



# 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](mailto:newsletter@sherwoodss.eq.edu.au). Late articles will appear in the following week's newsletter.*

## No. 24

## 6 August 2015

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

<u>AUG</u>	
Thu 6	School Photo Day
Tue 11	ICAS Maths Competition (9.00-11.00am – New Hall)
Tue 11	ICAS Science Certificates presented on Parade (2.00pm-New Hall)
Wed 12	Exhibition Public Holiday
Thu 20	Junior Athletics Carnival (Prep-Yr 3) (9.00am-1.30pm)
Thu 20	Yr 5 Gold Rush Excursion
Sun 23	Opti-Minds Challenge at St Peter's College Indooroopilly (8.00am-4.00pm)
Mon 24 – Thu 27	Yr 6 Camp to Tallebudgera
Thu 27	Yr 2 Lone Pine Excursion
Mon 31	Australian Girls Choir Visit (11.00-11.45am – Music Room)
Mon 31	P&C Meeting (7.30pm-Staff Room)
<u>SEP</u>	
Fri 11	School Disco (Old Hall) (4.00-5.30pm – P-Yr 3)
Fri 11	School Disco (Old Hall) (6.00-7.30pm – Yr 4-Yr 6)
Fri 18	Yr 1 Planetarium & Botanical Garden Excursion
Fri 18	Final Day Term 3
<u>OCT</u>	
Mon 5	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tues 6	First Day Term 4
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	

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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

*Dr Greg Nelson*

Email: [gnels5@eq.edu.au](mailto:gnels5@eq.edu.au)

This week we will receive the first set of NAPLAN data giving an overview of school performance – I will share highlights with you next week. Some schools focus too much on NAPLAN in my opinion, even to the extent of teaching towards NAPLAN achievement rather than aligning the school's curriculum with the National Curriculum and ensuring long term best teaching practices are evident in every classroom. I deeply care about the academic performance of our students and that includes the NAPLAN results, but our teaching and learning are also informed by the extensive diagnostic testing and year level assessments that occur through the year. At Sherwood we are focussed on long-term lifelong learning success of our students.

**The Gradual Release of Responsibility model for teaching** is a highly successful evidence-based approach to teaching that we are building expertise with across the school in all classrooms. Below I will attempt to provide you with a summary of the model (a challenge for my ability to write succinctly!). The version of the Gradual Release of Responsibility we are adopting at Sherwood is described by Fisher and Frey (2014) in *Better Learning Through Structured Teaching*. The model has four steps:

**I do: Focussed instruction.** In this phase the teacher is providing new information to students. The teacher ensures students understand the PURPOSE of the lesson – why it is important to learn this new skill, information, knowledge. The teacher MODELS what students are to do when it is their turn, and also uses THINK ALOUDS to give students an opportunity to understand what the teacher is thinking about when they are undertaking the activity eg. "Hmm, when I do a problem like this I know I'll use a strategy I've used before ..." The teacher is also being especially diligent to notice the level of student engagement and adjust what they do accordingly.

**We do: Guided instruction.** The next phase is when the teacher works interactively with students to build their knowledge of the lesson. In this phase they go back to the lesson material but actively engage students in two-way communication using great questioning skills, and providing students with prompts and cues to guide their thinking.

**You do together: Collaborative Learning.** The third phase is organising students to learn collaboratively in productive group work. This phase is especially important in my view because so much of our adult lives are devoted to working in groups/teams but a lot of it with less than optimum results. At Sherwood we are actively teaching students how to work well in teams and there are a lot of skills and knowledge that our students will learn that will help them throughout their working lives. Certainly these skills will help them cope with the rigours of secondary schools where their ability to work well in teams is vital.

**You do independently: Independent learning.** The final phase is about teaching students how to work well independently. A key element of this phase is for students to receive high-quality feedback on the current quality of their work and more importantly, how to improve.

When you see our teachers working with students in the classroom you may observe them working in one or more of these phases. The model is one that teachers instinctively say, 'That's how I teach'. Our aim is to build on the natural approach to teaching by reflecting on how well we do each of the phases, and what more we can do to improve our core teaching approaches.

Our Skill Streaming lesson for this week is **Expressing Concern for Another**

1. Decide if someone is having a problem.
2. Think about your choices:
  - a) Say, "Can I help you?"
  - b) Do something nice for the person.
3. Act out your best choice.

If we all work at this together our school community will be a better place. Please take some time to talk about this at home.

THANK YOU to Belinda McKinnon, a Prep mum, who has volunteered to help keep our lost property area in a tidy and well-organised condition. What a star!!

## **HPE NEWS**

*Kathy Morgan, HPE Teacher*

### **WTB DISTRICT CARNIVAL**

Last Tuesday and Thursday we sent 41 talented students to the WTB District Carnival at the UQ Athletics Centre.

The students represented Sherwood and themselves exceptionally well. They looked very smart also in their new athletic shirts. Thank you to parents and grandparents for transporting the students to and from the venue. We sincerely appreciate your support with our athletics program. Thank you also to Mrs Rachel Peapell and Mrs Nicole Eaves for their fantastic assistance over the 2 days.

Congratulations to the following place getters: Jorja Toohey – 1st Discus; Baedan Conroy – 1st Discus; Tom Scott – 2nd Long Jump; Tom Lally – 3rd High Jump; Nic Bobbermien – 3rd Discus. Special mention also to the following students who placed in the top 5 in the field events finals: Halle Rood – Shot Put; Evie Pritchard – High Jump and Discus and Trista Barclay – Discus AND to CJ Barney and Rachel Moniz for making the FINALS in 100m and 200m events.

I will inform students who have made the WTB District team once this information is available.

## **SHERWOOD SHARKS**

We all love our Swim Club! It provides a valuable opportunity for our children to learn and participate in swimming, training and competitive racing...as well as providing a welcoming social environment! HOWEVER, our Swim Club can not operate without the support of our volunteers who facilitate the operation of the club. We have been on the hunt for a Treasurer for quite some time now and have been underwhelmed with the response. Please consider if you could help with this position! The Treasurer will be heavily supported by the school book keeper and members of the Committee. Unfortunately without this key position, it may be very difficult to sustain the running of the Sherwood Sharks this season. If you would consider taking on this position please email [president@sherwoodsharks.com](mailto:president@sherwoodsharks.com) and we can provide more information and answer any questions you may have.

## **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](mailto:asta.parker@bigpond.com)*

## **AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

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

Hi Sherwood Families

Just a quick update on the funds raised to help the Pyjama Foundation. We raised \$113.30 to donate to this worthwhile cause which assists children in Foster Care. Items donated for the Dept. of Child Safety added up to be well over \$200 worth. All money and items were given to each of these organisations yesterday. Thanks again, so much.

I would just like to take this time to recognise the support of the P&C Association as well as the OSHC Committee who grant us the freedom to function while constantly providing us valuable assistance to improve our facilities and equipment. We also reap the benefits of being able to use the tables and chairs funded by tuckshop during After School Care plus the Sherwood Sharks pool during Vacation Care. These are a couple of great examples of how Sherwood Committees pull together to help each other out and we really do appreciate this backing from the school community. Thanks!

Payments for upfront or term statements will be withdrawn on Friday 7th August for families choosing these types of accounts. Please contact us if this date does not suit and we will make alternative arrangements.

Statements – This Friday, 7th August, Fortnight A accounts will have been charged with payments withdrawn. If you have any queries or would like more information, please email [sherwoodshc@gmail.com](mailto:sherwoodshc@gmail.com), phone 3278 1658 or text 0428 023 832.

## **TUCKSHOP NEWS**

*Cathie Perkins, Tuckshop Convenor, 3379 3881*

*Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (Closed Monday & Tuesday)*

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY LEARNING DAY – ART** Corinda State High School Term 3 - This term we welcome back our incredible Artist in Residence – Wendy Winsley to assist in our 'Art in Print' workshop. Students will work collaboratively with Wendy to research and develop themed designs which they will use to develop lino carvings for print. The students will collate these creations into an exhibition for parents and friends at the completion of the two day course. Students take home all original prints and their own lino carving to continue their work at home. If you are interested in your child attending this incredible event, please email Erin Hudson, [echud0@eq.edu.au](mailto:echud0@eq.edu.au) for further details.

**WHY NOT BECOME A HOST FAMILY!!** We are seeking host families to accommodate students who are here to study and enjoy the Australian High School experience. Students require to be hosted for as short as one term or up to a year. The age group ranges from 15 years up to 18 years of age. Please ring International Student Care Australia (ISCA) on (07) 3851 0704 during business hours or you can email us at [isca@isca.net.au](mailto:isca@isca.net.au) for more information! Host families are reimbursed for accommodating these students.

### 2015 STEM Convention



Christopher, Edmund and James making Mobius Loops



Annalise and Emilia

On Friday 17 July, a selected group of Indooroopilly students was invited to the University of Queensland for an exciting opportunity to extend our knowledge on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) behind the 2015 STEM topic of 'light'. The STEM convention was a day in which a cohort of keen scientific minds, consisting of Years 6 to 9 were enabled to be 'inspired' in the hope of beginning their extended investigations. In small groups, the students were sent to two different workshops that individually looked at different applications of light. Some amazing workshops included using light to see inside the brain, investigating how our eyes work, learning about fluorescence in biomedical laboratories, medical research, insect development, laser lights and many more.

Undoubtedly, the university trip was a great success that enabled students to be inspired and motivated to continue their extended investigations. All groups will deliver their final presentations based on a specific category to a panel of judges consisting of expert scientists at the 2015 STEM Forum held at the Queensland Academy of Science, Mathematics and Technology on 17 September.

As Year 9 Maths Acceleration students we have some basic mathematical understanding and therefore have decided to enter our project into the mathematical category, which makes all projects have some relevance to mathematics and the STEM topic

of light. Our group has decided to determine how much salt (solute) when dissolved in water (solvent) is required to power a 5 Volt LED bulb. This project has both a mathematical aspect and a relevance to light, therefore fulfilling the criteria for the STEM Forum of 2015. Other investigations include an investigation into how to effectively power house lighting with the use of a combination of lenses and how to harness the power of the sun to design and create a water purifier.

Let the investigations begin!

**Emilia and Fahim**

For more student news or to receive the school newsletter please go to [www.indooroopshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.indooroopshs.eq.edu.au).

Lois O'Reilly  
Principal, Indooroopilly State High School

 **INDOOROOPILLY**  
STATE HIGH SCHOOL

WELCOME  
TO THE  
WORLD CLASS

OPEN DAY 6 AUGUST  
2:00PM-7:30PM

For further information please telephone 3327 8333  
or email [info@indooroopshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:info@indooroopshs.eq.edu.au)



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We acknowledge the wonderful humour of Michael Leunig to tell this story



**“Go outside and play.  
Be back by dark.”**

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2015, 7.30-  
9.30pm

A “cost free” community conversation that explores how living in a technologically driven world raises important questions for children, childhood, living, learning, imagination and creativity...

**Seeking a balance is our goal...**

**Invite your friends to come along and explore the possibilities.**

**SPEAKERS:**

**Mr Hyahno Moser:** Nature Play Queensland; **Dr Michelle Neumann:** Post Doctoral Fellow, Institute of Educational Studies, Griffith University; **Mr Norm Hunter:** Secondary School Educator and past principal, Hillbrook Anglican College.

**Location: TBA**

**RSVP:** by 18/08/2015 [admin@chelmerstationkindy.com](mailto:admin@chelmerstationkindy.com)



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# CHELMER STATION COMMUNITY KINDERGARTEN OPERATIONAL HOURS FOR 2016...

After overwhelming community feedback, Chelmer Station Community Kindergarten are thrilled to be offering new hours for 2016. We hope to provide a real alternative to the usual 5 day fortnight and give more families the opportunity to enjoy all that our inclusive, diverse community kindergarten can offer.

- The Little Red Caboose Group will attend Monday & Tuesday each week from 8.30am to 4.00pm.
- The Puffer Train Group will continue with a five day fortnight on Thursday, Friday and alternate Wednesdays 8.30am to 2.30pm.
- We are also hoping to offer a self-funded additional day per fortnight on the alternate Wednesday from 8.30am to 2.30pm (this will be subject to enough interest).
- Providing a set two day week, or the possibility of a set three day week, could give families with working parents or those juggling busy weekly commitments, the stability of a constant schedule.

In addition to this, we are excited to be making plans for a new Chelmer Station Kindy Playgroup, for parents and carers to enjoy with children who might be too young to join the kindergarten program. The playgroup aims to provide an opportunity for children to become familiar with the Chelmer Station Kindy environment, and to get to know the educators and their future classmates.

Chelmer Station Community Kindergarten will be hosting an Open Day in November. If you would like to enrol for 2016, add your child's name to our waitlist, or if you require any further information, please call 3278 1327 or visit [www.chelmerstationkindy.com.au](http://www.chelmerstationkindy.com.au)



*Jump on board and journey with us!*



## Positive Parenting for Communication to Children about Sexuality

Many parents recognize the lifelong benefits of communicating openly and honestly with their children about sexuality. However, parents are often unsure of when, what and how to talk to their children about sexuality. The Parenting and Family Support Centre (PFSC) at the University of Queensland and Family Planning Queensland (FPQ) Brisbane have collaborated to develop a brief group intervention program to help parents learn how to communicate more comfortably and effectively with their children about sexuality issues. If you are interested in receiving a complimentary workshop about ways to communicate positively with your child about sexuality, don't hesitate to visit our website at <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/childsexuality/>



For further information you can contact our project coordinator:  
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Parenting & Family Support Centre  
School of Psychology  
The University of Queensland  
**Phone:** (07) 3365 9186  
**Email:** [sarah.teo@uq.net.au](mailto:sarah.teo@uq.net.au)

**GO SPORTS** Come and join the fun or learn a new game!

NETBALL Commencing 7<sup>th</sup> August 7.50 – 8.35am

SOCCER Commencing 7<sup>th</sup> August 7.50 – 8.35am

To join go to Register online at [www.gosports.com.au](http://www.gosports.com.au)



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**Time to Play and Learn a New Game or just improve skills**  
 Join us for all the fun at **GO SPORTS**

	<u>Go Netball</u>	<u>Go Soccer</u>
Commencing :	7 <sup>th</sup> August	7 <sup>th</sup> August
Duration / Cost :	5 Weeks/\$85	5 Weeks/\$85
Time :	Friday 7.50 – 8.35am	Friday 7.50 – 8.35am
Grades :	1-4 (1-2,3-4)	Prep-3(P-1,2-3)
Venue :	School Netball Court	School Oval

\* All Preppies will be escorted to School after the class



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 SMS child's name, school, sport  
 and mobile number to 0417614509

**Payment :** Click on register online and select  
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**NETBALL !!!!**

Now for **Grade 1** in Term 3

**PRE PREP MULTI SPORTS :**

Classes for 3yrs to 5yrs (Weekdays)

\* Morning Classes in the  
 following areas :

Ascot, Bardon, Bulimba, Chapel Hill

Coorparoo, Taringa and Wilston

(Visit Website for Venues & Times  
 in your area )





## **ATHLETICS OPPORTUNITY**

### ***RUN, JUMP AND THROW***

**Toowong Harriers Little Athletics Centre, affiliated with Little Athletics Queensland, invites members of your school (ages 5 to 17) to sign on for the new season – October to March. There is one competition meet each week, and coaching is offered at competition meets and on Tuesdays. Sign on online, from home, OR between 1pm and 4.30pm, Saturdays 22nd August or 29th August at Jack Cook Park, Taringa (collecting your rego, uniform etc.). Please visit our website [www.toowong.littleathletics.org.au](http://www.toowong.littleathletics.org.au) for more information.**

Other Centres operating in the Western Suburbs include Centenary and Kenmore, both covered on our poster.



**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 0424 249 299 Email: [info@ddjperformingarts.com](mailto:info@ddjperformingarts.com)

**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.tska.com.au](http://www.tska.com.au) or

email [sandrews@tska.com.au](mailto:sandrews@tska.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