12 November 2014

Message from the Principal, Mrs Jody Stehbens

Master Teacher for Kruger

As part of the Great Teachers = Greats Results Action Plan, the Department of Education has begun to implement their Master Teacher initiative. From early 2015 Kruger, will have a Master Teacher working in the school as part of our Leadership Team. We believe that the Master Teacher will be with us for three years.

Our Master Teacher will supplement our normal staffing profile and may be used for targeted student support, coaching, and the planning and implementation of our school improvement agendas.

A key responsibility of our Master Teacher will be to mentor our young teachers.

Over the next few weeks, applications will be shortlisted and the appointment process should be completed by the end of the year.

Student Performance Conversations with all of our teachers

During the last few weeks, the Deputy Principals and I have had formal interviews with teachers about every student’s progress during 2014. Teachers have reported and showed evidence of students’ academic progress in the main areas of literacy and numeracy and they also discussed students’ attendance records. These conversations allow teachers and their line managers to exchange feedback to ensure that our teaching and learning programs are supporting students to achieve at their very best. They also inform what professional learning our teachers will undertake in 2015.

Every Day Counts at Kruger – Assessment Time

It is very important that students attend school every day. It is particularly important over the next few weeks as the final year assessments are being completed. If a student is absent from school during the assessment period, it is not always possible to catch up the assessment for those students. This means that the marks on the report card will be incomplete. Our Prep students are also involved in assessment that will take from now until the end of year to complete. The information that we get from the assessment tasks informs what teaching and learning programs we plan for students in 2015.

Please support our teachers by having students at school every day, so students can complete assessments and teachers can complete marks for reports cards in a timely manner.

End of Year Events

Please be aware that students will be participating in end of year events. Some of these will involve Christmas celebrations and activities. Please notify your child’s teacher if you would prefer that your child not participate in these festivities.

No G20 Public Holiday for Ipswich City Council Zone

School will be open as normal on Friday 14th November 2014. The public holiday is for Brisbane City Council areas only.

Kruger’s Guidance Officer and Chaplain

Margaret Ballinger, our Guidance Officer works at school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Margaret is able to be contacted through the school office (38149333).

Dave Sedwell (Chappy Dave) is at Kruger on Monday, Thursday and Friday. Chappy can also be contacted by phoning the school office.

FOCUS ON: Cyberbullying

Our focus this week is all about internet safety. We were lucky enough last week to have a trainer from ACMA come to our school and work with students, teachers and parents about Cyberbullying, internet safety and tips and hints on keeping safe on the internet. There was so much to learn, talk about and take away from our sessions. Our students in Year 5, 6, 7 were participating in discussions about how they keep themselves safe on the internet, what tools they have access to, what are appropriate websites and what websites could be unsafe. It was amazing to see how many students had regular and unsupervised access to the internet…a sign of our times.
Our teachers were also trained in the areas of cyber safety, apps to be aware of and ways to talk with students about keeping themselves and their families safe. Over the next 3 weeks, teachers will be teaching lessons to your children on key strategies that help keep them safe:

1. If they are not a known friend in your contacts – **DELETE DELETE DELETE**
2. Putting your phone/IPAD settings to Privacy – only sharing information with your friends
3. Check your APPS – are they suitable? If not **DELETE DELETE DELETE**

For more information please see website below: www.cybersmart.gov.au

**Benefits of the Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme:**

- **Ensures all** students have **all** the required resources for their education for the entire year.
- **Ensures that your child has the wide range of materials** necessary to support their learning in all areas.
- Provides your child with the opportunity to ‘hire’ (use for the year) the **more expensive items** e.g. dictionaries, atlases, textbooks and resources for computer work and associated activities. Also active learning resources such as puzzles, art materials and individual whiteboards.
- Provides your child with printed and laminated class activity sheets e.g. photocopying of learning materials, homework materials.
- Provides materials used for classroom projects e.g. a range of art materials, cardboard and technology resources.
- Ensures that all **equipment will be replaced** if lost/damaged.
- Provides a **service to parents/carers** (we do the shopping and running around for you).
- Allows the school to purchase good quality equipment in **bulk** at greatly **reduced costs**.
- Is supplied to your child as “GST Free”.

This Scheme provides the entire package for a set fee of **$100.00** for Prep to Year 3 and **$120.00** for Years 4 to 6 and is not available in parts.

**Conditions of participating in Scheme:**

Complete the attached Participation Agreement form and return to the school office by Friday, 5 December 2014. Please ensure you read the back of this form for further conditions in this scheme.

**Payment:**

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- If you wish to pay the total fee up front in 2014 please feel free to do so.
- If you wish to negotiate a different instalment payment plan, please contact the Business Services Manager at the office.
- Instalments need to be up to date for students to receive their resources.

**Important Dates**

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**Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme 2015 - Prep to Year 6**

In 2015, we are offering you a cost effective way to purchase textbooks, stationery and other resources for your child.

With today’s curriculum, students need a large variety of textbooks and other resources. If we were to ask you to provide what is required yearly, it could be very expensive for families.
• If you still have outstanding monies from previous years, you will need to contact the office and negotiate a payment plan for you to be eligible for the 2015 Scheme.
• Payments can be made by cash, cheque, bankcard, visa, mastercard, and eftpos or directly into the school bank account. A receipt will be provided.
• Payments can also be made through Centrepay. Please see the office for a form.
• The Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme needs to be paid for in full before a student can participate in any extra curricular activities. Extra curricular activities include camps, sporting and cultural activities outside the normal curricular program.

Where there is genuine parental financial hardship, parents can discuss with the School Administration how they can meet their financial obligations by installments throughout the school year or discuss alternative arrangements to accommodate special circumstances.

Students transferring in/out during year:
• If a student starts school after first term, the fee is reduced and charged according to the weeks attended in the school year.
• If a student leaves school having paid the fee, a refund will be made, taking into account the weeks remaining in the school year.

Families not participating in the Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme:
• Please complete the attached form indicating “no” and return to the school office by Friday, 5 December 2014.
• Please collect a Year Level requirement list which includes all stationery and textbooks that your child will need.
• Please supply all items on the list by Friday, 30 January 2015.
• Books and resources provided under the Scheme will not be issued to students whose parents/carers choose not to participate.
• You will be required to replace items through the year if they are lost, damaged or used.
• You will be required to supply any additional items needed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum or meet your child’s particular needs.

Our account details are located at the bottom of your statements. If you choose to pay via a Direct Deposit, please ensure that you enter your child’s full name, class and what it is for as a reference.

Payments can be made at the office. We accept Cash, EFTPOS, Credit Card or Direct Deposit.

Failure to finalise payment for the Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme may result in your child/ren not receiving resources.

Parents who have outstanding monies will be contacted by the office in the next coming weeks.

Library News
The library is open from 8:00am each morning for borrowing and returns.

Students can borrow a book for 2 weeks.

Students in Prep to Year 1, 2 and 3 must have a library bag to borrow. We require this so that books are less likely to be damaged.

Students in Year 5, 6 and 7 can borrow 2 books at a time.

Library Activities for Students
Reading Club - Monday - Friday 8:00am - 8:20am with Mrs Day and Mrs Taalolo
Games Club - Thursday First Break with Chappy and volunteers (Board games, Draughts, Chess, UNO, etc.)
Poetry Club – Friday First Break with Ms Drover

If you have any questions about lost or damaged books, please do not hesitate to contact the library staff on ph: 38149327 or edrov1@eq.edu.au

Tuckshop
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/ 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.
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 Child’s Education. Hope everyone has GREAT year.

Florence Scott
(Tuckshop Convenor)

Kingi Tri Event – Kingscliff NSW

Come out and give triathlon a try!

The Kingi Tri event is not a competition; it is about having a go and doing your best.

You’ll have great fun and get to meet lots of new friends from other schools who are in the same boat as you and trying triathlon for the first time.

Because every kid who participates is a winner, everyone will receive a participation medal for giving it a go, an event t-shirt and a sausage sizzle voucher.

Details:

When: 23rd November 2014
Where: Kingscliff NSW
What: Swimming, cycling and running
Why: To give triathlon a go and to HAVE FUN
Who: Juniors (7-9 years old) and Big Kids (10-12 years old)

What does a triathlon involve?

Triathlon is made up of three difference activities without stopping in between.

A triathlon begins with the swim. It will be 100m for juniors and 200m for the Big Kids. There will be life guards on hand – if you need them they will be there.

Transition

Out of the water and on to the bike.

Follow the bike track – helpers will guide you around the course. Juniors will ride 3km and Big Kids will ride 6km.

Transition

Back into the transition area, get off your bike and remove your helmet and leave them there.

This is the last bit, it you are feeling a bit tired, take your time. Remember, this is not a race it is about doing your best. Juniors will run 500m and Big Kids will run 1km.

Finish – Well done, you did it!

Entry fees

Juniors: $42
Big Kids: $47

*If you are not a member of Triathlon Australia, you will need to purchase a one day membership to race ($5)

Invite your friends to give it a go with you and get ready to have some fun!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further information.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Sebastian Krantz
Events & Administration Manager
0411 757 577
3/3 Heaslop Street, Woolloongabba, Queensland, Australia
For more information on the event please visit http://www.kingsclifftri.com.au/

Ipswich Hospital Open Day – Saturday
22th November 9am – 1pm (Changed from 15th to 22nd)

The Open Day is an opportunity to showcase Ipswich Hospital’s exciting future as part of West Moreton Hospital and Health Service. We have a state-of-the-art new facility and a new Health Service Plan specifically prepared for the West Moreton catchment to guide our service delivery in the years ahead. We also have five Community Reference Groups across West Moreton Hospital and Health Service and the overarching Community Advisory Council formed to ensure a community voice in the provision and planning of health services.

The Open Day is being planned in collaboration with the Ipswich Hospital Foundation. The event, to be held from 9am – 1pm will include tours of the hospital facilities, as well as interactive displays and activities supporting key health messages. We anticipate up to 1,000 people from the community will visit the hospital for the event. They will have the opportunity to see and hear how the Blueprint for better healthcare in Queensland is coming to life in Ipswich, and the wider West Moreton region.

Yours in anticipation

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Communications Officer
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P: (07) 3413 7922
Ipswich Hospital, Chelmsford Avenue / PO Box 73
Ipswich Qld 4305
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Saver Plus Program – Smith Family

Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:

- School uniforms and text books
Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $900 for educational costs including:
- school uniforms and textbooks
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pension Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact David Smit, your local Saver Plus Worker:
(07) 3115 6202/0417 436 183
Or david.smit@thesmithfamily.com.au

Ipswich Riverlink Shopping Centre
Sensory Santa

Sensory Santa was created for families with special needs children that have sensory disorders and couldn’t have a photo with Santa because of the sensory barriers.

Sensory Santa Offers

No Background Music, No Lines/queues, 5min bookings, No spotlights, Chair next to Santa, understanding Santa & Photographer.

Ipswich Riverlink Shopping Centre has dedicated the day for Special needs photos with Santa

Limited Bookings

10am-2pm Sunday 30TH November
Book online or phone: 3294 5500

http://www.riverlink.net.au/event-registration.php

Swimming Queensland – Aquatic participation Fun Day

Foundation Gold Coast

Aquatic Participation Fun Day

Join us for a FUN day at the pool for children and adults with special needs

Swimming Queensland is hosting a FREE fun day at the pool children and adults with special needs.

Aquatic Participation fun Days are designed for children and adults with a disability to enjoy fun water activities whilst gaining aquatic skills and confidence, in a relaxed and safe environment.

What will be covered?

*Water Safety *Aquatic Skills *Novelty Races

VENUE:
Palm Beach Aquatic Centre

ADDRESS:
1 Thrower Drive Palm Beach 4223

DATE:
Thursday 18th November, 2014

TIME:
10.30AM – 1.00PM

REGISTER ONLINE:
www.qld.swimming.org.au

Meet the Queensland Bulls November 20th at Brookwater

Meet the Players from the Queensland Bulls!

Autograph

Signing & Great Prizes

Thursday 20th November
4.00pm – 5.30pm
Brookwater Retail Village, 2 Tournament Drive, Brookwater

Holiday Coaching Camp – Hockey Qld

This coaching camp is for boys and girls aged 10, 11, & 12 and will be run by a qualified Hockey QLD staff, based around learning new skills and having fun! No previous playing experience required!

Where: Tallebudgera Active Recreation Centre, GOLD COAST

When: 15, 16 and 17 December 2014 (Mon, & Tues Live in)

Camp Includes: 4 x 1hr 30mins hockey session, 4 x 1hr 30min recreational activities, Mini Olympics

Cost:
$295 (includes all meals and accommodation + HQ draw-string bag, 2 camp shirts, hat and water bottle)


Questions? Contact Caitlin Sippel…W: 3399 6577 E: csippel@hockeyqld.com.au