Dear Parents and Carers

Every Day Counts

Every day counts… because children achieve better when they attend school all day every day

Every day counts… because going to school means getting a better chance at life

Every day counts… because school helps children build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience

Every day counts… because going to school is a legal requirement

We continue our focus on attendance as it is the most important factor in giving your child the best chance in life. Sometimes it can be difficult when your child does not want to come to school because of a range of issues but we want them here and we want to help them with their education.

We will be contacting some families to see if we can help you with your child to support them in attending school and if you have concerns feel free to contact us and make a time to meet. We can look at patterns of their attendance to see if we can come up with a plan to help them attend school.

Frequently asked questions

Do I need to let the school know if my child has been away?

Yes – Parents must let the school know the reason for the absence, if not beforehand, then within two days of their child’s return to school.

Can I take my child out of school for family or social occasions?

No – You should arrange leisure activities visits to family and friends and shopping trips outside of school hours.

What should I do if my child refuses to go to school?

Contact the school as soon as possible for advice and support.

More resources can be found at: www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

International Visit

Yesterday, we had visitors from the Vietnamese Education Community as part of a program from Queensland University of Technology. It fitted in beautifully with our NAIDOC activities and our Indigenous Dancers were amazing. The group loved our kids and I think the kids enjoyed meeting and talking to our visitors.

Stephen Rowe
Principal
STUDENT AWARDS

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We will be having Book Fair in 3 weeks time. We are planning to do it three times in one week. One morning and two afternoon.

If you have any suggestion or ideas of how to run this fantastic event please don’t hesitate to contact the school and ask Renee Bond or even myself at the library. All purchases will help support our school.

Our theme for this book fair is Garden—Book Fair Garden!!! Maybe we could dress up to that theme!!!!!how exciting.

Faasii Aiono

RAIDERS SOFTBALL CLUB
2014/2015 Season

REGISTRATION DAYS

Saturday 16th August
Time: 12pm – 4pm
At: Softball Fields Moreton Avenue
Redbank Plains
(Adjacent Kevin Bull Soccer Fields)

Sunday 17th August
Time: 10am – 2pm
At: Foodworks Redbank Plains

Children, Women and Men’s
Fun and fitness for all ages

Enquiries
Brett – President: 0423 233 813
Chris – Secretary: 0400 732 104
Rachael – Registrar: 0416 073 211

IPSWICH MUSKETEERS BASEBALL CLUB

Come and Try & Sign On!
All Ages and Levels Welcome

Date — Sunday August 17th 2014
Time — 10:00am to 2:00pm
Place — Church Str Tivoli
Contact Number — Mob 0407 695 327

Why not try Baseball this summer?
Find out more at www.qld.baseball.com.au

2014 WEST BRISBANE FALCONS BASKETBALL CLUB DTP SEASON
TERM 4, 2014- Development, Training, Play

If you are interested in playing with West Brisbane Falcons in the last season (Term 4) for 2014, please visit our website and download & complete the Player Nomination Form.

West Brisbane Falcons will run our own in-house competitions in all junior age groups. This will mean we will conduct 90 minute age group sessions on a selected night that will involve a 45 minute training session followed by organised matches on the two courts available at Centenary High School. Each Gender Age Group will be capped at 32 players so that every player gets the most out of their Falcons experience so make sure you get in early.

A Player Nomination Form & Further Information can be found on our website.

www.westbrisbanebasketball.net.au
westbrisbanebasketball@hotmail.com

ST JOHN COMMUNITY SERVICES

help when you need it most

Subsidised concession go cards to get you moving

St John Ambulance (Qld) Community services has a subsidised concession go cards available for purchase.

• go cards with $10 prepaid credit – cost $20 each
• go cards with $5 prepaid credit – cost $3.50 each

Our go card initiative assists people in the community who may require transport via Translink bus, train and ferry services.

Contact 07 4602 9882 if you have any more information or to order go cards.

Don’t drive! Need to catch public transport? We can assist.

Who can apply for a concessional go card? This service is available to people of the community who receive:

• Unemployment Payment
• Disability Support Payments or Carer Payment, and
• Aged over 60

Forest Lake State High School – Now Enrolling for 2015

We are offering four new opportunities to enrol your child into Forest Lake State High School for 2015. It is extremely important to enrol early so we can ensure we have the support and resources in place for your child.

We understand Saturdays are not always convenient for you and your child to attend an enrolment interview so we have opened up week time interviews as well.

The enrolment days are:

• Thursday 14th August 7.30am – 5.30pm
• Tuesday 9th September 8:00am – 5.30pm
• Monday 20th November 8.30am – 3.30pm
• Saturday 1st October 9am – 2:30pm

Please bring your enrolment pack into Forest Lake State High School with all your documentation to make an interview.