FROM THE PRINCIPAL

World Teachers’ Day 2015

This Friday is World Teachers’ Day for 2015. This is the day to formally thank our teachers for all of the dedication that they provide in their teaching so that your child receives the very best education possible. I am very proud of the staff here at Pacific Pines. They go way beyond my expectations in everything that they do. On behalf of our school community, thank you!

Rewards’ Days

It has been a tradition at this school for students to be given the opportunity to attend a Rewards Day at the end of the year. This is a day when students who have shown excellent behaviour and have also shown regular attendance at school have the opportunity to attend the following events:

- Years 1, 2 and 3: Trip to the Movies
- Years 4 to 7: A day at Wet and Wild.

Our Prep students traditionally attend a Christmas show.
The following criteria will be used to determine who will not be attending a Rewards Day:

- Students who have demonstrated unacceptable behaviour over the year requiring administration intervention
- From Week 5 (November 3). Any student who receives more than 2 RTR’s before the event
- Any student who receives a red slip.
- Any student who is either internally or externally suspended.
- Any student who has attended school less than 90% of the time with several unexplained absences. This will be determined by me as I am the accountable officer for student compulsory attendance.

Fortunately most of our students will have the opportunity to participate in a Rewards Day. This is our time to thanks these students for upholding the values we expect here at Pacific Pines Primary School.

Quadrennial School Review

Every four years, Queensland schools undergo a four year review to determine the pathways they are going to follow in the next four years. Currently our school is undergoing such a review and the staff and students as well as the P&C will be involved in determining our future directions. These directions will be based on:

- Evidence-based teaching
- An explicit improvement agenda
- Analysis and discussion of data
- A culture that promotes learning
- Targeted use of school resources
- An expert teaching team
- Systematic curriculum delivery
- Tailored classroom learning
- School-community partnerships

I look forward to working with my school and community to develop and deliver our future vision

Regards

Kathy Edwards

MUSIC NOTES
Performing Arts

Instrumental Music

Please bring back your Expression of Interest forms for playing an instrument in our fantastic program next year to Mrs Walters or the office. All students in years 2, 3 and 4 attended a concert where they were shown each orchestral instrument and took an expression of interest form if they were interested in joining our program. If you have lost it and would like another please see Mrs Walters.

Please note: we don’t offer Piano, Voice or Guitar (acoustic or electric 6 string) in the program as we offer the Orchestral and Band instruments only. Bass Guitar is offered to students who own their own instrument. See or email Mrs Walters for further information if required rwarh3@eq.edu.au

Date Claimers – CONCERTS

Music Count Us In – Choir members attending Surfers Paradise next Thursday 30th October via bus. Parents VERY welcome on the beach 11am-11:35am! Great to organise lunch out with friends or family in Surfers afterwards too! (Students return to school.)

Showcase Concert – All musicians including Junior and Senior Choirs, Junior and Senior Bands, Beginner, Banksia, Acacia and Quartet Strings. Tuesday 2 December (week 9) 5:45pm for Sausage Sizzle! 6:30pm sharp start. Concluded around 8pm. Venue – Pacific Pines High School Hall – PAC.

Rosemary Walters
rwarh3@eq.edu.au

SUSURFSIDERFSIDE BUS PASSES - 2015

APPLICATIONS FOR 2015 BUS PASSES ARE DUE NOW

ALL NEW PASSENGERS FOR 2015
To ensure timely distribution of bus passes in the New Year, please submit your application before the end of November 2014.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR EXISTING BUS PASS HOLDERS**

At the end of each school year, please ensure that the current pass is retained to be used in the new school year until the new pass is issued.

Students with an existing bus pass need only re-apply for a 2015 bus pass if your child

- is moving from Primary to Secondary School
- is repeating a grade
- is changing their home address or school

**ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION FORMS**


**PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO**

Surfside Buslines  
PO Box 3036  
ROBINA  
Q 4230

Email [schools@tagroup.net.au](mailto:schools@tagroup.net.au) or Fax 5571 6556

Applications will be processed over the Christmas school holidays. Once applications are approved, bus passes are sent to school for collection. Please allow 10-15 working days from the start of Term One 2015.

*Prior to Government approval of bus travel assistance, all students can travel by bus to school using a TransLink gocard.*

**REMINDER**

A valid bus pass must be produced TO THE DRIVER or the relevant fare paid via cash or gocard. Information on fares, go cards, zones and bus timetables is available from TransLink [http://translink.com.au/](http://translink.com.au/) or phone 13 12 30.

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**HELPING HANDS NEWS**
Outside School Hours Care
Pacific Pines

0459 991 456  pacificpines@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au

From the coordinator:

Dear parents and Families of Pacific Pines State School,

This month the service have been finishing of the extended learning program (Mad Scientist) the program filled up to capacity. The children really enjoyed the experiments and the feedback from parents was positive. Don’t forget to book in quick for the Snap Happy photography program coming up this term.

Congratulations to Sky Sullivan for winning the Helping Hands parent survey competition, Sky won a $100 gift voucher from Helping Hands.

A big thank you to all of the parents for filling in the surveys, your feedback is valuable.

Kind Regards,
Julie Reid

What's been happening:

Vacation care was fantastic, the highlights were the motorised bath tubs and toilet seats, obstacle jumping castle. Excursions to Flip Out and Game Over were very popular and the in service show stopping activities such as the science day, hatching chicks, wheels day, X Factor show, my restaurant rules, beauty parlour, were the stand outs on a daily basis for the parents as well as the children.

Climbing the walls at Game Over

What’s coming up:

We are now focussing on our Christmas concert and will be rehearsing all of term 4. The staff and children are super excited about creating and learning new dances and song for the big night! Parents are already asking for the information and details for the rehearsals to book their children in and reserving seats for the concert night.

The pupil free day was so much fun with my restaurant rules cooking up a storm and the teddy bear art class with miss Julie being a huge success.

The minute to win it contest and the x Factor show took most of the afternoon up and was very popular with the children.

Teddy Bear Art Class

WE PROVIDE BREAKFAST AND AFTERNOON TEA EVERYDAY AS WELL AS FANTASTIC ART, CRAFT, SPORT AND COOKING EXPERIENCES THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL LOVE!

Before School Care from $4.77 per session*
After School Care From $7.36 per session*
Vacation Care from $5.05 per day*

*Based on your income for 1 child in care per session after CCB and CTR
COME IN AND CHECK OUT OUR PROGRAM!

ORAL HEALTH CARE
Students in grades (1,2,6,7) have been provided with an offer of oral health care examination card to take home.

If your child is enrolled in one of the grades listed above or are new to the school and did not receive an examination card and would like to arrange for your child to receive oral health care please contact the Oral Health Call Centre 1300 300 850. Monday to Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm Excluding Public Holidays.

If your child requires disability access please identify this requirement with the Call Centre Operator

SPELLATHON WINNERS

Congratulations to this year’s prize winners and thank you to our amazing school community for the great support and participation in this years Spellathon.

Ipod winners
Ryan P 5G
Kiana B Prep Purple
Kailea H 2Y
Pizza Party
Prep Purple
Family Pass to Dream World
Ryan P 5G
Regards
P&C Assocation

STATE ATHLETICS

On the 14 & 15 October, three students from Pacific Pines attended the Queensland State Athletic Championships held in Brisbane. The students enjoyed their time at the event with Kobie being the standout performer. He finished 2nd in the Shot Put and 2nd in the Discus and will now compete in the Australian Championships to be held in Tasmania.

Well done Kobie and good luck!

Regards
Josh Turpin

THANK YOU

A big thank you to Teresa Smith for her kind donation of beautiful books to our SEP. The Books are sure to provide many hours of enjoyment to our students and your generosity is much appreciated.

Thankyou

Anne Hart

REDGUM BOOK CLUB

Redgum Book Club Catalogue is out now.

Redgum Book Club is Australian owned and proudly supports Australian children's authors and illustrators.

Order by the 17th of November and every book purchased will raise cash for your school.

There is one catalogue per term - packed full of books and activities grouped by age category.

Ordering is easy. Order online, via email, fax or phone. Books will be delivered direct to your child's classroom.

PLEASE NOTE NO MONEY IS TO BE SENT TO SCHOOL.

More details on titles and products can be found online www.redgumbookclub.com.au.

Please direct any enquiries to 1800 803 443 or info@redgumbookclub.com.au.
IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Parents are not permitted to drive into the school grounds to drop off or collect students. Parents are endangering the lives of their children as well as other students entering and leaving the school grounds.

Pacific Pines State School is a smoke free and dog free zone. Dogs are not permitted in the school grounds they must remain outside the boundary fence regardless of size.

EXCURSION NOTES AND REMINDERS

We will be implementing a new process whereby all excursion notes are emailed home to parents/carers. A reminder will also be sent home via email as the closing date for excursions nears, if you have already paid for your child's excursion then simply ignore the automated whole school reminder.
Please ensure the school has your current email address to avoid missing out on upcoming excursion notes and reminders.

Please do not reply to the emails as info@pacificpines.eq.edu.au is an automated email address and replies are not monitored by administrative staff.

**TUCKSHOP**

The tuckshop prides itself in making fresh and healthy lunches for your children on a daily basis and we are busier than ever. We would like to say a big "THANK YOU" to all those parents who donate their time every week to help prepare and serve the food. Due to commitments we will lose some volunteers at the end of the term and are desperate for some more generous people to help out wherever possible.

Duties involve preparing and packing lunches for first break and serving students on first break.

Below are the days and times where help is urgently needed.

**Tuesday 9am - 11.30am**

**Friday 9am - 11.30am**

If you are able to help out please contact Helen on 55025316 or come and see me at the tuckshop.

Regards

Helen Pitman

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY TIMETABLE**

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**PAYMENT REMINDER**

Payment days Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8.00 to 10.00am only.

Please be advised that no payments will be received on non payment days as money is not permitted to be kept on the premises. Any monies sent on non payment days will be sent home with the student.

No payments will be accepted after the date specified on the activity/excursion letter, this includes all online payments that must be made a minimum of 48 hours prior to the cut off date for payments.

**UNIFORM SHOP**

Uniform Shop Hours:

Tuesday 7.30 – 11:30am

Wednesday 7.30 – 11:30am

Thursday 7.30 – 11:30am

Please note phone orders are taken, simply call 5502 5332 during the hours listed above (credit card payments available but no amex)

after payment is processed the uniforms will be taken to the child’s classroom
PAYMENT OPTIONS

Please note that Pacific Pines State School prefers payments made by INTERNET BANKING or EFTPOS transactions to help minimise fees charged by the bank when processing cheques and cash.

Please note: Payment by EFT must be made 48 hours prior to the cut off date!

PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING:          Direct Payment into School Bank Account

School's Bank Account Name:              Pacific Pines State School General A/C
BSB Number:                                         064 474           (CBA Branch Helensvale)
Account Number:                                  10097379
Reference/Details:                                 Please record child's name (not parents name), class and reference code in the reference/details section so that your payment can be traced. If no reference code number is supplied, payments will be applied to the oldest debt for that Family/Customer ID.

Payment Days are MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY only 8.15am until 10.00am. We allow a minimum of 2 weeks for payments due and are unable to accept any late payments, we thank you for your understanding.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Slightly Wonky Creations

Sick of constantly replacing school hats and jackets even though your child's name is written inside? Lost properly is a frustration and time waster for parents and the school alike so I would like to offer you an alternative. For as little as $5-$6 per item, with discounts available for large families, you can have your child's full name or just first initial and surname machine embroidered on their hats and jackets. You may have seen some around school already. It makes it very easy easy to identify what belongs to which child and a lot harder to pick up someone else's by mistake. If you are interested in getting your child's uniform embroidered please give me a call, emial or drop by my Facebook page to arrange.

Kit Deverell  0435 417 799      leftofcenter@tpg.com.au  www.facebook.com/SlightlyWonkyCreations
2015 Early Sign: Saturday, 6 December 2014, 12:00pm – 3:00pm at Parkwood Sharks, 180 Musgrave Ave, Labrador.

Early Sign On Discounted Prices: Under 6s $ 155.00 (save $20) & Under 7s to 17s $230.00 (save $20).

Sausage sizzle from 12 to 3pm

2015 Club shorts and socks will be included in the early sign on, if fees are paid in full on the day.

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(07) 5502 5300

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http://pacificpinesss.eq.edu.au