FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome all new and returning families to Springwood High. It is the first time in Queensland that Year 7 students are in a secondary setting. There was much planning and preparation to support both Year 7 and Year 8 students and their transition to Springwood High has been very smooth.

Our school is part of a Springwood Education Precinct where we have developed great links and projects supporting primary students to transition to a secondary setting. We have beautifully kept, expansive grounds and ample classroom space and facilities catering for a number of specialist programs such as aerospace, dance, sports, instrumental music and academic excellence. Our Junior Secondary program has a strong literacy and numeracy focus including a number of great programs supporting improved learning outcomes through extending students and supporting students needing additional assistance. Congratulations to our students who received swimming awards at our whole school assembly after competing at our recent swimming carnival. Congratulations also, to our Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation recipients.

Springwood State High School is positioned to achieve excellent results for our senior students in 2015. The school has highly regarded training and industry links as well as focused university pathways programs, successfully preparing students from Year 10 onwards. In 2014, 93.2% of our QTAC applicants received an offer with 74.7% receiving their first and 16.5% receiving their second preference. We also had 99.1% of students receiving a QCE and 100% of students received either an OP, QCE or VET Qualification. We consistently achieve an OP 1 and well done last year to our OP 1 student.

Reinforcing positive behaviours and high attendance are areas that have been identified through parent and student feedback that will be a focus for 2015. Springwood High has been accepted into the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program, supporting students to make good choices, providing clear and consistent consequences and rewarding positive behaviour. Further information will be provided during the year regarding PBL. Our Attendance Counts Every Day (ACED) program is also a significant feature across the school. Did you know that missing just one day per fortnight equals 20 days a year which is 4 weeks a year ending up as 1.5 years across 13 years of schooling? It is great to see that so far each year level has over 90% attendance so keep up the good work.

Staff are looking forward to a very successful year and communication is a key aspect of our philosophy. Please do not hesitate to contact your child’s class teacher or administration if you have any concerns or if you have some great feedback. Information will also be provided via texts, emails, certificates and letters so make sure your details are up to date. We will also be hosting a number of information and feedback sessions on a range of topics this year and these will be advertised on our website and in newsletters.

Julie-Ann McCullough
PRINCIPAL
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**SPRINGWOOD HIGH SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2015**

In the first week of term the Springwood High Swimming Carnival was held at the Logan Aquatic Centre with excellent participation and behaviour from students on the day.

Through great participation and commitment Golden Wattle won the Junior and Senior shields and hence became the overall 2015 Springwood High Swimming Champions.

For a lodge to be successful it must have great participation from its students. For the students below, high participation, ability and commitment made them the Swimming Age Champion for 2015.

**GIRLS**

12 yrs  Emilia Lassman and Ericka Andrews
13 yrs  Rivalee Matthews
14 yrs  Alix Whitney
15 yrs  Jade Flynn
16 yrs  Caitlin Matua
Opens  Amelia Thorne

**BOYS**

12yrs  Jakob Wilson
13yrs  Lawrence Komen
14yrs  Jacob Ireland
15yrs  George Hill and Jake Atkinson
16yrs  Jordan Haniotis
Opens  Sydney Kemara

On February 16th approximately 60 students fought hard to defend our District Champions shield which we have held for the last 20yrs.

Once again congratulations to all competitors.

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**P&C AGM**

The 2015 P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 17th March** in the Administration block staff room. This meeting will take place immediately after the March general meeting which commences at 6:30pm. Hope to see you there.

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**#MATHEMATICS @SPRINGWOOD SHS**

- Free TUESDAY afternoon tutoring: Mathematics, QCST and NAPLAN Numeracy in E04 from 2.50-4pm
- will continue in week 3. Free for ALL!!!!!!

◊ You DO NEED your own calculator for every Maths class everyday.

◊ You DO NEED to glue the Bookwork rules and the Term Plan into your A4 Maths notebook.

◊ You DO NEED to have your organiser stamped on the resource fees page to collect your textbook.

◊ You Do

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**CHESS CLUB**

Wow! Chess club has started with a bang. The Maths block AIR CONDITIONED computer room has been flooded with patronage. Plenty of 8 x 8 checked boards and bone and ebony coloured models being whisked about with carefree abandon.

Students of all genders and year levels have been enjoying themselves on **Mondays 2nd break in E6**. Everyone is welcome. Play each other or pit your wits against Mr Stevens or Ms Townsend.

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**ENABLE District Schools Inaugural Chess Challenge**

All year levels and divisions (Beginners, Intermediate, Really Good Players!) @ Shailer Park SHS April 2nd

See Ms Townsend for more details or to nominate for the competition. We will be taking 10-15 students to play against students from: Shailer Park, Woodridge, Loganlea, Mabel Park, Park Ridge, Marsden….Promises to be fun.

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**NEWSLETTER EMAILED**

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◊ Student Name.................................................. Parent’s Name.................................................................

◊ Email Address................................................................. (Please print)
**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS**

A new year has begun with a great start for the Instrumental Music program. Ensembles will start from Week 3. The schedule is:

**Brass & Woodwind lessons and Symphonic Wind rehearsal** – lessons are on Monday. Symphonic Wind rehearsal is on Monday morning starting at 7:30am finishing at 8:20am. This ensemble includes all brass and woodwind students Yr 7 – 12.

**Stage Band rehearsal** – Monday afternoon starting at 2:40pm finishing at 4pm. This ensemble is for students Yr 7 – 12 for all musicians playing the instrumentation ie trumpets, saxophones.

**Drum Line lessons** – Monday. This year we are charging a levy for our Drum Line students to help cover costs within running this program. It is an annual levy of $30.

**String Ensemble rehearsal** – Wednesday afternoon starting at 2:40pm and finishing at 4pm. This ensemble includes all string players from Yr 7 – 12. String lessons are on Friday.

**Levy** – notices for the annual levy notice will be issued in the coming weeks as we finalise our student lists. All new students pay $75 and continuing students pay $60. The difference in price is due to the new students needing to cover the costs of the Polo Shirt (which families keep). If a new student has a Polo shirt from an older sibling and intend to wear the shirt then they will be charged only $60. Please let an instructor know if this is the case. Drum Line students will be charged a levy of $30. Drum Line students are not required to purchase a uniform. Levy money covers the cost of hiring buses, repairs to instruments, uniform and music purchases.

**Uniforms** – all members of the instrumental ensembles (Stage Band, Symphonic Winds and String Ensemble) please go to the uniform shop on Friday mornings so that you can be fitted for your uniform. Mrs Cullinane will be pleased to see you. Please try to complete this task in the coming weeks. Remember there are 2 uniforms – a Polo Shirt and a Formal Performance shirt. The Formal Shirt is returned at the end of the school year and the Polo Shirt is the property of the student.

All lessons times are on the timetables in the corridor in the Performing Arts Block. All rehearsals are in JB2. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the set times. Please make contact directly with your teacher if you are unable to come to a lesson. An alternative time will try to be worked out.

**Year 7 & 8 Parent Meeting** - This meeting will be on Tuesday, 16th Feb at 6:30pm in JB5. This room is under the building facing you as you drive up to the school. There will be signs directing you to JB5. This is a very important meeting for all families new to the instrumental program. Matters to be addressed at this meeting include Uniforms, Rehearsal Schedule, Code of Conduct, Concerts & Competitions, Communication and Levy Information. There will also be a chance for your questions to be answered and to meet and chat with your student’s instrumental instructor. All parents of new Instrumental students and their students are encouraged to attend.

Communication to families is made via email. All members of the Instrumental Program are encouraged to contact Penny Williams (pwill8@eq.edu.au) so that addresses can be collated. Emails are sent detailing changes to rehearsals, upcoming concerts and meetings and the opportunity for families to let us know if students are absent from school/rehearsals. Within the email please include the following information: student name, care group, instrument and ensemble group.

Reminder also that we have a very active parent support group (IMPS – Instrumental Music Parent Support group). We meet regularly and would like to see any available parents at this meeting. The first meeting of the year will be sent through to families shortly.

Any questions please forward through the school office or email Penny Williams - Instrumental Music coordinator (pwill8@eq.edu.au).

Any students wanting to join the program are very welcome.

Looking forward to another year of great music making.

Instrumental Music Staff
P & C NEWS

Canteen Murals
Thank you to Lisa Bradley, our Logan City Councillor for the $1000 donation to paint the murals on the canteen walls over the holidays. The two artists from the council have definitely brightened up the canteen exterior.

P & C Meetings
New and continuing parents and community members are invited to attend the P & C meetings held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month (unless otherwise advertised). P&C Meetings begin at 6:30pm and are usually completed in an about an hour depending on the items being discussed. Please join us, have a say in decisions and be informed on what is happening in your school. Hope to see you there!

Meeting dates :-
- Mar 17 general meeting followed by AGM
- Apr 21
- May 19
- June 16
- July 21
- Aug 18
- Sept 15
- Oct 20
- Nov 17

EFTPOS in canteen
This year the P&C has introduced EFTPOS in the canteen as a result of student (and staff) requests over the last couple of years. Please note that if using EFTPOS, ordering and paying for your food in the morning before school makes this process a little faster.

Canteen Help Wanted
With the introduction of EFTPOS there is a greater need for volunteers in the canteen especially during first break at 11am. If you would like to help out in the canteen, your help would be greatly appreciated! Please phone Judy and Julie in the canteen on 33806139 and they will be happy to help you out with a time/s and day/s to help.

Uniform Shop
* A huge thank you to Gloria Cullinane, Melanie Spedding and our volunteers Renee and Karen for the hours they put into operating the uniform shop in the back to school period. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.
* Thank you also goes to the families who have not been able to take delivery of their uniforms as yet, and who have been very understanding of the fact that we are not in control of the manufacturing of these items. Our local manufacturer has had machinery problems and aims to have the uniforms delivered to school at the earliest time possible. Once items are received in the uniform shop, the students will be notified on notices in care classes that they are ready for collection.
* Volunteers wanted – got some spare time on a Tuesday or Friday morning? Join Gloria our volunteer operator in the uniform shop from 7:45am – 9am – or any time in between.

2015 Open Afternoon & School Tours
Springwood State High School
Invites you to an Open Afternoon on Monday 23rd March between 3pm and 4.15pm, to showcase our Junior Secondary and Senior Schooling, Sports, The Arts and Extension Programs.
If you cannot make this time our Principal School Tours are an excellent option. Parents and students are provided with an opportunity to see first-hand our high quality learning and teaching program.

Open afternoon :- Monday 23rd March between 3pm and 4.15pm
Principal school tour dates :-
- Monday 16th March
- Monday 30th March
- Monday 4th May
- Monday 18th May
- Monday 1st June
- Monday 15th June

These tours will be conducted 9-10am on each Monday listed above.
The School-Based Youth Health Nurse Service

My name is Michelle and I am the School-based Youth Health Nurse. For the new members of our school community the Youth Health Nurse works with the school community on issues that may affect the health and wellbeing of young people and the school community as a whole. This includes helping with curriculum, teaching and learning activities; providing health information and referral; supporting the development of an environment and school culture that supports health and wellbeing; and working with community and other services. I enjoy working with young people to help them make healthy choices in their lives.

The nurse works alongside young people, school staff and families to:

- Promote health and wellbeing
- Create a supportive, healthy school environment (a health promoting school)
- Connect people with other support services

In individual consultations the nurse can provide health and wellbeing information about:
- Healthy eating and physical activity
- Feeling unhappy, stressed or very worried
- Healthy relationships at home and at school
- Personal and family problems
- Healthy body image
- Growth and development
- Sexual health
- Smoking, alcohol and other drugs with regards to themselves or other people around them.

In most cases, it is best for young people to talk to their parents about health and wellbeing issues. The nurse can support young people to do this.

Confidentiality

Young people have a right to confidentiality when accessing health services, just as an adult does. However, if I assess that they are not able to understand the implications of the health issue now and in the future, I will often make a phone call home about important issues for the younger students. Also, there are some safety issues by law I have to refer on or act upon. When a student comes to see me I explain what circumstances these are.

At times other services can provide more appropriate or further help or support for young people. The Youth Health Nurse will discuss the options for working with other services or linking young people with the right service.

Parents and carers of young people can contact me up until 4 pm on Mondays and Thursdays via the school. Please phone the office to arrange to speak to me.

Good Health

Michelle the school-based youth health nurse

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Need help managing stress or anxiety?

If your child or teen has difficulties with anxiety or just seems to have too many worries, we would like to introduce you to BRAVE Self-Help – an interactive, online program for the prevention and treatment of childhood and adolescent anxiety. It was developed by a group of researchers from the University of Queensland and now, with the support of beyondblue, this program is now freely available to all young people aged 8 -17 years old who are living in Australia. BRAVE Self-Help provides strategies for children and teenagers to better cope with their worries. There are 4 programs available, one for children aged 8-12 years, one for teenagers aged 12-17 years and one for parents of children at these ages respectively. The program can be accessed as often as you like, from the comfort of your own home. For more information, or to register for the program, please visit www.brave4you.psy.uq.edu.au.

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PARK RIDGE FOOTBALL CLUB SIGN ON 2015

Hubner Park Hubner Road Park Ridge

Self registration via My Football Club
(you will still need to confirm with the Club before you are fully registered)

Sign on: Information and confirmation of registration
Every Training Night: 6pm to 8pm and Saturday 31st January 9am to 2pm
Enquiries to Lenette 0427 301 319 or Mick 0411 864 937
mick@parkridgesoccer.net

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Springwood Pumas AFC
Lowe Oval, Sports Drive Underwood 4119
(Accent entrance behind Logan North Library off Sports Drive)

playAFL
Ages 5 -16
Come join, meet some new friends and have some fun!
Springwood High Carnival

30th May
11 am - 4 pm

Entertainment for all ages
Rides
Food
Stalls
Showbags
and lots more...

www.springwoshs.eq.edu.au
Springwood High Carnival

30th May
11am - 4pm

Springwood State High School Community would like to invite you to have a stall at our Carnival! Sites are available for food vendors and market stalls.

Book a Stall Today!!

Contact us for a Stall Registration Form
E: kwest185@eq.edu.au
P: 3380 6111  F: 3380 6100

Springwood High Carnival
2015
RIDE ARMBANDS

Rides include:
Hurricane * Sizzler * Giant Chair Ride
Giant Slide * Cup N Saucer
Jumping Castle

Purchase your Ride Armband before the day and save!
Early Bird price $30 per person
Allows unlimited rides between 11am & 3.45pm
Available on the day at a cost of $35 per person

Pay by EFTPOS, cash or credit card at the office
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday between 8.30 & 11am or Direct Deposit into the school account
Account name: Springwood State High School
BSB: 064-170  Account number 00900094
Please put the reference ARM and your last name important as this information is required to allocate the payment (Available to all, including non school families)

RIDE ARMBAND CREDIT CARD DEDUCTION AUTHORITY

Please tick ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa ($10 MINIMUM)

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Contact Phone Number (daytime) __________________________
SUBWAY

School Lunch Collection
Subway Six Inch® subs

Veggie Delite $4
Ham $4.50
Chicken Strips $5

All orders can be taken at Breakfast program and Chappy’s office during breaks Wed ONLY.
Delivery 1st Break THURSDAY
Have you checked out your new eDiary?

View homework assigned to you by your teachers, school events, announcements or enter notes and other reminders.

The first step is to activate your account. You have been emailed an invitation with an activation link. If you can’t see the email in your inbox, please check your ‘Junk’ or ‘Spam’ folder in case your invitation landed there. You will need to click on the activation link in the email to log in to your account.

Where has my invite been sent?

Student emails have been sent to their MIS (EQ/school) email address. Parent emails have been sent to the email address held on file by the school.

What happens if I didn’t receive an invite?

Ask an eDiary administrator for another invitation (email rodon45@eq.edu.au).

If you have changed email addresses or have not provided the school with an email and would like to access the eDiary, please email rodon45@eq.edu.au.

Where is my eDiary located?

Your eDiary web address is: https://springwoodshs.myediary.com.au/
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. 123456789X). 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.

Paying via Internet Banking: Direct Payment into School Bank Account
- 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 3380 6111 Tuesday to Friday between 8am - 12.00 midday. (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.

Paying in Person: Payment by Credit Card, Debit Card, Cash, Cheque or Money Order:
Payment can be made at the school Payment Office Tuesday – Thursday 8am – 12.00 midday (Closed Mondays and Fridays)
Credit Card and Debit Cards (EFTPOS), Cash, Cheques and Money Orders are accepted.

PAYMENT WINDOW CLOSED EVERY MONDAY AND FRIDAY

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. Should 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.

PLEASE NOTE:
STUDENT ABSENTEE LINE

Telephone: 3380 6103
Or
Email absences to:
attendance@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, this includes no writing on protective case.
- Do not put stickers on the laptop.

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 prior to the completion of each school year for annual software updates.
# ORDER FORM

**SPRINGWOOD STATE HIGH SCHOOL**  
P & C ASSOCIATION  
UNIFORM SHOP PHONE: 3380 6163  
Email : Uniformshop@springwshs.eq.edu.au

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| Tab Shorts        | 14-32 |     | 33      |        |
| Trousers          | 16-32 |     | 42      |        |

| UNISEX            |       |     |         |        |
| Sports Polo       | 12-24 |     | 25      |        |
| Sports Shorts     | 12-24 |     | 25      |        |
| Jumper            | 12-26 |     | 25      |        |
| Fleecy Jacket     |       |     | 40      |        |
| Cap               |       |     | 10      |        |
| Tie – Senior Yr 10-12 |   |     | 22      |        |
| Lined, black, micro fibre track pants | 10-24 | | 32 | |

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Signature: ___________________________ (for credit card only) Expiry Date on Card: ___________________________

Student/Parent signature – Goods Received ______________________ Date______________

Payment is not required until collection. The uniform shop is open Term 1 & 4 from 7.30am – 9.00am and Terms 2 & 3 from 7:45am - 9:00am on Tuesdays and Fridays (or by prior appointment) and is located at the end of ‘H’ Block. Email orders welcome.

**effective 1 November 2014**
There are 195 school days in 2015. Semester 1 2015 commences for teachers on January 22 and for students on January 27.

**STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

Staff professional development days for teachers are January 22 and 23, and October 19, with three additional flexible days. Schools are able to decide when their flexible days will be held, as long as they are in the school holidays or out-of-school hours.

**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Public holidays are set by the Industrial Relations Minister. Public holidays for a local show are not shown due to diversity of dates across the state.

**FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

November 20 is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. November 27 is the final date for student attendance in years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the Summer holidays on December 4.

All other state primary, secondary and special schools will close on December 11.

In 2016, all state schools will re-open for students on January 25.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication (August 2014) but may be subject to change.

For more information and the latest version of this calendar, visit [www.education.qld.gov.au](http://www.education.qld.gov.au)

Great state. Great opportunity.