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Welcome Back to Term 2

I would like to welcome all of our families back following the Easter holidays and hope that you had an enjoyable break. I would particularly like to welcome the families who have joined our school community this term. This is the first newsletter for term 2 and already the term is promising to be very busy. Major events already have included the Cross Country and Anzac Day with Interschool Sport, NAPLAN, Mother's Day Stall, Year 6 Camp, the Artist in Residence Program, Bookfair, Readers' Cup and the Athletics Carnivals to come.

NAPLAN National Testing for Years 3, 5 and 7

The Year 3/5/7 tests will be conducted on 13th, 14th and 15th May, 2014. These tests will be held in numeracy and literacy for all students in Australia in Years 3, 5 & 7. Results will be reported to parents once they are available to schools later in the year. These confidential reports will show your child's results against key national information in each year level.

Our school will use the information in a number of ways, primarily to better identify students requiring additional support, and to identify strengths and improvement areas in teaching programs. While the NAPLAN report is an important measure of how all students are performing, it is important to remember that it is only one aspect of the school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace the more extensive and informed judgements made by our highly skilled and experienced teachers.

Parents concerned about their students undertaking the tests should talk with their classroom Teacher or a member of the Administration. Parents can withdraw their students from the tests under certain circumstances.

It is important that students receive ongoing support at home throughout the year in developing literacy and numeracy skills. For tips and information please visit www.education.qld.gov.au/parents/map For information about NAPLAN tests please visit www.naplan.edu.au

Readers Are Succeeders!

The "Readers Are Succeeders" Home Reading Program has proved to be a major success and it is wonderful to see the support of parents in aiming to improve all the students reading skills and levels. Reading is just so important to our life chances and to success in all other subjects. Many students have been presented with their 25 night certificate and we have already started presenting the special reading bookmarks to those who have read for 50 nights. I wonder who will be the first to the 75 night certificate?

The other competition has been the class competition. At the end of Term 1, 3C and 6A were the winners and the results in terms of the number of nights read by all the students in the class are published below. The class competition started afresh from the first Tuesday of term – so keep reading!

Junior School

Prep A	Prep B	Prep C	Prep/1 D	1A	1B	1C	2A	2B	2C	2D	3A	3B	3C
428	300	400	428	423	377	320	333	401	329	268	320	349	503

Senior School

3/4D	4A	4B	5A	5B	5C	6A	6B	6/7C	6/7D
303	401	403	380	346	244	483	441	338	351

Artist in Residence

The Artist in Residence will commence in the week commencing Monday 19 May. Notes will go home about the program on Monday and I commend this program to you. Students have the opportunity to work with an artist and to develop their skills further to what is offered at school. The program will culminate with our Art Show to be held in the Woodgate Hall on Thursday 19 June. We aim to have a piece of work by all students in the school at this show and it is always a must see as it showcases the artistic talents of the students in our school.

Anzac Day Ceremony

Last week, our staff and students participated in a number of Anzac Day activities. During the week our Teachers shared with students some of the stories and traditions of the ANZACS.

On Thursday all of our students participated in a commemorative service. Our school captains and other leaders addressed the assembly regarding the significance of Anzac Day and students from each year level laid a wreath. Students learnt about the customs and traditions associated with Anzac Day ceremonies. My thanks to

Ms Thompson for organizing the ceremony and Mrs Sellars for her work with the choir and that very moving song. Thank you to the parents and relatives, who attended to support their students and the school.

National Walk Safely to School Day Friday 23 May

Well it's that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes it also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 23 May 2014! Last year we had 248 students and in 2012 - 347 students walk to school, so let's see if we can beat it this year. Every student who walks will receive a sticker and go in the draw for a prize from the tuckshop.

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au

Cross Country

Finally, following a rain delay and some unseasonable hot weather, our Cross Country races have been completed for 2014. It was great to see the level of sportsmanship and support for all of the competitors by students, staff and parents and all the students trying their best. My thanks to Mr Gislingham for preparing the students for the races and for his organisation of the events, for the support of the staff in running the carnivals and for the large number of parents who came along to support their students. The result of the Cross Country was as follows:

Amaroo - 875

Wallaba - 785

Koorong - 728

The age champions for each of the year levels/ages are listed below:

Prep - Ollie & Zarley

Year 1 - Troy & Caitlin

Year 2 - Lachlan & Montana

Year 3 - Lachlan & Arielle

9 Yr olds - Joshua & Emily

10 Yr olds - Noah & Grace

11 Yr olds - Thomas & Tamiah

12 Yr olds - Rio & Tamara

13 Yr olds - Cody

School News



Dates of Significance

Term 2

Term Two– Dates of Significance						
	Week Commencing	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 3	5/05/14		Whole School Assembly			
Week 4	12/05/14		NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	

	NAPLAN	Senior assembly 2:15pm	Year 6 Camp Junior assembly 2:15pm	Year 6 Camp	Year 6 Camp	Year 6 Camp
Week 5	19/05/14 Artist in Residence	Cluster Sport	P&C Meeting Junior assembly 2:15pm			Senior Assembly District Cross Country
Week 6	26/05/14 Artist in Residence	Cluster Sport	Chappy Week– Free Dress Day Junior assembly 2:15pm			Senior Assembly
Week 7	2/06/14	Cluster Sport	Whole School Assembly 2:10pm			
Week 8	9/06/14	Queen's Birthday Holiday	Junior assembly 2:15pm			
Week 9	16/06/14	Cluster Sport	P&C Meeting		Art Show	Senior assembly

			Junior assembly 2:15pm			
Week 10	23/06/14	Senior assembly 2:15pm	Junior assembly 2:15pm	Field Events	Junior Sports Day	Senior Sports day

Week 1

Junior	Senior
PA - Ryan & Jett	3/4D -
PB -	4A -
PC-	4B -
P/1 D -	5A -
1A -	5B -
1B -	5C -
1C -	6A -
2A -	6B -
2B -	6/7C -
2C - Madeline	6/7D -
2D - Jayden	
3A - Byron & Persia	
3B - Candice & Jacob	
3C - Jade	

Week 2

Junior	Senior
PA - Ashlee & Lenayah	3/4D -Shane & Hollie
PB -Cameron & Kayla	4A - Bailey & Emily
PC-Rohan & Kahlia	4B -Kirra & Tahlia
P/1 D -Keely & Ranui	5A -
1A -Jake & Amelia	5B -
1B -Justine & Ethan	5C -Matariki & Joshua
1C -Jeremy & Lily	6A -Malakai & Bree
2A -Tobe & Jackson	6B -Pam & Addy
2B -Hayley & Kurtis	6/7C -Rheanna
2C -Damon & Mason	6/7D -Bethanie
2D -Nickolas & Amelia	
3A -Destiny & Luke	
3B -Kiana & Dekyn	
3C -	

Sports News

AFL AUSKICK

For more information about AUSKICK please [click here](#).

Special Needs News

STUDENT SERVICES

Excursions and Payments Due

Activity	Year Level	Amount	Date Due
Student Resource Scheme	ALL	\$20 (Instalments)	NOW
Year 6 Camp - Tallebudgera	Year 6	\$200	9th May 2014
Interschool Sport	Year 4 -7	\$35	7th May 2014

Library News

May National Family Reading Month

The library will be hosting its annual **Book Fair** from Monday 19th May to Friday 23rd May in the library. The past six years have been very successful in providing quality resources to children. We hope that you will continue to support our wonderful event. For the families who have not been to one of our Book Fairs, it is a unique opportunity for families to purchase quality books and fun stationery products at reasonable prices. The dates and times are as follows.

MON 19th MAY 11:30am to 4pm

TUES 20th MAY 7.45am to 6:00pm – OPEN LATE FOR PARENTS

WED 21st MAY 7.45am to 4pm

THURS 22nd MAY 7.45am to 4pm

FRI 23rd MAY 8am to 11:00am

Student Absence Line

We have a convenient absence line that you can call to inform us if your child is not going to be at school. Please follow the steps below to ensure we have all the correct information.



Student Absence Line

5514 7366

- **Students name**
- **Class**
- **Reason for absence**

Student Banking



We have some wonderful new rewards this year!

Students can begin ordering rewards now

Just a few points to remember when completing your student banking:

- Fill out deposit slip completely
- Include STUDENT ID on deposit slip (If you don't know your child's student ID please see the office)
- Keep all tokens at home until ready to redeem
- No foreign currency will be accepted

When your child is ready to redeem his/her tokens please complete a reward coupon and hand it in with your bank book on banking day. Reward coupons can be found in the student banking information pack. These can be collected from the office if you don't have one.

Parents and Citizens Association

Easter Raffle

Thank you to all the families who bought and sold tickets for our Easter Raffle, an also a big thank you to those families who donated Easter goods for the prizes.

The winners for our Junior raffle were- 1st - Destiny 3A 2nd - Aiden 2A 3rd - Eliza 3B 4th - Jacinta 1A 5th - Charli 2D 6th - Hayden P/1D

UNIFORM PRICE LIST CHANGES

There have been a couple of amendments with Polo Shirts increasing in price and we also no longer stock
Fleecy Track Pants.

This latest Uniform Price List will be effective as of

Term 2 – Tuesday 22nd April 2014

You can still purchase the Polo shirts at the old price up until the end of Term 1.

[UNIFORM PRICE LIST AS OF APRIL 2014](#)

Gold Coast Bakeries - Fundraiser



Our school needs your support

Message from the Fundraising Director

Gold Coast Bakery pays cash back to our school for your support. With every Gold Coast Bakery wrapper returned our school receives 7 cents.



Get a slice of the action.

The support of parents and friends is always well appreciated, with each family supporting our school and returning just a few bags per week, our school can receive lots of extra cash and you can win a holiday.

GOLD COAST BAKERY
products are available from
your local Supermarket
or Convenience Store

GOLD COAST BAKERY
Baking Perfection

Purchase any of these products & return the wrapper to your school.



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TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEERS

Our tuckshop is in desperate need of volunteers. If you are able to spare even a couple of hours a week, especially Friday mornings, please ring the school to speak to Dee Cullen our Tuckshop Convenor

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

All donations of secondhand uniforms can be sent to the office.

NEW TUCKSHOP MENU

Please [click here](#) to view the new tuckshop menu.

Facebook Page



Please [click here](#) and 'like' us to stay up to date with news, information and reminders about upcoming events.

Medication at School



This is a reminder that students are NOT to bring medication to school unless they are a prescribed medication and the pharmacy label is attached with the students name and dosage clearly marked.

Medication must be handed into the office and parents must sign an administration of medication form.

Students are NOT to bring non-prescription medication such as Panadol/Nurofen etc to school to keep in their bags. The only exception is Ventolin and students are able to keep their own puffer in their bags or on them at any time.

Chappy's Space

Welcome back to school and my apologies to all those who have been missing breakfast club due to my absence last two weeks of last term. I am especially disappointed we didnt get to serve Easter buns but we will make sure it happens next year!

As from term 2, Chappy days will now be Mondays and Tuesdays. In the event of a Monday public holiday it will be Tuesday and Wednesday.

Programs running in term 2:

Kid's with Courage- Year 4

Bella Girls - Yr 7

G.R.I.T.T- Yr 7

Chappy week celebrations- May

BREAKFAST CLUB:

Breakfast club is held every Tuesday down by the hall from 8.10 -8.40am. We usually serve toast and fruit cordial and on occasion chocolate milk or french toast and more regularly baked beans or cheese toasties. Any parent/ grandparent/carer is welcome to come in and help. We are normally packed up by 9.15am. Thankyou to all of our regular volunteers. If anyone is interested in sponsoring our breakfast club please contact the school chaplain.

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILIES :If there are any families in our community who wish to send prayer

requests to our School Chaplain, no need to go into detail, you can access this community service

via chappy's email samanthab@chappy.org.au

FOOD PARCELS FOR EMERGENCY FOOD RELIEF

The CrossLife - Helensvale Baptist Church 23 Discovery Drive, Helensvale, QLD

0755733644 info@hbchurch.org.au Call into the church... if we can help by way of a food

parcel, we will... www.foodaid.org.au

Mal Burke Car Park, corner of Hicks and Davenport Street, Southport. Food Aid has been

operating for over 21 years on the Gold Coast providing families and individuals in need with basic food items.

LOCAL SUNDAY SERVICES FOR A FRESH START IN YOUR LIFE, a curious mind OR A SPIRITUAL

BOOST.... New Life Pacific Pines Uniting Church @ 9.00am in the Jubilee School hall. All Families welcome,

come and say hi to our chappy over a cuppa. Kidzlife club available for primary aged kids. Crech too. Free coffee and toast when you arrive between 8.30 and 8.55am .

Phone: 07 5553 9918 Website: newlifeuniting.com/contact/pacific-pines

The CrossLife - Helensvale Baptist Church 23 Discovery Drive, Helensvale, QLD @ 9.30 AM Families very welcome. Vibrant Children's program available.

Eternity Presbyterian Church | 1 Shepparton Rd, Helensvale

[Fear less, hope more; Eat less, chew more; Whine less, breathe more; Talk less, say more; Love more, and all good things will be yours"](#)

[Swedish Proverb quotes](#)

Be generous and you will be prosperous. Help others and you will be helped.

Bible quote-Proverbs chapter 11 verse 25

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800

Beyond Blue 1300 224 636

Lifeline 131 114

Cancer Council support line 131 120

Commonwealth Carelink Centre 1800 0520222

You can access the Chaplaincy service at Gaven via Ms Thompson, your class teacher or by contacting

Chappy on samanthab@chappy.org.au

2014 School Calendar

Please [click here](#) to view the 2014 school calendar.

PCYC News



Nerang PCYC
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Pacific Pines SHS
EST. 2000

Year 6 & 7 Parents and Students

are invited to

2015 YEAR 7 & 8 OPEN NIGHT

6.00 pm - 7.45 pm
Thursday 8th May 2014

Performing Arts & Community Centre
Santa Isobel Drive
Pacific Pines

AGENDA:

- Principal's address
- Classroom activities
- Enrolment Packages
- Scholarship Applications
- XLR8 Applications
- Dance Excellence Applications
- Sports Excellence Applications
- Special Education Program
- Welfare of students
- Sausage Sizzle



EVENT PROGRAM SEE OVER

www.pacificpinesshs.eq.edu.au

OPEN NIGHT PROGRAM

Commencing at 6.00pm

- **Principal's Address**
- **Accelerate Program** - Presentation
- **Science** - Yr. 8 Science Presentation
Interactive Displays
Senior Displays
- **Performing Arts** - Dance Performance
Music Performance
- **HPE** - Circuit Training
- **Math** - Interactive Smart Board
Math Olympics
- **Art** - Art Display
- **Social Science** - Display
- **Business** - Display
- **English** - Display
- **LOTE** - Display
- **Home Economics** - Cooking Demonstrations
Work Display
- **Industrial Design and Technology** - Woodwork Display
Plastic / Mechanics Display



Pacific Pines State High School – Year 7 & 8 2015

Excellence Programs:

Applications closing date: Friday 16th May

Accelerate Program – Submit report card with application

Dance Excellence – Audition Tuesday 20th May @ 3:30pm

Sports Excellence – Audition Wednesday 28th May @ 3:30pm

Scholarships:

Applications closing date: Friday 16th May

Academic Exam – Wednesday 21st May @ 3:30pm

Cultural Audition – Tuesday 20th May @ 3:30pm

Sports Audition – Wednesday 28th May @ 3:30pm

ALL INFORMATION AND APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE –

www.pacificpineshs.eq.edu.au

Free Programs for Parents

Please click on the link below to find out more information about free programs for parents.

[Free Programs for Parents.pdf](#)

Homestay

For more information about Homestay please click on the link below.

[homestay.pdf](#)

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