



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

APR	
Thu 30	Interhouse Cross Country (Yr 4, 5 & 6) POSTPONED TO MONDAY 4 MAY
MAY	
Fri 1	FETE RAFFLE TICKETS DUE BACK
Mon 4	Junior Strings Workshop Year 3 All Day (New Hall)
Wed 6	WTB District Cross Country (after school carnival) (location TBC)
Wed 6	Free Dress Day (bring a block of chocolate <u>OR</u> gold coin donation)
Thu 7	"Lights, Camera, Action" – Yr 5 & 6 Instrumental Students at Southbank
Sat 9	Sherwood School Fete
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)
Wed 27	Yr 5 Planetarium Excursion
JUN	
Mon 1 – Fri 5	Westcent Music Camp
Wed 3	ICAS Science Competition (9.00-11.00am – New Hall)
Tue 23	Strings Cushion Concert (New Hall) (6.00-8.00pm)
Fri 26	Final Day Term 2
2015 SCHOOL TERMS	
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

Fete Reminders:

- Please return your Raffle Tickets as soon as possible – they are due back at the Office on Friday 1 May
- The Free Clothes Day is Wednesday 6 May and students can bring either a large block of chocolate (or a gold coin donation) to help with the chocolate drop
- Men (maybe with big hammers and trolleys – although not obligatory) are needed on FRIDAY, 8 May at 6am on the Senior Oval – if we have many helpers the work is mostly done in an hour – please come! We erect the marques and pop-up tents and need helpers.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no Working Bee on Saturday 2 May to tidy/clean items for the Fete, although the jam stall is still holding a jam making session in the Old Hall at 1.30pm on that day.

School Community partnerships are vitally important to our school success. Reading Improvement is our number one priority for 2015. We are working hard to ensure student reading performance continues to improve. The practices in place include setting of performance targets for reading which stretch our current strong performance, implementing a range of evidence based reading strategies across every classroom, building the consistency of best practices from one classroom to the next, providing a range of professional learning for teachers and aides, identifying students who need additional support and extending our strongest readers.

School community partnerships are also important. Often I provide important suggestions and information in the school Newsletter. In addition, we send home Newsletters each term to keep parents informed about what is happening in the classroom, have implemented the Ready Reader support programs, welcome parent helpers into the classroom, draw on funds from the P&C for resources to support literacy, hold a range of parent/teacher meetings through the year, load important information onto our website and work closely with a number of community organisations to support individual students.

I welcome your suggestions to extend the effectiveness of our school/community partnerships.

One key to reading success is the volume of reading students do in their own time including at home. How do you promote reading in your home? Do you make it important in the eyes of your child/ren? Do they see you reading for enjoyment?

The Skill Streaming lesson for this week is **Beginning a Conversation**

1. Choose the person with whom you want to talk.
2. Decide what you want to say.
3. Choose a good time and place.
4. Start talking in a friendly way.

Initiating a conversation is such an important life skill. Please talk about this with your child/ren.

If your child has brought any items of clothing home in recent weeks that does not belong to them, please check if there is a name written in the items and return them to school to be passed back to the right owner.

2015 OPTI-MINDS CHALLENGE

Tracey Morgan (Opti-Minds Co-ordinator)

In a world where the "facts" change daily, we need to change our thinking!

Opti-Minds is the **Process of Change**..... Opti-Minds is a process of **Prevention**, rather than damage control. It instils a **Proactive** mindset of:

- Capability – "Can do!"
- Responsibility - "If not me – then who?"
- Creativity and Innovation, and
- Unashamed Excellence

The Opti-Minds Challenge gives students the opportunity to participate in creative activities and encounter open-ended Challenges, which demand experimentation and foster divergent thinking. The Opti-Minds Challenge looks beyond simple academic achievement to reward the pursuit of excellence.

Teams of five to seven students from differing year levels develop solutions to a challenge over a six-week period. The Challenge is selected from one of three Categories: Language Literature, Science Engineering and Social Sciences.

Each year, approximately 700 teams from 14 regions around Queensland present their solutions at the Regional Events. They are also challenged further by being judged on their responses to a common Spontaneous Challenge.

The team presentations are judged by a panel consisting of educators, members of the scientific and commercial sectors, cultural organisations and representatives of the wider community.

Sherwood State School has participated in the Brisbane West Regional Opti-Minds Challenge for over 20 years and has represented our region at State Championships with great success. Over the years the performances of the Sherwood Opti-Minds teams have been outstanding and the experience gained by our students is invaluable for their future growth and development.

We are currently inviting students from Year 4, 5, and 6 to nominate for participation in the 2015 Opti-Minds Challenge which will be held on Sunday 23 August at St Peter's Lutheran College, Indooroopilly. To be selected for Opti-Minds, students must fulfil certain selection criteria and participate in an "audition style" process.

Students who are dynamic, dramatic, creative, co-operative and love solving problems are encouraged to nominate. Nomination forms are available from Ms Tracey Morgan (4M) and nominations will close on Friday 8 May.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC AT THE FETE

Performance times in the Hall

8.30am Beginner Strings - year 3 & 4 students - group E, F, G on the timetable

8.45am Senior Band

9.00 am Sinfonia

Each group is only playing in a couple of songs and can leave after they play.

Students will wear PLAIN CLOTHES this year - no need for uniforms!! If you need to run off to another activity they can wear what is needed for this. Please try to look as neat as possible as it is still a performance!

Cantori & La Bella Choirs will also be singing. Also plain clothes.

10.30am Cantori

10.45am La Bella Voci

Please make every effort to be at the fete as it really impacts the ensembles if you are missing. Students will need to arrive 20-30mins before their performance for tuning and set up and then will perform a couple of short songs and can leave immediately after if they are no longer needed.

LIBRARY NEWS

Ann Cross, Teacher-Librarian

Reminder - All overdue library books from before the holidays should have been returned to the school by Friday 24th April. Please return any outstanding books as soon as possible. If a book has been misplaced, please contact the library so that a check of the library shelves and classroom can be undertaken.

Books can be borrowed for up to two weeks. Students who have not finished their books are able to reborrow for a further two weeks.

All students are to have a library bag to ensure books are protected from lunch and drink bottles.

Did you know that May is National Family Reading Month?

THINKING CHALLENGE

Thinking Challenge

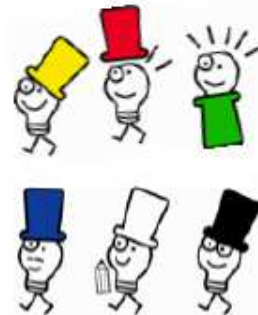
Week 2 Term 2

Prep - Year 3

Thinking Hats

Use the Thinking Hats to reflect on your holidays:

- Yellow Hat:** What was good? What did you like? What was positive?
- Black Hat:** What was one thing you didn't enjoy about your holiday?
- Green Hat:** How would you have made your holidays better? (new ideas)



Year 4 - Year 6

Alphabet Key

Use the Alphabet Key to alphabetise your holidays.

Think of something you did, saw, ate or played during your holidays to fill in every letter of the alphabet.

For example,

A - Acrobat school	F- Fishing
B- Big Banana	G-Golf
C- Car trip	...
D- Dreamworld	Y- Yummy treats
E- Easter Eggs	Z- Zoo Keeper (for a day)

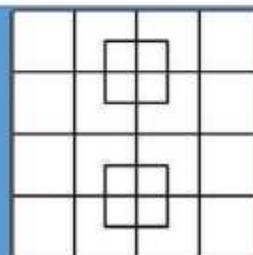
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Anagrams

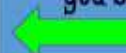
L I B N K

T Y M P E

O S R S C



How many squares can you see?



A man transports a fox, a duck and corn in a boat. The boat is only capable of transporting himself and one of the other three with each crossing.

Question:

How did he succeed in crossing them all without letting the fox eat the duck or the duck eat the corn?

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Contact Details: *Leanne Davey, Coordinator, 3278 1658*

Hi Sherwood Families

School Fete – Be sure to look out for us at the upcoming school fete. We will be raffling some free passes to attend Before School Care, After School Care and Vacation Care throughout the day. If you have thought of sending your children to us but have not had the opportunity to do so, please come and visit us at the fete. We will be at the raffle stall most of the day and our staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have about Outside School Hours Care.

Please Note – As we have not been approved to extend our licenced numbers yet, could parents/guardians please be mindful that we are not able to accept children into a session without a booking. If you would like your child to attend, please call us beforehand to see if there are any places available. This is to avoid being turned away as we will unfortunately have to do this in future to any families just turning up without a booking. I apologise but we need to abide by regulations concerning this matter.

Staff – Unfortunately, we are about to lose two staff members who have been at Sherwood OSHC for a considerable amount of time. Eva is going to perform duties at a law firm which will help further her studies in this area. Emily is an occupational therapist and has found full-time employment in her area of expertise. Both these staff members will be missed as the children at Sherwood OSHC know them quite well and they have been an intricate part of the student's advancement whilst at the centre. We are keen to employ some experienced staff or parents/friends of the school who would like to aid in the development of our OSHC children. Please be encouraged to send in a resume to me at sherwoodoshc@gmail.com and I will be in touch. If you have a Certificate III in a relevant course, this would be an advantage but is certainly not necessary. Thanks very much.

Statements – Please note that families who choose to pay their statements each term will have their payments withdrawn for term 2 on Friday 15th May. Please contact us if you need to change this date. Our fortnightly statements for this week have been emailed. This Friday, 1st May, 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

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Cathie Perkins, Tuckshop Convenor, 3379 3881

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (Closed Monday & Tuesday)

Our new winter menu starts this week with a number of homemade new items available. Some of these are GF and some Vegetarian. Check with me if you need dairy free as we can probably accommodate this also.

Pizza's are available for second break only. Medium ones are a 6 inch base and small are made on an english muffin half. They are served whole and due to time constraints it is not possible to cut them. They are a very simple tomato based sauce topped with cheese.

Our homebake is still in hot demand and I would love to hear from a few new bakers, you only need bake twice a term, it's really not hard at all, please let me know if you can help in this way.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

(For detailed information see the noticeboard at the office)

PLAY BEAUTIFUL FOOTBALL ACADEMY - AFTER SCHOOL SOCCER THIS WEDNESDAY!

Your child is invited to experience the thrill of After School Soccer at our **free taster session!**

No need to pre-register, just meet on the oval at 3pm after school and play.

Pick up is at 4.15pm from the oval or we can supervise players back to OSHC.

Cost: Free! Usually \$19 per session

When: Wednesday 6th May (Week 3), and Wednesday the 13th May (Week 4)

Time: 3.00-4.15pm

Age: 5-8 years

Where: Meet on the oval. Look for coaches in orange shirts!

Coaches: Play Beautiful Football Academy (orange shirts)



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Kindergarten Inc.**

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PLACES AVAILABLE FOR 2015

A vacancy exists in group 2 (Thursday, Friday and alternating Wednesdays) for an eligible age child (born 1/7/10-31/7/11) to commence at the start of term 2. If you are interested, please contact the Kindy on 3379 4193 or email reception@sherwoodkindy.com.au.

Preference will be given to children not currently enrolled in a Kindergarten program. Please see our website www.sherwoodkindy.com.au for further details.



Looking for a worthwhile but
inexpensive activity for your
children every Friday?

Tots 'n' Tunes

A music and movement class for toddlers and preschoolers.
Fridays at 9.45am (except school holidays)
10 Bank Road, Graceville



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A morning of singing and
music and making friends



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Tots 'n' Tunes - Graceville

Mums, Dads, Grandparents or Carers are all welcome. We meet at Graceville Presbyterian Church, 10 Bank Rd (behind regal cinema). **Cost: \$2 for 1 child, \$4 for 2 children or more.** (Includes morning tea for adults and children)

For more information phone Angela on 0413 244 489

Sharpen and develop an appreciation for:



<http://www.facebook.com/gracevillepc>



WEEKEND WORKSHOPS

The White Bear Foundation is dedicated to providing innovative programs for children. The weekend workshop includes:

- SELF-ESTEEM AWARENESS ACTIVITIES
- CONFIDENCE BUILDING GAMES
- COMMUNICATION AND LEADERSHIP SKILL SESSIONS
- LESSONS IN LIFE SKILLS

Through play, fun, and educational games, the workshop aims to build the self-esteem and confidence of pre-teenage children.

The workshops are held in a supportive and safe environment and provide young people with the self-management tools to deal with the ups and downs of school years, and beyond. The results are tangible and children leave feeling happy, fulfilled and positive about themselves.

Maria Bach, the presenter and facilitator of the workshops is assisted by dedicated and accomplished colleagues.

With over 35 years of experience, Maria's expertise lies in professional development, leadership and personal coaching.

As a parent, Maria believes it is vital for effective communication and support to begin at home and in the community. For further information on the foundation's workshop please visit:

<http://whitebearfoundation.com.au/workshops>

“ IT TAKES A VILLAGE
TO RAISE A CHILD ”

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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 2.
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

INDOOROOPILLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

A community of forward thinkers ▶▶

INDRO TOURS

✓ Receive information ✓ Talk to students and teachers ✓ See our school in action

WHEN: Monday 16 March 9.30am-11.00am

Tuesday 26 May 1.30pm-3.00pm

WHERE: The Peter Doherty Theatre (car parking available at Ward Street entrance)

YEAR 7 SPECIAL PROGRAMS EVENING

Come along and receive in-depth information about our innovative Year 7 programs: Maths and Engineering Acceleration, Spanish Immersion, Chinese Acceleration and Arts XLR8. Talk with current students and parents about their experiences.

WHEN: Monday 23 March 6.00pm-7.30pm

Tuesday 2 June 6.00pm-7.30pm

WHERE: The Peter Doherty Theatre (car parking available at Ward Street entrance)



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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 Adrian Knack 0402 126 300 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