



WOODLINKS

STATE SCHOOL

Only Our Best,  
Everyone,  
Everyday

## DATE CLAIMERS:

### 13 July

P&C Meeting 6:30pm

### 15 July

Prep 100th Day

### 18 July

Parade 2:30pm

### 25 July

Parade 2:30pm

### 1 August

Parade 2:30pm

### 8 August

Parade 2:30pm

### 15 August

Parade 2:30pm

### 10-17 August

Book Fair

### 22 August

Parade 2:30pm

### 29 August

Parade 2:30pm

### 1 September

Yr 2 Excursion—Lone Pine

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## WoodLinks Reads to Succeed!

Last term we received great news that our school had been successful in winning the Regional Showcase award for our reading program. This award is a great honour for our school and the hard work of our staff, students and parents. Well done WoodLinks! Our school will receive \$1000 that will go towards reading resources for our classrooms.

**Our application now goes to the state panel where results will be know at the end of August. Good Luck WoodLinks!**



### Attendance – Everyday Counts

Over the holidays you may have received a letter regarding your child/children's attendance. This letter is generated from our attendance data. Please do not be alarmed if you have received a letter as long as you are informing the school and explaining absences you are following procedures. We have this information recorded on our attendance system.

Attendance is monitored daily and phone calls are made home by the administration staff so that we know where our students are. The safety, well-being and academic achievement of our students is very important.

If you are having issues with getting your child to school, please discuss this with your teacher or make an appointment at the office.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club operates on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and is sponsored by YMCA and Goodna RSL. Last term we received a freezer to store the food for brekky club. Thank you to our amazing teachers who continue to ensure that breakfast club is operating for our students. On Thursday we have been lucky to receive support for volunteers from Centro Church.

To welcome everyone back to school for term 3, Centro Church will be providing pancakes. We look forward to seeing you all at Brekky Club on Thursday morning from 8:15am.

### Triple P offers free parenting help

Sick of nagging your kids to get ready? Find out how Triple P strategies fixed this problem for a Queensland family, plus get tips that work, recipes and more, in your Triple P parent Tippaper. Read it online now at [www.triplep-parenting.net.au/qld-uken/blog-and-more/queensland-parent-magazine/](http://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/qld-uken/blog-and-more/queensland-parent-magazine/).

### Links to the Future – WoodLinks students in 2020

#### What would you like our school to be?

Over the next 4 months our school will be working towards the WoodLinks Strategic Plan for 2017-2020. What do you think students in the next 4 years need from WoodLinks State School? We would like to know from parents/carers what a student in 2020 will need for the future.

## *from the Principal's Desk continued.....*

To help WoodLinks strive for the best school we can be, we invite you to guide our work by imagining:

- After seven years of schooling at WoodLinks, it is your child's graduation day in 2020;
- You are thrilled with your child's education and experiences and with your family's involvement at WoodLinks.
- You're writing an email or letter to a close family or friend you want to share this wonderful experience! At this special time you think about ....

You can help with the strategic plan by writing a letter to the WoodLinks Student of 2020. You can email this letter, [principal@woodlinksss.eq.edu.au](mailto:principal@woodlinksss.eq.edu.au) or give the letter to the office where there will be a letterbox. We would love to keep these letters to share with students in 2020. We would like to receive these letter by Friday 12 August. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Candy Topp (P&C President) or [pandc@woodlinksss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@woodlinksss.eq.edu.au)

## **Super Readers of the Week**



**Vicki Caldwell**

**Principal**

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## ATTENDANCE

At WoodLinks SS we believe that attendance matters! By attending school everyday students have the very best opportunity to achieve success. Each week we monitor individual and class student attendance. We celebrate attendance every Monday at Assembly with the announcement of the previous weeks winners. In Prep-Year 2, classes are involved in a weekly horse race and in Years 3-6, students are involved in a superhero race (located outside the library). The WoodLinks Attendance Policy can be found on our website.

'Every day counts' is a state wide initiative that aims to assist in improving student attendance at school through a shared commitment by students, parents, caregivers, schools and the community.

To do this, Every day counts promotes four key messages:

- all children should be enrolled at school and attend on every school day
- schools should monitor, communicate and implement strategies to improve regular school attendance
- truanting can place a student in unsafe situations and impact on their future employability and life choices
- attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

Please watch the following videos which aim to explain the importance of coming to school every day.  
Jonathan Thurston 'Attendance Counts'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b9ilBeJ5CUs&list=PLgfv5epyrnQDLNMTmhLA6z-cssQylcsvN&index=5>

Attendance adds up

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VniGVhJb-SM&index=3&list=PLgfv5epyrnQDLNMTmhLA6z-cssQylcsvN>

Attendance animation ' Every day counts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=libK7b-IDgA&feature=youtu.be>

## School Opinion Survey

The 2016 School Opinion Survey is available for completion this month. We value parent feedback to celebrate our success and guide our future planning. Each family will receive a letter on Friday inviting parent/ carer participation. Each letter contains the web address for completing the survey and a unique code for accessing the WoodLinks survey page. Please take a moment to complete the survey prior to the closing date of July 29, 2016.



## Curriculum Conversations

Welcome back to Term 3!! We have lots of great events happening this term and we are looking forward to sharing in these with you. Add these dates to your calendar.

- \* Prep 100 Days – Week 1 Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of July
- \* Book Fair – 3<sup>rd</sup> of August to the 17<sup>th</sup> of August
- \* Science Week – Week 6
- \* Premier's Reading Challenge Finishes – 26<sup>th</sup> of August
- \* Writer's Festival Excursion for Poetry Competition Winners – 9<sup>th</sup> of September

At the end of term 2 and this week our teachers have been working together to plan their English units for term 3. The teachers work in year levels groups to ensure there is consistency throughout the classrooms. We begin by looking at the assessment and 'backward' plan the unit from there, this ensures students are being taught the key elements that they require for the assessment. Keep a look out for curriculum newsletters that will be sent home in the coming week.

### Premier's Reading Challenge

We still have another month before the Premier's Reading Challenge finishes. Please be getting in those reading record forms. A big CONGRATULATIONS to 2A who have all completed the challenge. Well done!! Don't forget we also want your reading record sheets, once completed hand these into the office.

### Poetry Competition

Our poetry competition finished at the end of last term and winners will be announced next week on parade. Our winners will be heading off to the State Library in September to participate in the Annual Brisbane Writer's Festival, there they will take part in two workshops "Wordburger" with David Astle and "Let's Get Spooky" with Lee Battersby.

All entries in our poetry competition are now eligible to be entered into the Ipswich Poetry Feast, Entry Forms will be sent home this week.

Until next time.

**Mrs Lesley Gollan**  
**Head of Curriculum**

## STLaN News

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope everyone enjoyed a restful and relaxing break and have returned to school recharged and ready to go.

The LLI (Levelled Literacy Intervention) program will recommence this week. With the help of Melissa and Kate, we are currently supporting small groups of children in Year 1, 2 and 4. LLI supports learning in both reading and writing, helps students expand their knowledge of language and words and how they work. The goal of LLI is to bring students to year level achievement in reading. The efficacy and success of this program has been widely investigated and the development of the program was driven by what prior research has established about how children learn to read. We are looking forward to continuing to support staff and students across the school with their reading attainment levels this term.

There are many reasons why children may experience difficulties in learning. In the coming weeks I aim to explore some of the theories around these 'roadblocks' and perhaps offer some insight into how we can support these children. It is important to remember however, that all children develop at different rates but if you have any concerns about your child's academic or social/ emotional development please do not hesitate to discuss these concerns with your child's teacher.

**Jennifer Seib**  
**STLaN**



## HPE News

Welcome back to another busy term in HPE.

This term we will have the Central District Athletics Carnival occurring in week 5. I will be notifying the students who have made the school team next week. They will receive a letter outlining the events and day/s they will need to attend.

### Swimming

In the past WoodLinks SS had a swimming program that was offered to Year 1-3. This was cancelled due to parents not committing and paying for the program. I am looking at reintroducing this program in term 4 as I believe it is important for students to learn water safety. This program will have a cost involved as we will need to pay for buses, teachers and the venue. I would just like to give you a heads up so that you know what is expected and you can plan for costs for the event. The program will be open to Year 1-3 students. A venue has not been chosen yet therefore costs are still unknown. When I have finalised the program a note will be sent home with the students.

*"Make sure your worst enemy doesn't live between your own two ears."*

*Laird Hamilton.*

**Mr Artates**  
**HPE Teacher**



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Creative Industries Campus

# Open Day

Saturday 23 July  
1pm - 4pm

Join our Global Celebration

A selective entry state high school for highly capable senior students  
Learn more at [qaci.eq.edu.au](http://qaci.eq.edu.au) or call 3377 9366

61 Musk Avenue, Kelvin Grove



## *Uniform Shop*

**Monday 8.30 - 9.30am and Wednesday 2.30 - 3.30pm**

Please remember that there are **NO EFTPOS** facilities in the Uniform shop.

### **CASH ONLY**

**Can you help out in the uniform shop? If so, please see Melissa in the uniform shop.**

## *Absence Line*

Remember if your child is going to be away please call the

**Absence Line: 3381 4688**

and leave a message stating child's name / class / and brief reason.  
(ie—sick/doctors appointment etc)

**a reason MUST be left or the absence will be recorded as UNEXPLAINED**

## *School Banking*

### **BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY**

**Remember to fill out your deposit slip.** Give your bank book to your teacher to be placed into the silver satchel. Every time you bank you will receive a silver token, once you have 10 tokens you can claim for one of the reward prizes available in each term.

If you haven't opened up your CBA school banking account yet, please head to your closest CBA branch with your child's birth certificate and get started.

## *Finance*

**Banking days have been changed to Wednesday & Thursdays - 8:30am - 1:00pm.**

### **STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME FEE**

If you haven't returned your Student Resource Scheme form, please check your child's bag as they should have been given another form (not green) for completion. If you **DO NOT** wish to participate you still need to return the form so we know. If you agree to participate, please complete the form and return it to the office ASAP and a invoice will be created and sent home.

Any problems please contact the office on 3381 4666.



## TRIVIA NIGHT -

- DATE:** 6 AUGUST 2016
- TIME:** STARTING WITH A SAUSAGE SIZZLE AT 6PM
- TRIVIA TO START AT 8PM
- PLACE:** IPSWICH PCYC, GRIFFITHS ROAD, IPSWICH
- COST:** \$10 PER PERSON  
TEAMS OF 6
- FOOD:** CHEESE/FRUIT/BISCUIT PLATTERS WILL BE AVAILABLE BUT MUST BE PREORDERED AND PREPAID: \$15
- CHIPS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
- DRINK:** BEER, WINE, SOFT DRINK AND WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
- PRIZES:** LUCKY DOOR PRIZE  
MULTI DRAW RAFFLE  
\$2 PER TICKET OR 3 FOR \$5
- RSVP:** Wendy O'Neill  
[LETR.Old@police.qld.gov.au](mailto:LETR.Old@police.qld.gov.au) or  
Deanne Smith  
[dsm1229@jeq.edu.au](mailto:dsm1229@jeq.edu.au)





## Volunteers Wanted for Kitchen Garden Program

The success of this unique and exciting Program relies on the support of volunteers.

There is nothing more satisfying than sharing a delicious meal created with fresh produce that you have grown from seed to harvest. Every term over 200 school children share in this experience as part of the Kitchen Garden Program at WoodLinks State School.

You don't have to be a green thumb or a naked chef, you just have to love growing food, eating food and being with children.

If you would like to volunteer in the kitchen or garden, whether you have one hour to spare or a whole afternoon, we would love to hear from you.

Contact: Deborah Farrell  
On: 07 33814666  
dfarr82@eq.edu.au





## GREAT FUN

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



## OSHC NEWS

### OSHC Information.

Are you looking for before or after school care? Our friendly staff at Camp Australia opens from 6am-8:45am every morning and 3:00pm- 6:00pm every afternoon.

At before school care we have a range of light activities and games for the children to participate in. We also offer cereal, toast, fruit and milo for breakfast. Children who are in Prep will be walked to class each morning.

Afterschool care offers a range of different outdoor and inside activities to suit every child's interest. We also offer a yummy afternoon tea. The preps will be picked up from class by a staff member and walked to afterschool care.

If you need any help or question answered please contact the service on ph. 0431 774 205

Alternatively you can call Camp Australia head office on 1300 105 343

### Program Details

#### This month at OSHC –

**Come along and have some fun, every afternoon we have a range of different activities to get excited about!!**

**Become a Better Buddies; are you kind, friendly, helpful and caring? We are looking for our term 1 Better Buddies that show all the above.**

#### Don't forget –

- All new students need to be enrolled online prior to starting.
- All children need to remember a hat for outside play at OSHC.
- Term 1 medication forms need to be signed and any new contact information updated. (please go to the camp Australia website)
- Also don't forget if your child attends any outside sports/activities they will need to have a permission slip to allow us to walk them to and from OSHC (Please see staff)

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)