours of school each morning, to be focused on our priorities for literacy and numeracy. Finding the balance between competing interests can be a challenge at times. Parental involvement in the school is vitally important, and something I highly value. However I am also proud of my teaching staff for advocating so strongly that we prioritise learning.

This week I will be attending a workshop with Lyn Sharratt who is internationally recognised for her work in education – particularly in the area of using data to target effective teaching. Accompanying me from Sherwood will be Mr Cameron, Ms Clowes, Ms Casperson and Ms Hayler. They are all members of our Strategic Leadership Team, along with Ms Chesters. Our focus on the day will be to better understand our school reading data so that we can target our effective teaching to meet different student needs. We have already been working on this but have signed up to work with a group of 19 schools in our Region, guided by Lyn Sharratt, to build what we know and how we deliver the best reading opportunities for the full range of students. The Project will run over several months and required us to implement new strategies based on what we learn through our data analysis. I will keep you informed of our progress.

I attended the Principals’ Conference last Thursday and Friday (and thankfully did not get sick!!). I am not really out of school often, and prefer to be here working to help where I can. However whenever I do attend something like this I try hard to work out what it means for our school and at this conference I did bring back some very useful ideas. One of these was the importance of high quality one-on-one adult interactions with young students. We know how important this is, I hope you set aside time to read regularly with young children, and also set aside generous time regularly to talk with them. The evidence is clear about how much this helps a developing mind.

Our Skill Streaming lesson this week is Following Instructions
1. Listen carefully to the instructions.
2. Ask questions about anything you don’t understand.
3. Repeat the instructions to the person (or to yourself).
4. Follow the instructions.

Being an effective listener is a skill we can develop – what a difference a good listener makes each day.

Good luck to our Interschool Sports teams in Year 5 and 6 for their first games this Friday!

MUSIC MESSAGES
Rebecca Starr

Classroom Music

The Year 6 classes stood out this week with some very effective part-work using the traditional North American folksong The Canoe Song. Their knowledge of their song Sea Shell and their ability to confidently write it on the staff must mean they have been revising their songs for homework, which is excellent!

Choir

The choirs are happily rehearsing in the mornings and are sounding wonderful. La Bella Voci and Cantori are preparing songs to be sung at the Anzac Ceremony next term. We have decided to approach the performance as a reflection on the fact that, at one time, all Anzacs were children themselves, with parents who loved them. We would like to remind all that anyone serving their country began their journey as children just like our choristers, and that every life is precious.

Instrumental Music

Some students are currently preparing for auditions for Westcent Camp. This is sometimes a time when students face disappointment if they are not chosen to audition. Please take the time to help them understand the factors involved in a large inter-school undertaking such as Westcent. It is a highly competitive auditioning process that the children undertake
with hundreds of children vying for places in the camps. Sometimes the teachers feel it is an experience that will be less positive for those not prepared for that level of performance. The skills required for the Westcent Camp auditions are learnt gradually from the moment the students begin in our programs so, for all our new Instrumental students, now is the time to work hard on your new skills so that when you are finally old enough to audition, you are so well prepared the audition is easy.

Recorder Group

Our fab new recorder group came together this week to have a chat about rehearsals on Tuesdays. There are some seriously excited recorder monkeys in that group so we are looking forward to their first performance opportunity. Recorders have been ordered for those that need them and should arrive this week so that we can start rehearsing next Tuesday. We have had a chat about expectations and suggested all loud, obnoxious, squeaking noises are to be confined to the centre of the oval when NOBODY IS AROUND.

BOOK CLUB

A reminder that all Book Club orders are due by Friday, 13 March. There is now a new system for parents to order Book Club.

LOOP is the NEW Scholastic Book Clubs Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for Parents.

If you want to pay by credit card for your online Book Club order, our new platform makes it easy! It eliminates the need for paper order forms plus your online order is submitted to the school safe and sound.

Log-in to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download our NEW iPhone and iPad app from the App Store!

- For a quick start, just click on ORDER in the top menu or REGISTER first to save your details for next time
- Select your school and your child’s class
- Add your child’s first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
- Enter the item number from the Book Club brochure
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child’s classroom if you order by the close date
- There’s no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school!

For a quick how-to-order video, log-in to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP and click on HELP in the top menu.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Contact Details: Leanne Davey, Coordinator, 3278 1658

Hi Sherwood Families

Our Vacation Care Program will be distributed tomorrow, Friday 6th March. We will email these to Sherwood OSHC Families and also have them available on our website at www.sherwoodoshc.com.au from this same date. Vacation Care will commence on Tuesday 7th April and will run until Friday 17th April. Parents/Guardians will have until Friday 27th March to book their 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. Your child/ren must be enrolled with Sherwood OSHC before attending Vacation Care. The appropriate forms can be found on our website. 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.

Our fortnightly statements for this week have been emailed. This Friday, 6th March, 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

Next week, Wednesday the 11 March, the uniform shop will be closed in the afternoon but will be open in the morning instead from 8-9:30am. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. Plenty of second hand clothes still available. Senior shirts will be coming home this week.

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

Did you know our flavoured mineral water now has 70% less sugar? Our Quench drinks are carbonated mineral water with fruit juices added, a refreshing way to hydrate on a hot day now with a lot less sugar. Our frozen fruit range is a healthy, chilling alternative to icypoles, these include frozen orange slices, frozen pineapple slices and frozen fruit surprise mini cups, containing fruit of the day!

Tuckshop committee AGM will be held 23 March in the tuckshop at 2.30pm. New members are welcome to attend and positions on the committee executive will be open for re-election.

SHERWOOD SHARKS

Date claimers

Oxley Cup   8 March
Club Championships 22 March
Break up and presentation night 27 March
AGM 1 June

Oxley Club – This Sunday – 8th March 2015

The Sherwood Sharks team has been selected and notified by Coach Kendal. All swimmers need to confirm their intended attendance with Coach Kendall.

Location: Graceville State School pool
Gates open: 12 noon and warm up 1230pm and racing starts 1:00pm. We are hopeful to finish no later than 5:00pm.
Cost: Children and swimmers free. $2 entry for spectators. $2 programs.
Uniform: Please wear red Sharks caps.
Canteen will be provided.

Committee Members needed – NOW

At the end of this season our President Yasmin Kennedy, our Secretary Helen King and our swim class/squad coordinator, Vanessa Raymond are retiring from the committee after many years of supporting the club. 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

We are having our AGM on Monday the 1st of June 2015. If you are interested in volunteering as a committee member please contact one of our members prior to this date so we can confirm that we will have a committee to proceed into the season. Without a committee there is no club. Without a club you will need to pay commercial swimming instruction rates (approximately 2 to 3 times more than Sherwood Sharks fees) and travel to a different swimming pool, away from our school.

Friday Club Night

Last Friday night club night we were back to good weather and great social competition. We had tremendous helpers on the BBQ, in the canteen and as time keepers. There were a couple of new faces, who were greatly appreciated but the usual suspects were there in abundance. If you have not volunteered before, please do so this Friday evening. We look forward to seeing you all again on the pool deck this Friday.
Registration and start times: 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.

Schedule and results: We use the app, Meet Mobile, to publish our upcoming races for club night and allow paper-free access to race results and times. Unfortunately the app developer is now charging users for access. The charge is $7.49 for a year or $2.49 per month. 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.

**Friday Afternoon Skills Clinics – Term 1, 2015**

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

- 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**

**Club Championships – Sunday 22 March**

As a member of the Sherwood Sharks Swimming Club swimmers are invited to nominate for swimming at Club Championships. To be eligible to swim at club championships swimmers must be a financial member and have swum at club nights during the season, that is, over 4th term 2014 and 1st term 2015.

Children 9 years of age and above must nominate for at least 4 events to be eligible for club championship results. This age group will be swimming 50 metre events and above.

Children 8 years and under are encouraged to nominate for as many strokes as possible. This age group will be swimming 25 metre events.

All those who nominate, regardless of placing, will receive a participation medal on presentation day.

Please fill out the nomination form that is available on the website and give it to Coach Kendall or bring it to club on Friday 13th March.

NO nominations will be accepted after the 20th March.

Nominations will not be accepted on championship day.

**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)*

**Corinda Christian Kindy** - Entertainment books can be purchased ($65) at Corinda Christian Kindy, phone Dianne 3379 6527. Corinda Christian Kindy has vacancies for 2015, health cards welcomed, please phone 3379 6527.
Indro Impresses at Qld Schools' Constitutional Convention

The successful Indooroopilly State High School Team for the 2015 Queensland Schools' Constitutional Convention held at the Parliamentary Annexe on Tuesday 17 February was current Year 11 students Bertrand Dungan, Jaya Fisher-Smith, Tyra Steinkohl-Andrade and Isabel Kennedy.

Jaya Fisher-Smith has achieved the outstanding feat of being selected as one of four Brisbane students elected as a Queensland delegate to the National Schools' Constitutional Convention to be held in Canberra at the end of March. Congratulations Jaya, Bertrand, Tyra and Isabel as this was the result of a collaborative team effort. The purpose of the convention is to provide students with the opportunity to deepen their knowledge about the importance and role of the Australian Constitution in the lives of all Australians. Both state and private schools in the Brisbane metropolitan area are invited to send teams. This year's delegates addressed the topic: Should the state governments be abolished in order to create a two tier government system? Each school team was represented by a speaker who presented a two minute speech on the topic.

Throughout the day, students listened to keynote speakers, such as the Hon. Lord Mayor, Graham Quirk, State Member for Everton, Mr Tim Mander; Griffith University Lecturer, Dr Paul Williams and QUT Lecturer in Constitutional Law, Mr Peter Black.

In achieving this great outcome, Jaya is following in the footsteps of current Year 12 student, Frances Watt, who was selected for the National Convention last year.

For more student news or to receive the school newsletter please go to www.indooroopils.qld.edu.au

Lois O'Reilly
Principal, Indooroopilly State High School
SHERWOOD ARBORETUM JUNIOR FUN RUN - Win prizes in the Sherwood Arboretum Junior Fun Run - Saturday 21 March - One of our most popular local parks, the heritage-listed Sherwood Arboretum, beside the river at Jolimont Street, will celebrate its 90th anniversary on Saturday 21 March. Sherwood students have a wonderful opportunity to win prizes from The Athlete’s Foot stores at Indooroopilly and Mount Ommaney, with a Junior Fun Run starting at 8.30am. Entry in the 1 km Fun Run is FREE and open to students 12 years and under. Please register now by sending a short ‘Fun Run’ email to info@sherwoodarboretum.com.au. Families are invited to attend a brief 90th anniversary ceremony, including the presentation of Fun Run prizes, with the Brisbane Lord Mayor, Cr Graham Quirk and guests at 9am. The celebration includes the planting of a 90th anniversary grove and a Queensland Kauri in the Arboretum’s historic avenue. The Friends of Sherwood Arboretum Association will hold a fund-raising barbecue for all guests at 9.30am. Brisbane City Council, the Oxley-Chelmer History Group and Sherwood Forest Runners are supporting this historic celebration. On 21 March 1925, Sherwood Arboretum led the way as Brisbane’s first arboretum solely for Australian native trees.
Chelmer Station Community Kindergarten is currently taking final enrolments for 2015.

Be part of a responsive Pre-Prep program delivered by experienced and qualified early childhood teachers who forge interactive relationships with the local community to shape the daily learning experiences of the children.

Phone: (07) 3278 1327
Email: admin@chelmerstationkindy.com.au

Girls Play AFL Too at the Sherwood Magpies and they want you!

Looking to field an Under 13's, Under 17's Youth Girls & Open Women's team in 2015!

Trainings
Training nights TBA
Sherwood JAFG, Chelmer Street East, Chelmer
contact club for more information

For more information
call 0418 172 326
or
sherwoodjuniors@afibj.com
Learn about Your World

Volunteer to host an international high school student in July 2015 like Nele, who is 15, is outgoing and positive and who likes being involved in her community. Together with her school-mates, she had organised a fundraiser effort involving participation in a 300-km hiking trail into the Black Forest. Besides playing the piano and saxophone in a band, she also performs in street festivals and helps out at the farmers’ market. Prepare to be amazed at the way this unique and rewarding opportunity helps your family to become closer, to understand themselves better and to see the world in a new light.

Students arrive in July 2015 for one term, one or two semesters from France, Italy, Germany, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland and Spain all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit our website www.scce.com.au, email us at scce@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501.

*Photo of overseas student

Season Launch
Family Fun Day

Sunday 22nd March 12pm
41 Chelmer Street East, Chelmer QLD 4068

Featuring Mac Trucks

Lions Players
Live Music
Footy Clinics
Rides
Deckchair Sunday

The Mighty Magpies
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 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