From the Principal

NAPLAN

This week saw all our students in Years 3, 5 and 7 undertake the National Tests in Literacy and Numeracy. It was heartening to walk around the classrooms and see these students working through the tests and giving them the very best effort. I certainly hope that their efforts and the efforts of their Teachers are rewarded when we receive the results in September/October.

Year 6 Camp

Our Year 6 students headed to camp this week at Tallbudgera Beach School. This is a wonderful camp site and I know that the students have had an enjoyable time there as well as learning a great deal about the environment and outdoor education. Thanks to the teachers – Mrs Courcoulos and Mrs Mutch for their organisation of the camp and Mrs Archard for her support as well.

Cluster Sports

The first of our Cluster Sports Days is Monday 19 May. All of our teams have been training for this competition and I wish all teams every success. I know that the teams will not only give their best efforts but will represent our school in the best possible manner. The other dates for Cluster Sport are: 26 May, 2 June, and 16 June.

P & C Meeting and Trivia Night

The next P & C Meeting is on the 20th May commencing at 6.30pm. All parents are welcome. The big discussion item is our Trivia Night, which will be held on 13 June. We are looking for parent teams of between 6-8 and it would be great to have a team from each class. It sounds like a fun night with lots of trivia, games and prizes so start putting your teams together.

Teaching & Learning and Discipline Audits

On the 28/29 May, our school will be undertaking both a Teaching and Learning and a Discipline Audit. These audits are conducted every 4 years and are aimed at providing schools with feedback about how well we are...
demonstrating the criteria of each of the audits. This feedback is then used by our school to inform our next four yearly planning cycle.

**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](http://www.walk.com.au)

**Artist in Residence**

The Artist in Residence Program commences next Monday 19 May. 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.

**School & Winter Uniforms**

The requirement is that all students should be dressed in full school uniform including the school hat. With winter approaching all students are required to wear the winter uniform which is as follows:

**Girls**

Plain Navy blue straight leg track pants

School Jacket with Logo
Navy blue leggings

Navy Blue Tights

**Boys**

Plain Navy blue straight leg track pants

School Jacket with Logo

Another issue which has come to my attention is the length of hair. Hair at or over collar length is to be plaited, braided or tied back with navy blue or white hair bands. This is a health and safety issue and is necessary in the fight against head lice. The rule applies to both boys and girls.

**Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools will participate and all schools will be collect data from 2015. Our school will be involved in the nationally consistent collection of data from this year.

Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child’s details to be included, please let me know.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:


Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly.

School News

Dates of Significance

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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
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

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Sports News

AFL AUSKICK

For more information about AUSKICK please click here.

Special Needs News

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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 3pm
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

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
Cash Fundraiser
PROMOTION

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

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

CHAPPY WEEK* May 26\textsuperscript{th}-30\textsuperscript{th} at GAVEN SS

A week of awareness, support and celebration of our school chaplaincy service.

How can you get involved in Chappy Week?

- We are having the J.C Epidemic BMX bike show visit to be part of these celebrations 2\textsuperscript{nd} break Friday the 23\textsuperscript{rd} down on the oval to kick off Chappy Week.

- Parents come and introduce yourself and have a chat with Chappy at Breaky Club any Tuesday morning.

- Students can write Chappy a letter and put it in the Chappy letterbox outside of the planning room - next door to the computer lab.
• Wear the Chappy colours-gold and red (or yellow and orange) in your accessories and with your clothes on Tuesday 27th. Remember your $2 gold coin donation though!

• Parents can help on the Breakfast Club team to ensure it keeps running. Weekly, fortnightly or monthly.

• Come to our special breaky on the 27th May.

• And some other suprises

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 Schoo lhall. 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
Community News

Family Fun Day
Pacific Pines State High School
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.pacificpines.shs.qld.edu.au
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.pacificpinesshs.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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