Springwood HighSchools

Our vision: The highest expectations

Five Platforms: Academic Excellence, Student Wellbeing, Community, Sport and the Arts, Pathways

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Enrolments

Springwood State High School is taking enrolments for 2014. If you have a child ready to start high school next year please contact the office on 3380 6111 to book an enrolment appointment.

Springwood offers a strong academic program for all students and offers specialist Year 8 classes for: Academic Excellence, Performing Arts, Music, Technology, HPE, Catering, Social Sciences and Art.

We are also hosting Transition Tuesdays where Year 7 students undertake a program of familiarisation into secondary school life by experiencing some mini classes and meet with student leaders. These days are extremely successful and well subscribed. Please call the office on the number above for further information about our Transition Tuesdays.

Springwood Education Precinct

Springwood State High School, Springwood Road and Springwood Central Primary Schools have recently established a Springwood Education Precinct. Our Precinct recognises the great links and projects we have established to support students at our schools. Projects and activities include, secondary students as mentors for Year 7s, student involvement and assistance with Under 8 Days, sporting and music activities, Transition Days including Year 7 to secondary school and secondary teachers teaching specialist subjects in the primary setting. Look out for further information on our website and in the local paper.

Upgrades

You have been hearing throughout the year about the upgrades to a number of our facilities. Check out the photos and don’t forget to also have a look at our new website.

MCCULLOUGH, Julie-Ann
Principal

P AND C MEETINGS

Starting time will now be 6:30pm as of April’s Meeting.

Next P & C meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th August in the Administration block, common room. All welcome to attend.
Youth Support Coordinator

My name is Solomon, I work for Youth and Family Service (Logan City) Inc., and I am the new Youth Support Coordinator (YSC) at Springwood State High School.

I am available every Wednesday and Friday, you can find me at H Block, in the school nurse’s room. A YSC can help you address issues that may help you remain engaged in education. If you feel like you need to talk to someone, need assistance with remaining engaged at school, or need support around a particular area in your life then please come see me directly or talk to school staff to arrange an appointment. I will do my best to assist you towards your goals.

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Finally, thank you to the Bunnings Warehouse Underwood for providing the students with the opportunity to contribute to the community in this way.

NEWSLETTER EMAILED

The school Newsletter will be emailed to parents/guardians. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email please complete the form below and we will email the newsletter to you. However if you do not have an email address you will still be able to obtain a paper copy of the newsletter. Simply ask your son/daughter to collect the monthly school newsletter from the Student Reception. The newsletter is also available via the school website.

Student Name…………………………………………………………
Parent’s Name…………………………………………………………
Email Address…………………………………………………………

(Please print)

Year 11 Leadership Camp

On Wednesday 10th July 2013 a group of 34 bright, energetic and talented Year 11 students took up an amazing opportunity and attended “Leadership Camp.” During the three days at leadership camp at Tallebudgerra we took on many fun activities. In doing so we learnt to trust each other by sharing experiences and learning new ways to cooperate. We also learnt how to make group decisions by thinking about ideas together.

The series of activities that we participated in were nerve racking, fun and crazy. These activities included high ropes, dodge ball, skipping, constructing catapults and numerous other building challenges. Some of the challenges were baffling, while others were easier and allowed us quick success. We also had relaxing activities that included walking along the beach, watching movies and hanging out with friends. Everyone who went on Leadership camp had a lot of fun and many new friends were made. Overall the came was fun and an experience that none of us will forget.

Rue Ho
Year 11 student

DiabetesBasics supports teachers and students

This year as part of National Diabetes Week, we were excited to launch DiabetesBasics, our new web portal designed to help ensure teachers, parents and school communities have all the information they need to support students with type 1 and type 2 diabetes.

The web portal includes downloadable versions of school guidelines, practical advice and templates for developing individual and emergency health plans. These plans are essential tools for recording the health requirements of students with diabetes.

We work closely with Education Queensland, Queensland Health and other health professionals to develop the portal. DiabetesBasics is designed to support teachers and school communities, as well as giving parents and students peace of mind.

Check out DiabetesBasics.

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Orders are accepted.

Credit Card and Debit Cards (EFTPOS), Cash, Cheques and Money Orders can be made at the school Payment Office Tuesdays or by Money Order:

- Paying in Person: Paying by phone: Payment by Credit Card ONLY
  - School’s Bank Account Name: Springwood State High School
  - BSB Number: 064-170 (CBA Branch Springwood)
  - Account Number: 00090094
  - Reference/Details: Please record the student’s I.D. number in the reference/details section so that your payment can be recorded correctly.
  - If insufficient details are supplied, payments will be applied to the oldest debt for that Family/Customer.

- Paying by phone: Payment by Credit Card ONLY
  - Call the school on 33806167 or 33806111 Tuesday to Friday between 8am - 12.00midday. (Closed Mondays)
  - Please have the account and your credit card details with you when you call.
  - VISA or Mastercard accepted.
  - Cheques and Money Orders made payable to Springwood State High School.
  - Post to PO Box 77 Springwood QLD 4127

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Payment Window Closed Every Monday

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Student I.D Numbers
A friendly reminder to Parents/Caregivers to use your student’s I.D. number as a reference, when making payments via internet banking. The correct I.D number is 10 digits with a letter on the end (eg: 1234567899X). The old six digit student I.D number is now obsolete.

This is particularly important when making payments via internet banking so that the school’s Finance Department can apply the payment.

If your student does not have an I.D. card or you are unsure of your student’s I.D. number, please do not hesitate to contact our Administration Department. I.D cards can be collected from the Payment Window.

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Credit Card Payment Advice form attached on page 7.

PAYMENT WINDOW CLOSED EVERY MONDAY

HAVE YOU MOVED?
If you have moved, changed jobs, changed your telephone number (including mobile) or if your emergency contacts have had any changes to their contact details we need to know. Please send a note to the office with your child or phone the office on 3380 6111 to let us know of any changes.

MEDICATION
Just a reminder that if your child needs to take medication of any kind while at school we can only administer prescription medication. This medication needs to be in the original box/container with the chemist label adhered to it. Students are not permitted to hold medication of any kind in their bag. All medication must be brought to the office, authorisation forms filled out and signed by parent, guardian and students then come to the office for staff to administer the medication.

If you have any queries please don’t hesitate to contact the office.

MOBILE PHONES AT SCHOOL
Students are to be reminded that it is at their own risk if they choose to bring a mobile phone to school. It is understood that some students have a mobile phone for safety purposes whilst travelling to and from school, however it is this school’s policy that phones are to be switch off and out of sight during lesson times. If a mobile phone is used during class time, then the teacher may take the action of confiscating the phone until the end of the day. Students are encouraged to hand their mobile phone in to the office for safe keeping during the school day.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS
TUESDAY & FRIDAY - 7:30am to 9:00am

VOLUNTEERS needed and welcomed on these days. Please see Gloria in the Uniform shop.

NEW SCHOOL CAPS, SPORTS SHORTS & SPORTS POLO SHIRTS NOW HERE (caps $10)

Please contact our Administration Department on 3380 6111 and leave your contact details and we will endeavour to organise a suitable appointment time or alternately download an order form from the school website and email to Uniformshop@springwoshs.eq.edu.au

RE: NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS COMPUTER FUND - STUDENT LAPTOPS

A reminder to students that the laptops are the property of The Department of Education and Training. It is the student’s responsibility to take care of the laptops.

General precautions are:-
- Food or drinks should never be placed near the device.
- Plugs, cords and cables should be inserted and removed carefully.
- Devices should be carried within their protective case.
- Devices should never be carried with the screen open.
- Ensure the battery is fully charged each day.
- Turn the laptop off before placing it in its bag.
- Do not graffiti or deface the laptop or bag.
- Do not put stickers on the laptop.
- Do not write on the bag.

The $90 fee for the laptop is an annual resource fee and subject to change. As per the Laptop agreement, students who complete their schooling or transfer from school must return the laptop to the school or the school will initiate recovery procedures. If the Laptop is not returned in the condition it was loaned to the student, reimbursement will be sought. Laptops must be returned to the school I.T. Department by the completion of each school year.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PLEASE NOTE:
STUDENT ABSENTEE LINE NOW HAS A NEW NUMBER
Telephone: 3380 6103

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OLVEKNEED ANORDERS ARE ACCEPTED.

CREDIT CARD AND DEBIT CARDS (EFTPOS), CASH, CHEQUES AND MONEY ORDERS CAN BE MADE AT THE SCHOOL PAYMENT OFFICE TUESDAYS OR BY MONEY ORDER:

- PAYING IN PERSON: PAYING BY PHONE: PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD ONLY
  - SCHOOL’S BANK ACCOUNT NAME: SPRINGWOOD STATE HIGH SCHOOL
  - BSB NUMBER: 064-170 (CBA BRANCH SPRINGWOOD)
  - ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00090094
  - REFERENCE/DETAILS: PLEASE RECORD THE STUDENT’S I.D. NUMBER IN THE REFERENCE/DETAILS SECTION SO THAT YOUR PAYMENT CAN BE RECORDED CORRECTLY.
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- PLUGS, CORDS AND CABLES SHOULD BE INSERTED AND REMOVED CAREFULLY.
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- DO NOT WRITE ON THE BAG.

THE $90 FEE FOR THE LAPTOP IS AN ANNUAL RESOURCE FEE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE. AS PER THE LAPTOP AGREEMENT, STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE THEIR SCHOOLING OR TRANSFER FROM SCHOOL MUST RETURN THE LAPTOP TO THE SCHOOL OR THE SCHOOL WILL INITIATE RECOVERY PROCEDURES. IF THE LAPTOP IS NOT RETURNED IN THE CONDITION IT WAS LOANED TO THE STUDENT, REIMBURSEMENT WILL BE SOUGHT. LAPTOPS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL I.T. DEPARTMENT BY THE COMPLETION OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR.
Wanted: Springwood High writers to visit the 2013 Brisbane Writer’s Festival.

DEADLINE EXTENDED: MONDAY 19TH AUGUST

- Prize consists of: 1 ticket to the Brisbane Writer’s Festival on Wednesday, the 4th of September 2013.
- There are 20 tickets available and you will attend this festival with Springwood SHS staff and students.

Competition guidelines:

- You are to write a response in any genre to the stimulus provided (see over page). The theme of the stimulus is ‘Finding Yourself’.
- It is suggested that you write a maximum of 1000 words.
- Entry is open to any student in years 8, 9 and 10 at Springwood SHS.
- Entries are to be submitted via email to either Ms Kahl at dkahl3@eq.edu.au or Ms Sheppard at kshep4@eq.edu.au by 3pm on Monday 19th August 2013. Winners will be advised during week 7.
- Judge’s decision will be final and no further correspondence shall be entered into.
- Prize winners will be responsible for their own bus fare on public transport on the day of the festival. They will be accompanied by Springwood SHS staff both on this transport and for the entire festival.
- Winners will attend 3 pre-booked sessions at the festival:
  1. Rebecca Sparrow – Find Your Tribe
  2. Randa Abdel-Fattah – 10 Things I Hate About Me
  3. Melina Marchetta – Lost and Found
- If you require any further information, please contact Ms Debbie Kahl, Ms Kerri Sheppard, or Mrs Francoise Monange (English Head of Department) on 3380 6111.

Good luck! ©
CLASS OF 85 SCHOOL REUNION

Website address is: http://shsclassof85reunion.blogspot.com/

For more information please contact the organisers Kerry Warnholtz, David McLeod and Justin Wilson. The reunion is scheduled for 2010.

Finding your way!

“I never look back, darling. It distracts from the now.”
— Edna Mode

Who Am I?
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HPV School Vaccination Program

What do I need to do?

If you are a parent or guardian of a male aged 12-13 years or a female aged 12-13 years, you will receive information about the HPV vaccination program, including a consent form from your child’s school before the vaccination can be administered.

You should also:

- Take your child to the vaccination or consent form clinic at your local Department of Health.

Side effects

Side effects are common with vaccines and are usually mild. The most common side effects are:

- Redness
- Swelling
- Pain

These side effects may last for up to 24 hours. Side effects are more common in younger children.

When any vaccination side effects occur, they are important to report. You can report adverse events to the TGA website at http://tga.gov.au/reportadverseevent or by phone on 1800 675 636.

More information can be found at http://nib.health.gov.au/hpv

Factsheet for parents

A school-based vaccination program to protect males and females against a range of cancers caused by Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) is being provided through the National Immunisation Program.

From January 2013, the National Immunisation Program will be delivered in all schools in Victoria for 12-13 year olds. The program includes two doses of HPV vaccine. Two doses will be offered to both males and females.

In males, the vaccine will be offered to all 12-13 year old boys in Victoria in 2013.

Females aged 12-13 years will be offered the vaccine at their 12th birthday, in 2013.

This HPV vaccine can protect females from cervical cancer and can also be an important step in stopping the spread of the virus.

About the vaccine

The HPV vaccine provides highly effective protection against the four types of HPV that cause the majority of cervical cancer. It is estimated to prevent 70% of all cases of cervical cancer. The vaccine can be given to both males and females.

The vaccine will be offered to both boys and girls in Victoria in 2013.

The HPV vaccine is not a substitute for regular cervical screening.

What is HPV?

HPV is a sexually transmitted infection that can cause a range of cancers, including penis, anal, cervical, vulval and vaginal cancers. Other types of HPV can cause warts, which may be either painful or asymptomatic.

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NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Helping children cope with conflict and disagreements

Young People learn a lot about the give and take of relationships just from playing together, and they need lots of opportunities to learn to work things out for themselves. It is during play in the early years some children find they can get what they want through aggression, while others allow themselves to be pushed around or not get a turn. Due to this, sometimes young people need adult help to work things out. Watchful adults can help with problems between children by helping each child to see how others feel and to say what they want.

It is important to help all children express their feelings and learn the skills to work things out. Sometimes, adults might be tempted to step in, take over and tell children what to do or not to do. This may make children feel that they are not capable of working it out for themselves and keeps them reliant on adults. Children need to learn why conflict arises and how to work it out among themselves. Parents and carers can help children manage conflict by:

1. Making a connection with each of the children involved in the conflict (e.g., by making eye contact and making sure that each child knows that you are there to care for and help them),
2. Teaching children to use words rather than actions,
3. Helping each child to say how they feel,
4. Helping children to understand some words are hurtful,
5. Encouraging each child to say what they would like to happen
6. Supporting children to think of things they could do to try and solve the problem
7. Acknowledging children doing well. This can be shown with a smile, a friendly glance, a comment (e.g., telling them what they are doing well and asking them to tell you how they did it)
8. Following up and making sure children understand their problem solving worked well or talking to them about other solutions if things did not go so well.

It is important to consider what else maybe going on for your young person. If children are stressed or troubled by something that is happening in their lives, they have less resources to deal with life’s everyday challenges and will be less able to learn new ways of doing things.

Source: https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/families/about-kidsmatter

Good Health to you –

Michelle the youth health nurse.
Everything you need to know about Election 2013

First time voting?
Just not sure?
Need help to cast your vote?
Can’t make it on Election Day?

Free BBQ Lunch Provided

Kingston State School Hall
Saturday 17 August
11am to 1pm

Your vote is a valuable thing.
Make sure it counts!

For more information:
Elle Price 3834 3417