Message from the Principal, Mrs Jody Stehbens

Prep 2015 Information and Enrolment Sessions

Our second Prep enrolment and Information Session will be a twilight session held on:

Tuesday, 11th November, 2014
Enrolment Session: 5.30pm
Information session: 6.00pm
Venue: School Hall

Congratulations to the Lollipop Band

Last Saturday, our Lollipop Band performed at the Jacaranda Festival. Kruger students performed 2 songs: the first being The Music Literacy Song and the second song "Paint You a Song". There were 15 local and out of region groups in the competition. Our Lollipop Band can third by half a point. This is an excellent result for our Band. Thank you to Ms McShane, who is responsible for the organisation and management of the performance. The support from the school community was wonderful and I thank performance staff and community for your support.

2014 Parent Requests - (final opportunity)

Very soon we will begin the very complex process of forming classes and allocating our staff for 2014. In particular cases, parents may wish to request a particular placement/circumstance for their child. If this is the case, I would ask you to put your request in writing and hand it in to the school office by 31st October 2015.

In any case, parent requests are considered and, where possible, are met. However, nothing can be guaranteed as many aspects need to be taken into account during the class formation process.

Please be aware that late requests, either later this year or early next year, may not be able to be considered, as the formation of classes will be finished and changes are usually not possible.

Visitor Toilet

For the convenience of all Kruger families and visitors, we have now allocated a visitor toilet in the school. This toilet is located in the middle toilet block opposite the library, near the upper under covered area.

Just look for the sign 'Visitor Toilet.'

This toilet is intended for all visitors including parents, friends, older and younger children who are not students at Kruger.

All toilets in all other toilet blocks are for the use of Kruger students only.

Staff Parking in the School Grounds ONLY

Please be aware that the car park in the school grounds is for Staff ONLY. Unfortunately, there is not enough space for parents to park in the grounds at any time.

For the safety of all students, driving into the grounds to drop students off in the turnaround zone is also not permitted at any time.

If you have a disabled permit, please register at the office and arrangements can be made for you to use the disabled park.

Homework Survey

All schools have been asked to review their homework policy by the end of the year. A percentage of students have been given a survey to get parent feedback. If you haven’t received a survey and you would like to participate, you are able to print the survey from our website and send it back to school with your child.

Please click here www.krugerss.eq.edu.au to view our Parent Homework Survey via our website, then click on the bottom right Kruger SS logo (Community Committee Parent Homework Survey (Doc, 53 KB))

Year 3 Swimming Classes

Year 3 students have the opportunity to participate in swimming lessons for the last 5 weeks of the year. Money for this should be paid by the 31st October. Unfortunately, late payments cannot be accepted.

Great state. Great opportunity.
Focus On Kruger iPad Program (3rd edition) – Justin Smith (Deputy Principal)

Since last report, the iPad program has been increasing steadily. The Prep and Year 1 students are regularly using the devices and showing great skill as well. Their work revolves mainly around learning letter sounds and constructing words and sentences. The iPads allow the students to see, hear and practise their words both individually and as a group. Maths hasn’t been forgotten either with our students learning their number facts in a fun and engaging way. Our Year 2 students will begin using the devices now, with 40 purchased for their use.

All teachers in the program have received an introductory text outlining how to use the iPads that was written by our Ipad Mentor, Ms Nicole Bone. Teachers have just completed a survey to determine what further training is required and this week Ms Bone will begin visiting classes and providing observation lessons for other teachers.

Last Friday, 4 teachers completed 6 hours of professional development on the use of iPads in the classroom. The group visited another school to view their program, heard presentations from a variety of speakers, including representatives from Apple; and saw a range of new Apps.

One common theme though, was just how engaging the devices are for young people. There is no doubt that this is the way of the younger generation and they are quite at home with using “taps, swipes and clicks”. We see it with our youngest students.

I would like to say how impressed I have been with the behaviour of the students when using the iPads. They are very respectful of the equipment and of others who may be new to the technology. The students work together so well.

Over the rest of the term, we will continue to develop how we run our iPad program and how we will link these devices into the Australian Curriculum. It is quite a big job, but our teachers are committed to providing the best opportunities for our students.

Important Dates

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Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme 2014 - Prep to Year 7

The Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme is now overdue, please arrange payment of the balance owing as soon as possible. This does not apply to parents who have a payment plan through Centrepay.

ARE YOU HAVING TROUBLE ATTENDING THE OFFICE TO MAKE PAYMENTS?

We can take your Credit Card details over the phone, please contact the office 3814 9333.

You can make a Direct Deposit into the School Bank account. 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.
**Sport Refund – Request for Refund Form**

Parents who have paid for Term 3 for Sports and require a refund due to cancellation, please ensure you have completed a Request for Refund Form at the office as soon as possible. A refund will not be issued unless the form is completed. For more information, please contact the office on Ph: 3814 9333.

**School Photo’s - MSP Photography**

School Photos have been sent home to parents. If you have any concerns, please contact MSP Photography on Ph: 3848 3946 or 1800 069 976.

**Pick Up Arrangements after School**

Lately, the office has been receiving many last minute requests for change of pickup places, people and times for students across all year levels. We realise sometimes, changes are unavoidable, but we ask that firm arrangements are made with your child/children before they leave in the morning.

*Alterations to these arrangements should only be made in an emergency.*

**Improvement to our Newsletter**

**Google Translate**

A drop down arrow is now available, with a wide range of languages for readers to choose from. It sits just below the school banner, above the date.

**ACMA Cybersmart – Information Session at Kruger State School**

*Internet privacy in an age of oversharing*

Kruger State School is holding an information session for parents on:

4th November, 2014
@ 5.30pm – 7.00pm
School Hall (Orange Room)

Join in the discussion with an ACMA Cybersmart expert.

Arm yourself with the knowledge of ‘what’s trending’ and how to assist your child navigate safely online.

For more information, please visit www.cybersmart.gov.au or contact Kruger State School on Ph: 3814 9333.

**A trip To Germany – Peter Dobrenov (LOTE)**

This Term 4, students will plan a trip to Berlin. Planning will include every step needed to make this trip as real as possible. This includes:

- Destination picking
- Creating an Itinerary
- Planning of:
  - Dates of travel (getting in touch with a travel agent)
  - Passports

Through the planning of the trip, students will virtually visit 8 or many landmarks in Berlin and write a brief description about them.

Students will also have the opportunity to use German Language while traveling. This will include simple phrases and expressions needed for basic communication while visiting.

The final assessment will be a small essay, where students can describe what they found the most fascinating in Berlin and why.

**Physical Education Term 4 – Gavin McLeod**

**Junior Cross Country 2014**

Last Thursday, the junior school participated in a thrilling cross country carnival. We had perfect weather for the day; sunny and with a light breeze. I’d like to thank all the parents and friends of our school who came to watch our runners give their best effort. It was great seeing students wearing their house colours proudly and showing great team spirit during war cries and cheering on athletes as they ran.

A big thank you goes to the Year Seven students who helped run and organise the day. Congratulations also go to all students who received a ribbon for finishing in the top three.

The points for the carnival were as follows:

- Gold House 165 points
- Blue House 199 points
- Green House 268 points
- Red House 294 points

Well done again to everyone participated in our cross country. It was a memorable day.

**State Athletics**

What a fantastic performance by Caleb L at the State Athletics Championship. He finished 1st in the 100 metres and 3rd in the 200 metres. He will now go to Tasmania for the National Championships. What a fantastic performance!

**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

P&C & Tuckshop News

P&C

P&C Mini Halloween Disco

Friday 31st October

Junior Disco Prep – Year 3 - 4.30pm – 6.00pm
Senior Disco Year 4 – Year 7 - 6.30pm – 8.00pm

Tickets - $3.00

Pre-sold tickets only NO tickets at the door!

Tickets will be available before school and at first break on Monday to Thursday
And before school on Friday from the tuckshop!

There will be NO FOOD at the Disco!

Tuckshop News

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.

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 Year Levels 4-7. The Price is 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:

- Pencil Sharpeners
- Rubbers
- Pencil Sharpeners

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)

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 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 6666.

Sensory Movie Day - Ipswich

“Sensory Movie Day” is an Inclusive event for families with special needs. Children are free to move around flap or stir. 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.

“Sensory Movie Day” is a movie session for children and young people with special needs and their families, carers and friends.

It is a non judgement session where our children are free to flap, stir, make noise, and move about. They are free to try every seat in the house if they wish and be themselves.

Parents and Carers are able to sit and relax knowing that the children are enjoying themselves and no one is judging them.

The lights are left on dimly so we can see and keep everyone safe and the main door and fire doors are kept under observation to stop any escape artists.

The movies are newly released and children are welcome to bring their friends along. No diagnosis is needed and Carer’s card is accepted.

Grab a membership card on arrival and take advantage of a great deal at the movie kiosk (on back of card).

Movies are held at the Birch Carrol & Coyle cinemas in the Ipswich Mall and all tickets are only $6 (available on the day).

This month’s movie is “Tinkerbell The Pirate Fairy”

Zarina, a smart and ambitious dust-keeper fairy who’s captivated by Blue Pixie Dust and it’s endless possibilities. When Zarina’s wild ideas get her into trouble, she flees Pixie Hollow and joins forces with the scheming pirates of Skull Rock, who make her captain of their ship. Tinker Bell and her friends must embark on an epic adventure to find Zarina, and together they go sword-to-sword with the band of pirates led by a cabin boy named James, who’ll soon be known as Captain Hook himself.

Tickets are $6.00 each.

Companion I.D. Card Accepted.
Children 2 years and under are free.

Tickets on Sale NOW!!!
Movies start at 2pm.

We have a facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/pages/Sensory-Movie-Day-Ipswich-City/281963051956674

2014 West Brisbane Falcons Basketball Club DTP Season

TERM 4, 2014 - Development, Training, Play

If you are interested in playing with West Brisbane Falcons in the last season (Term 4) for 2014, please visit our website and download & complete the Player Nomination Form.

West Brisbane Falcons will run our own in-house competitions in all junior age groups. This will mean we will conduct 90 minute age group sessions on a selected night that will involve a 45 minute training sessions followed by organised matches on the two courts available at Centenary High School. Each Gender Age Group will be capped at 32 players so that every player gets the most out of their Falcons experience so make sure you get in early.

A Player Nomination Form & Further Information can be found on our website.

http://www.westbrisbane.basketball.net.au/
westbrisbanebasketball@hotmail.com

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange

Take Home a Big Brother or Big Sister

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan and USA will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family.

Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!
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 different 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 www.kingclifftri.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

**Emma Mercer**
Communications Officer
West Moreton Hospital and Health Service

E: emma.mercer@health.qld.gov.au
P: (07) 3413 7922
Ipswich Hospital, Chelmsford Avenue / PO Box 73
Ipswich Qld 4305
AUSTRALIA

**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
- Computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sport 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

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Wrayorganic Market Café - Affordable Real Food

Additive Alert with Louise D’allura

Can the Food in your Child’s Lunchbox Affect their Behaviour Health?

A fun & informative two hour seminar showing you which food additives are linked to health, learning & behaviour problems (including asthma & hyperactivity), how to avoid the nasties & how to shop smarter & still stay sane.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL – Ph: 3812 3300

30TH OCTOBER (Thursday)
Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Price: $20 per person
70 warwick Road Ipswich

Join us for this special talk where Louise D’Allures investigates the alarming range of additives in or foods.

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, 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)


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

Questions? Contact Caitlin Sippel…
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