Active School Travel
Walking Wheeling
Wednesday
Active School Travel’s colourful ‘Roadstar’ and his friends ‘Red’ and ‘Green’ were special guests at Parade on Monday when they re-launched Active School Travel for 2014. Our dedicated Active Travel Day is Walking Wheeling Wednesday again this year and we will have a great breakfast to welcome all active travellers next Wednesday, 12 February at 8.15am in the tuckshop. We know that everyone is different, so there are lots of ways you can actively travel to school. How will you actively travel to school?

Walk
Leave the car at home and walk your kids to school. If you live too far away, drive part of the way and walk the rest. We call that “Park and Stride”.

Ride
Ride a bike or scooter with your children to school. It’s legal to ride on the footpath and remember to always have your helmet secured.

Public Transport
For bus, train and ferry timetables, visit www.translink.com.au, or phone 13 12 30.

Carpool
Find a friend and carpool to school. It’s an easy way to save money and time. Talk to other parents in your child’s class or at music and sport to see who is going your way.

All students will receive an Active School Travel passport. Students who actively travel to schools on Wednesdays will collect stamps and earn lots of great rewards this year. So be an active traveller and remember that EVERY Wednesday is Walking Wheeling Wednesday.

Great Results Guarantee
Our school has received additional funding from the Great Results Guarantee and we need to decide how we can use this money to better support our students and improve their outcomes.

We are now working to develop our own Great Results Guarantee with evidence-based strategies and actions to improve literacy and numeracy. Read more about the guarantee at www.education.qld.gov.au/resultsguarantee. Come along to the February P&C meeting on Tuesday 11 February at 7pm in the Activities Room to find out more.

After School Supervision
When the school bell goes at 3pm, children are asked to go straight home or go to after school care. Children may play for a short time in the school grounds if they are supervised by a parent or another adult. Please make sure that children are supervised at all times and that they keep their shoes and socks on to prevent injuries.

School Car Park
Please remember that pedestrians are not allowed in the Waldheim Street car park for their own safety. Trucks and cars use this car park and we want to ensure the safety of all members of our community.

Please use the pedestrian gates on Waldheim Street. Please also remember that this car park is for staff only between 8am and 4pm.

Uniform Shop
As mentioned last week, in the wake of Alan Tinto’s departure a team of helpers is needed to run the uniform shop! We need helpers to go on a roster for Thursday afternoon from 2pm to 3:15pm and Friday morning 8am to 9:15am for the first half of the year. Please consider helping out in this way and if you are interested contact Amanda Hoffmann myofficebooks4u@gmail.com.

Late Arrivals and Early Departures
Please ensure you sign your child in and out in the book located at the office should they arrive late (after the bell) or leaving early (before the 3pm bell). Should there be an emergency it is important to know exactly how many students are present on site to ensure they are all accounted for. If a student is away for the day, please remember to notify us by leaving a brief message on our absentee line – 3426 4360.

Online Newsletter
This will be our last printed newsletter as we are moving to an online format. A letter is included with this newsletter that provides further information and contains a section to complete to ensure that you will be able to receive the online newsletter. Please complete this form and return to the office as soon as possible.

Christine Wood
Principal
Foyer Displays for 2014

Term 1

Two weeks beginning:
Monday 3 February LOTE
Monday 17 February 6/7MD

Tuckshop Times

Hello everyone; what a busy first week back. Hope you all had a wonderful time. Tuckshop is open this week and we are having a very special food day Cheeseburgers, so don’t forget to put your order in.

The new menu for Term 1 2014 will be out soon with a few changes.

For those new to our school, tuckshop is open for over counter sales on Thursdays and Fridays, lunch orders from either our menu or Special Lunch Days are both available on Fridays, money and orders to be given to teachers on Thursday mornings.

Menu News: Please remember on special food days wherever possible, we are happy to help with a vegetarian option. Also our chicken fingers and chicken patties for our burgers are all halal. If you ever miss getting a copy of the menu, please visit our school website www.junctionparks.eq.edu.au, see us at the tuckshop or pick up a copy from the school office.

Tracey and Angela.
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Gung Hay Fat Choy

Year 1D welcomed the Chinese New Year at our Junior Assembly last Friday with their chant of ‘Gung Hay Fat Choy’ meaning best wishes, congratulations and have a prosperous and good year. Our very own Junction Park Lion was the main attraction as he winked and opened his mouth very widely accompanied by the students beating drums and tambourines and welcoming in the Year of the Horse!

Junction Park String Program

Lessons and ensembles for continuing string players will commence for the year on Thursday 13 February (week 3 of school).

Junction Park String Orchestra will start rehearsals from the same day, so all string students in grade 5, 6, or 7 should be in the new music room (above Ms Hodgson’s room) at 7:45am on Thursday 13 February for our first rehearsal of the year.

I look forward to seeing you all soon!
Ellen Harle
Strings Teacher

Art Studio News

The children will be learning all about a fabulous artist originating from Mexico, Frida Kahlo. Tying in with this is our fete theme for 2014 Tropicana Carnivale. Can you help with things? We need to fashion fabulous artistic creations? We need:—

- Brightly coloured materials
- Artificial flowers and fruits
- Wool – bright colours
- Tinsel, baubles
- Shiny, bright paper and cardboard
- Fake skulls
- Any Mexican ornaments, flags etc.

Please send to school in a plastic bag, and leave outside the art room. Thank you!
Susi Watson
Art Teacher

Parent Liaison Officer

Greetings! Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered to be a class parent rep for their child’s class. This is a great way to be involved in your son’s or daughter’s schooling life. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact me.

Also a reminder our very first P&C meeting is on next Tuesday, 11 February at 7pm in the activities room.

Maria Grimston
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Destroying the reef is beyond belief …. Saving would be a big relief. Stop the fishes crying and stop the beauty dying.

Sisi is leading a campaign to send letters to the Environment Minister, Greg Hunt to do everything we can to stop sludge being dumped 20 km from the Great Barrier Reef.

Templates will be available for students and their parents to express their thoughts on the reef, and why we want to stop dumping before it begins. Each week we will send off letters from the school community. We need you. Sisi and friends will be helping every Tuesday for students who need help to write and draw their thoughts.

School Talk

Parents and students are invited to attend the first term 1 P&C meeting on Tuesday, 11 February at 7pm in the activities room.

5/02/2014
Prep classes

Please return library books to the class teacher the day BEFORE the library lesson.

P-2 classes need a library bag to protect their books. Please have your child’s first name and surname on the bag, as well as their class. This makes borrowing much quicker and easier, as the computer searches by their surname.

All classes will discuss the MIS (Managed Internet Service) used by the Department of Education (DETE) and Cybersafety in Week 1.

Library lessons in Term 1 will focus on the “Junction Park SS hero” and their qualities of “heart” – care and concern, as well as courage. This will be done using literature and information literacy lessons.

We will also look at the ANZACs as heroes in the final two weeks of Term 1.

Book Fair – please put the date in your calendar. Our annual Book Fair is from 10 to 14 March with Late Night Shopping on Wednesday 12 March, until 7pm.

Book Club Issue 1 2014

The orders and money are due at the school office by 3pm on Wednesday, 12 February. Please put the order and correct money in an envelope marked “Book Club”. Credit card orders are preferred. Follow the instructions on the order form. You will be given a receipt number to put on the order form. The school does not have access to your details. No late orders can be accepted. The order does not go in (online) until 12 February no matter how early you put your order in. The purchases usually arrive within two weeks of the due date for orders.

Welcome BBQ Evening 13 February

The library will be open for “a look” from 4 – 5pm. Please feel welcome to browse.

Mrs Karen Murphy and Mrs Holly Taylor, Teacher Librarians & Mrs Joy Duthie, Teacher Aide

Fees Policy

* Fees are charged for the full term;
* If your child misses a lesson occasionally a refund will not be given (the club still incurs the expenses for the lesson);
* If there are spaces available you can make up a missed lesson;
* If due to the pool being closed or the coach is away, the club is happy to offer either a credit or make up lesson;
* Refunds are not usually available unless for a certain medical reason, i.e. broken bone or illness that will prevent returning to swimming;
* A deposit is required when booking your child in for their first lesson;
* Payments can be made in instalments as long as they are paid in full by the end of term.

Winter Swimming

We are currently working on the possibility of keeping the pool open into 2nd term. If you are definitely interested in this option, please talk to Jennifer.

Are you interested in being involved in the Jets Swim Club Committee? Again, please talk to Jennifer.

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5/02/2014
Brisbane City Council in conjunction with Coolsports are running a free sports program at Tarragindi Recreation Reserve, corner Shaftesbury Street and Weller Road, Tarragindi on Wednesdays from 5 February to 26 March from 3:30pm until 4:30pm.

Not sure what local sports club your child should join? Come along and experience a different sport each week. Find the sport that’s right before signing up. Parents are encouraged to join in.

Come and join the fun! No need to book, just show up!

***NOW ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH***
Annerley & Districts Blue Light Dance Party
Next Dance:
Friday 7 February 2014
Friday 7 March 2014
AGES: 7years. – 15years
TIME: 7pm-9.30pm
COST: $10.00
PLACE: Marymac Community Centre
(616 Ipswich Road, Annerley)
CONTACT: Senior Constable Lisa VOYSEY or Constable Rachel CUCKSON, Annerley Police Station Telephone: 3892 8222.
Supervised by Police & Community members.No smoking, no alcohol, no drugs, no objectionable behaviour.

Keyboard for Sale
Casio with stand $60
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