19 March 2014

Message from the Principal, Mrs Jody Stehbens

School Improvement Agenda

We are well underway with our literacy and numeracy programs. Intervention Groups are being run throughout the school for students who need support as well as students who need extension. Teachers and teacher aides are focusing on the teaching of reading to improve all students’ performance in that area. Some extension work is being done in Year 3 and 5 in numeracy and problem solving skills. All teachers and students are working very hard to improve student outcomes/ particularly in English and Maths.

Kruger State School Parents and Citizens

Last week our new P&C was elected. Congratulations to:

President - Chris Roberts, Vice Presidents - Allen Zahnow, and Tiu Taalolo, Secretary - Narelle Sander and Treasurer Steve Scott. This executive has some great ideas to support our school community in 2014. The P&C meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. I thank the 2013 P&C Executives for their efforts and contribution to the school community last year.

Leadership Training

Last Thursday, our School Captains, Sports Captains and Student Council Representatives participated in a full day of leadership training. The training was conducted by Michael Hamilton, our Year 6 teacher, and supported by Chappy Dave. Thank you to these staff members for their organisation and facilitation.

Car Park Safety

I am asking for the cooperation of those parents who use the bottom car park near our school hall. There are 2 areas to this car park: the parking area and the 1 minute stay in your car drop off area. These sections are clearly marked with signs. Some parents are causing a great deal of congestion and unnecessary stress to other parents by parking in the drop off area, rather than driving through and, if your child is not there, then driving out and coming around again. This driving behaviour is a safety risk to our students and I strongly urge you to obey the traffic signs. With the support of the P&C, I have contacted the Ipswich City Council (as it is regulated by them) and the local police to support us with the ongoing and difficult safety issue.

(As this newsletter is going to print, I have just been advised that the Ipswich City Council will be commencing enforcement of the regulated parking areas in the near future and traffic fines will apply for breaking parking rules by notice of the Ipswich City Council.)

Cross Country - Years 4-7

Our Senior Cross Country will be held on Friday 21st March from 8.30am. Everyone is welcome to come along and support the event.

Facilities

Recently we have had some of the carpet replaced in the classrooms. The painters are here painting some of the exterior of the buildings. Please take note the barriers and choose alternate walkways. I apologize for any inconvenience.

Great Whole School Parade

At our Whole School Parade last Friday, we were entertained by a number of Kruger students who composed and sang their own songs. They showed great talent and courage by performing in front of an audience of a 1,000 people. These compositions have been entered into a Music competition and we wish our students all the best. Thank you to Miss Mc Shane for your encouragement and teaching.

Focus on Kruger Says No To Bullying...On Friday 21st March 2014

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our school has registered to be a part of the National Day of Action Against Bullying. It’s a day where school communities across Australia “take a stand” against bullying.

By working together and highlighting our commitment to preventing bullying in our school, we are sending the message that bullying in or out of the school is not OK.

We are always working on improving our practices, lessons and high expectations in the areas of respect, reducing bystander behaviour, keeping problems small and students dealing with bullying behaviours towards them and others.

Please support us by:
Students will be encouraged to:
- Wear something orange
- Participate and get involved in bullying prevention lessons
- Assist Student Council Representatives in supporting the day
- Support the Tuckshop’s “Orange Day”

SO GET INVOLVED AND MAKE OUR STAND AGAINST BULLYING HEARD ACROSS OUR COMMUNITY!

Important Dates

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Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme 2014 - Prep to Year 7

Years P – 3 $100.00 per year
Years 4 – 7 $ 60.00 per year

The Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme forms have been sent out to parents. Please ensure the agreement form is completed, signed and return with a deposit to the School Office as soon as possible.

Please note: outstanding Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme funds must be fully paid to be eligible to participate in 2014.

Our Website www.krugerss.eq.edu.au has the Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme Forms for 2014 for you to access. Once you have entered the Website, select Support and resources (top far right), Forms and documents (Left), Documents (bottom left), Select Resource and textbook hire scheme documents (Yellow folder). Now you can select the appropriate year level form for 2014.

Centrelink Deductions for the Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme is now available. If you wish to participate, please complete a Centrelink Deduction form at the office and we will fax it directly to Centrelink.

We ask that the Centrelink Form be sent through our office to ensure that monies are correctly deducted from your account.

Please advise the office as soon as possible if you have already sent the form to Centrelink.

Physical Education 2014

Some provisional date claimers for the year are as follows:

Senior Cross Country (Year 4-7) – March 21st at Kruger State School

Central Districts Cross Country – May 2nd at Woodcrest College

Season 1 Sport (Girls and Boys Rugby League, Girls and Boy’ Soccer and Netball)

Gala Day 1 – May 30th, Gala Day 2- June 6 and Gala Day 3 – June 13th

Senior Athletics Carnival – June 18th - at Kruger State School

Season 2 Sport (Boys and Girls Basketball, Boys and Girls Touch and Boys and Girls AFL)

Week 1 – August 1st, Week 2 – August 8th, Week 3 – August 15th and Week 4 – August 22nd

Central District Athletics Carnival – August 4th and 5th

Season 3 Sport (Boys and Girls Tee-Ball, Boys and Girls Softball and Cricket)

Week 1 – October 17th, Week 2 – October 24th, – Week 3 – October 31st, Week 4 – November - 7th and Week 5 – November 14th

Junior (Prep – Year 3) Sports Day and Cross Country will be in Terms 3 and 4 respectively, with final dates to be arranged.

The Program for Cross Country on Friday the March 21st is as follows:

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Please note that these times are a rough guide, but we will try to adhere to them as much as possible.

As quotes for Mid-Year and Summer Sport are yet to be finalised, a rough guide to the costs are as follows:

Winter Gala Days will be $19.50, Mid-Year Sport @ $30 - $34 and Summer Sport @ $35 - $42.

To be eligible to represent our school in a sporting team, parents are reminded that a down payment for the Resource Scheme levy must be made prior to April 4th (Last Day of Term 1). All money for Winter Gala Days must be received before April the 4th also.

Students playing rugby league this year are advised that the safety guidelines recommend students wear a mouth guard while playing and training. We thoroughly recommend that these guidelines are followed for student safety. The school has a limited supply of mouth guards for sale if any student needs one. These can be purchased at the office for $5.00 WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

In physical education classes, students will be learning the following;

- Year 7 – European Handball, Golf, Badminton, Athletics, Volleyball and Softball
- Year 6 – Badminton, Golf, Lacrosse, Athletics, Volleyball and Softball
- Year 5 – Hockey, AFL, Basketball, Athletics, T-ball and Netball
- Year 4 – Hockey, Touch Rugby Union, Basketball, Athletics, T- Ball and Netball

I look forward to another very productive and rewarding year.

Yours in sport
Gavin McLeod

P&C & Tuckshop News

We have started off with creating a new Tuckshop Menu with some tasty new items e.g. Chicken Gravy Rolls, Fish Burgers...Yummo! Also, with some of the food items tasting so yummy, some of the prices have increased slightly but are still very affordable.

Please remember that if you have a large order, please supply two paper bags or you can purchase them from the Tuckshop for 10 cents each. All orders are to be placed before 9.30am.

If, for some reason, your child doesn’t have lunch, we will supply a sandwich with the following tasty spreads (Jam/

| 9.10 am | 11 year girls |
| 9.20 am | 11 year boys |
| 9.30 am | 10 year girls (including 10 year old Year 4s) |
| 9.40 am | 10 year boys (including 10 year old Year 4s) |
| 9.50 am | Year 4 girls (9 years old only) |
| 10.00 am | Year 4 Boys (9 years old only) |

Vegemite). The Tuckshop will then send an Invoice home for the value of $2.00.

Uniform Shop

Operating Hours

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3 month Lay-by Available (payable with small deposit) must be paid in full before uniforms are released.

Please Note: No uniforms will be sold in the mornings, so please don’t get upset when we refuse to serve you.

Math Books & Stationery Supplies

As we know our students love the subject Maths, we are catering for their love of this subject. We have a stock of 10mm grid books for the following Grade Levels 4-7, Price will be 70 cents each (cheaper than the Newsagents).

They will be in stock right through the year; also we will have the following in stock as well:

- Spare Pencils
- Rubbers
- Pencil Sharpeners

Fundraising

We are off and running with our First Fundraiser for the year.

That’s right, it’s the P & C MONSTER RAFFLE, so get your wallets out and support your children and the school. If we can sell all these raffle tickets, the school will make over $20,000.00, which will enhance your student’s education.

Please Note: These tickets are a legal document, which means they must all be accounted for, so please return all Sold and Unsold booklets back to the Office or Tuckshop.

Monster Prizes:

1. 3 Nights @ Zagame’s Paradise Resort – Gold Coast, with $150.00 credit to spend at the Resort (2 Adults and up to 6 Children) (Valued @ $960.00)
2. LG LED 39” (98cm) Television and LG Blu-Ray Player (Valued @ $658.00)
3. LG Mini System CD 500W (Valued @ $299.00)
4. Movie Tickets (Valued @ $100.00)

Tickets only $2.00 each or Book for $20.00

Raffle will be drawn on the 1st of April 2014. Return all butts and unsold tickets to Kruger State School by the 27th March 2014. Winners will be notified by phone.

So please support us in making this a successful first fundraiser. If you need more tickets please come and see me in Tuckshop. Parents, please remind children to be very careful going around the neighbourhood.
Student Banking

Money, Money, Money

Student Banking has commenced again, so please drop off bank books to the Tuckshop any time of the day. There are new prizes available, so when you reach your 10 tokens... SURPRISE TIME.... If anyone needs information regarding banking, please call in and talk to FLO (Tuckshop Convenor).

We are hoping to reach 250+ children banking this year. (Minimum banking can be 20 cents a week). But boy, the money soon adds up.

Everyone please get behind the P & C and Support your Children Education. Hope everyone has GREAT year.

Florence Scott
(Tuckshop Convenor)

Donations of Preloved Kruger SS Uniforms

We are in great need of preloved Kruger SS uniforms to be held at the office for emergencies. If you have any uniforms available, we would be grateful if you could please donate them to the school. We would appreciate donations of clean uniforms, any sizes, as some student may need to change into these uniforms if required. Thank you for your assistance.

Head Lice

It has come to our attention that we currently have a number of cases of head lice in the school.

Some parents in each class are being very responsible by checking and treating their children regularly, but this is only effective if EVERY child is checked and treated, as well as other members of the family.

The Health Department advises that it is the parents' responsibility to detect and treat head lice infestations.

Teachers and Child Health Nurses are not expected to do head inspections as this is not part of their duties.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND TREAT PROMPTLY IF YOU FIND EGGS (NITS) OR LICE.

In the event that it comes to our attention that a child has head lice, we need to act in accordance with departmental policy. This requires us to contact parents to ask for prompt attention to treatment. Children who have head lice do not need to be excluded from school if correct treatment has been recently applied.

School Dental Van Service at Kruger SS

West Moreton Oral Health provides a free dental service, including general dental treatment, as well as general advice and referral letters to school aged children between the ages of four years until they complete Grade Ten. A team of highly trained and skilled clinicians and support staff provides this service.

The Dental Van is no longer at Kruger State School, please contact the West Moreton Oral Health Service on 1300 763 246 if you have any concerns about the health of your child/ren.

School Crossing Supervisors

In January 1984 the Queensland Government, through Transport and Main Roads, introduced the School Crossing Scheme to reduce the risk of death or injury to children attending schools near Queensland’s busy roads.

The role of a School Crossing Supervisor is to:

- Assist children to safely cross roads.
- Monitor and report serious incidents and traffic violations within the ‘No Stopping’ areas at school crossings.
- Provide advice to pedestrians on safety rules and regulations pertaining to school crossings.
- Carry out duties within the parameters of work place health and safety requirements.
- Identify and make recommendations for changes to standard practises.

School Crossing Supervisors take their role very seriously and appreciate the respect they receive from the school community for the important role they play.

Motorists and pedestrians also have an important role to play by ensuring they follow safe practices in the school environment by adhering to the road rules.

For more information contact us on 1300 360 135 or visit our website on www.tmr.qld.gov.au

Road Safety
Department of Transport and Main Roads

School Safe – Ipswich City Council

Your Child’s Safety is our Priority!!

Ipswich City Council proactively monitors parking at schools to help improve your child’s safety.

Council’s ‘Safe parking at Schools’ initiative aims to ensure people park safely and legally, improving community safety through education of your school community rather than focusing on enforcement.

The initiative also includes the use of Patrolling Officers, Automatic Numberplate Recognition camera cars and remote movement activated cameras to capture parking offences.
Safe and legal parking is generally located within 300m of a school. Please drive and park safely around your school – It's your child’s safety.

Council works with your school though the Healthy Active School Travel program to encourage families to walk and cycle to and from school and improve health and road safety. For more information about safe travel routes contact your school or contact Ipswich city Council on (07) 3810 666.

**Miyoga**

Does an 8 week mindfulness yoga program, “MiYoga”, enhance cognitive functions such as attention, physical strength, behaviour and emotional control in children with cerebral palsy? MiYoga incorporates a family centered approach to therapy by inviting a caregiver to participate alongside their child. We will also want to see if MiYoga can relieve caregiver stress and improve parent child relationship.

We are looking for children with diplegia or hemiplegia cerebral palsy, aged 6-16 years old, who can walk independently or with a gait aid (GMFCS I-III) and one of their caregivers.

For more information please see flyer attached and webpage:

https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/miyoga/
index.html?page=home

You may also contact the MiYoga study co-ordinator:

Catherine Mak (Psychologist and Yoga Teacher)
Email: c.mak@uq.edu.au
Ph: 3646 5539 or 3646 5361

**Free Healthy Living Triple P Parenting Program**

We are researchers from the University of Queensland currently offering a free Triple P program for parents of children aged 3 to 10 years. The Lifestyle Triple P Seminar Series is a new 3-week program for parents who want to learn how to help their child develop healthy lifestyle patterns. Parents learn how to use positive parenting strategies to establish their child’s healthy eating patterns and active lifestyle.

**Would you like your family to live a healthier lifestyle?**

Raising healthy children is an important aspect to positive parenting. Your child’s physical health can affect their growth and development, their ability to participate in school, sport and other activities, and how they get along with other children. Children who eat well and stay active are more likely to develop into healthy adults. Researchers at the University of Queensland are currently offering a FREE Triple P parenting program to parents of children 3 to 10 years in exchange for participation in research.

Across three seminars you will learn strategies for:

- Managing both general and lifestyle-specific child problem behaviours
- Helping your child eat a healthy balance of nutritious foods
- Motivating your child to be more active
- Limiting screen time

The program is run at St Lucia and Ipswich, with free childcare available for families. To Register visit our website: www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/life

Jessica Bartlett - Project Coordinator
Email: lifestyletriplep@uq.edu.au
Phone: 0424 321 086 (please leave a message)

**Sensory Movie Day - Ipswich**

“Sensory Movie Day” is an Inclusive event for families with special needs. Children are free to move around flap or stim. Lighting stays on dim. Fire exit doors are monitored for those little escape artists. Siblings and extended family are welcome to this no judgement screening.

Please find attached our 2014 Calendar, with an amazing line-up of movies. Birch Carroll & Coyle - Ipswich City have tickets on sale now for the year’s line-up. Tickets are a crazy $6 each, children 2 years and under are free and companion I.D. Cards are accepted. Individual Caption devices are available on request for hearing impaired members... There is also a Medi Popcorn & Drink combo for $5.00.

**Western Spirit Football Club – Players Wanted**

Western Spirit Football Club still has some vacancies across most age groups, but in need of one or two more players to fill the following teams:

- Under 9 Girls
- Under 11 Girls
- Under 13 and 15 Boys
- Under 15 Girls

Under 6-7 Years Registration Fees only $150.00.

Player of all skills and abilities are invited to join Western Spirit FC in 2014 to pursue their football development in an engaging and positive sporting environment. Come along and see why so many enjoy playing at Western Spirit FC!

For more information visit www.spiritfc.com.au or contact secretary@spiritfc.com.au

**Younger Sports - Indoor Footy Australia**

Young Sports is an exciting Multi-Sport program for children from 3-10 years of age which introduces children to 9 popular sports. We also have created a new game, Indoor Footy, which is an indoor version of Touch football for children up to 12 years of age. We are starting both programs at the Ipswich Indoor Sports Centre this term. For more information please do hesitate to call.
Switch Bricks School Holiday Fun

Switch Bricks School
Holiday Fun

April 6th – 13th

Choose from 2 new extended sessions daily
Morning 9.00 – 12.00 or afternoon 1.00 – 4.00

Located at the Amare Centre,
Sacred heart Primary School Hall
25 Cothill Road Booval

Cost is just $2.00 for kids 1-3 yrs (littles) $8.00 for kids 4-14 (bigs)
Family discounts available for families with 3 or more bigs
Please note children must be accompanied by a
supervising adult (accompanying adult entry is free)

Check out our website
www.switchbricks.com or find us on Facebook

Booking strongly encouraged (sessions are
capped at 100 children). Book via facebook,
emailcreativitcentral@gmail.com or
text Tammy (0403 770 688)

IPSWICH – United Parents
Programs and Services

Have you heard the buzz about Ipswich UP?
Join us to connect Ipswich parents together through activity
groups, social networking, and links to community services.
Some of our most popular sessions include farm visits, baby
music sessions, messy play days, facilitated playgroups, and
‘Upschool’ our very own themed ‘out and about’ group for 2-5
year olds.

Keep up to date following us on Facebook, or requesting to
receive our weekly email update.

Contact Alana on 0428387838: admin@IpswichUP.com
www.IpswichUP.com

Greater Football Club
Training

Auskick – Saturdays @ Springfield Central High School
Juniors - Tuesdays @ Summit Oval, Springfield Lakes
U6/U8 – 430pm till 530pm, U9/10 - 5pm till 6pm
Youth - Tuesday and Fridays @ Summit Oval, Springfield Lakes
U11/12/13 – 530pm till 630pm