Welcome to our e-Newsletter for 2014
Welcome to our e-newsletter for Nerang State School. Our e-newsletter will be published fortnightly; and aims to provide a wide range of interesting updates and items of interest for our school community. A hard copy of our e-newsletter is also available on request from the school office.

From the Administration Team

Discipline Audit
Last Wednesday we undertook our Discipline Audit. It was a pleasure to have Mrs Bronwyn Braithwaite in our school. Mrs Braithwaite will provide us with a list of commendations and a list of recommendations in the coming weeks. Once these are shared it is our responsibility to put an action plan around the recommendations and implement these at Nerang SS. In time these will be shared with the community via website so you can see where to from here. There will be opportunity for parent input into the strategies to be implemented, if you are interested in being a part of our action team please email me on the.principal@nerangss.eq.edu.au

ATTENDANCE
Rates to date for the Term
Our target for Term 2 was to have all classes at 95% or above attendance figures. Currently the attendance rates for each year level are as follows:

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There are only 2 ½ weeks left for all classes to make it to the 95% mark. Every day counts and we need everyone at school every day to achieve our target.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
School photos will be taken on this Thursday 12 June. Please ensure your child is wearing correct school uniform. A reminder that our school uniform policy states that school shoes should be black or white in colour and that school jackets should be navy blue. Photo money should be sent to school on Photo Day. Your child will hand their photo money directly to the photographers, no money will be handled by the school office.
**GALA SPORTS DAY**
The first of three Gala Sports Days for 2014 will be held on Monday 16 June. The school will field rugby league, soccer, AFL and netball teams to play against Tallebudgera and Gilston primary schools.

A few reminders about eligibility of students to attend this event:
- Students must pay their money by the cut-off date Wednesday 11 June – money after cut-off date will not be accepted
- Students whose Student Resource Levy has not been paid are ineligible to attend
- Students who in the next week receive 2 Work Groups/in-school suspension/suspension for unacceptable behaviour will not be allowed to represent the school.

**SCHOOL REPORTING**
**REPORT CARDS EMAILED**
At the end of Term 2 and Term 4 this year report cards will be emailed home. Please ensure our office staff have your most up to date email address on record. If we don’t have an email address reports will be printed for collection. Reports will be emailed directly from the One School staff. Our advice to parents is to add OneSchool.application@dete.qld.gov.au to your list of safe senders to ensure your child’s report card does not end up in your junk folder.

**BREAKFAST IS A VERY IMPORTANT MEAL**
Our bodies always need energy, and after a night’s sleep, energy levels are low. Please ensure your child has had breakfast before they start off to school. Children who skip breakfast: have low energy levels and can feel tired, cranky, grumpy or irritable, they can feel nauseous, dizzy or faint and very importantly have a hard time CONCENTRATING and LEARNING.

If you have trouble providing breakfast, your child/children can attend Breakfast Club in the classroom kitchen Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8:00am and French Toast Breakfast provided by the Genesis Church Tuesday mornings at the tuckshop. This service is free and everyone is welcome.

**STAR STUDENT BEHAVIOURS**
- Being a Learner, Being Respectful, Being Responsible, Being Safe and Being Friendly

Each fortnight a different behaviour lesson is explicitly taught. This fortnight’s lesson is about Being Friendly – allow others to join in.

**REWARDS DAY**
Rewards Day is an incentive for all children to try their best with their learning and behaviour. Star Student Behaviour has 5 elements: being a learner, being respectful, being responsible, being safe and being friendly. The children are specifically taught skills around these behaviours. Rewards Day activities for all classes are currently being finalised.

Who can attend Rewards Day?
For children who on occasions are disrespectful, irresponsible, disruptive or unsafe they may be given a Work Group. A Work Group means the children are penalized 20 minutes of a lunch hour under the supervision of a teacher to reflect on their behaviour. Children who have been given more than two Work Groups are ineligible to attend this term’s Rewards Day activity. However in Term 3 all students start afresh and hopefully are motivated to being included in the next Rewards Day activity. Letters letting you know if your child has or has not met the requirements for Rewards Day will soon be sent home.

**1,2,3 MAGIC EMOTION COACHING - PARENTING SUPPORT**
Mrs Jan Talbot, Behaviour Teacher, will run the 1,2,3 MAGIC EMOTION COACHING course. If you are interested in attending, this course will be run over three Mondays – 21 July, 28 July and 4 August from 9:00am-11:00am. Please register your interest by leaving your name at the office.

**LOST PROPERTY**
Has your child lost a school jacket? Please check the Lost Property bin. The jackets are brand new but unnamed so they cannot be returned to their owners. Please label all your child’s/children’s clothing so that it can be returned to them.

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**
- Thursday 12th June – School Photos
- Monday 16th June – Gala Day Year 5-7
- Tuesday 17th June – P&C Meeting 6.30pm
- Friday 27th June – Final day Term 2.

Have a great fortnight,
Mrs Gosling and Mrs Whybird
CENTREPAY OPTION
Nerang State School encourages the use of the Centrelink Centrepay option. Centrepay is a free direct bill-paying service offered to customers receiving Centrelink payments. Through Centrepay you can choose to pay bills by having a regular amount deducted from your payments and transferred electronically to the school account. These payments can then be credited to your student's account to pay for their Student Resource Levy, camps/excursion and other related fees. Please ask at the school office for further information.

INVOICE/STATEMENTS
Invoices/statements will be going home soon. Could all Student Resource Levies and outstanding payments please be finalised as soon as possible. Payments can be made at the school office on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8.00 – 10.30am. Please be reminded that the next CANBERRA PAYMENT instalment of $500.00 is due by Friday 27 June.

UNIFORM SHOP
Winter Jackets are now in stock at a cost of $35.00. Orders can be placed through the Tuckshop with the correct money or the Uniform Shop on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 2.10 – 2.50pm or Tuesday mornings from 8.00 – 9.00am.

P & C MEETING
The next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 June at 6.30pm in the Staffroom. Come along, meet our P & C Committee and find out what is happening within the school. All welcome.

SCHOOL DISCO
The Music Department along with the P & C will be holding a school disco on Thursday 19 June. The theme will be a Pyjama Party so please come dressed in your best PJ’s. Times are Junior school (Prep – Yr. 3) from 4.30 – 6.00pm and Senior school (Yrs. 4 – 7) from 6.00 – 7.30pm. Entry cost is $5.00 with an optional Meal Deal for an additional $5.00 which includes a drink, pizza and a treat. Parents are to drop their child/ren to the door and then collect them from the door at the correct finish time. Please see the attached flyer.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

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Who’s chatting to your kids?
The internet today contains many sites that are designed to encourage children and teenagers to communicate by messaging each other in real time. Many of these sites contain areas where children can post personal information about themselves including their name, age, location, photographs, and contact details. Please take some time to discuss these on-line safety tips with your children:
- Never give out personal information on the net, like your full name, address, phone number or school, even sporting events attended, or locations of extra-curricular activities
- Ensure your screen name does not reveal personal information about you.
- Review your online profile. Predators can use this personal information to find you.
- Only allow your friends to view your personal blog and profile.
- Never send your picture to someone you don’t know.
- Don’t accept invitations to view webcams from unknown internet users.
- Never arrange for face-2-face meetings with people met online.
- Understand predators ask personal questions and attempt to become friends quickly.
- Time chatting online to a person does not equal trust or knowing the person.

Teach children the 5 R’s:
REALISE – people you chat with may not be who they say they are, nor what age/sex they give.
REFUSE – requests for personal information and ensure your internet profile is private.
REVIEW – your contacts. It’s not “kool” to have contacts you don’t know.
RESPOND – quickly if you ever feel uncomfortable while on-line. Close the program, Tell your parents or a trusted friend.
REPORT – any suspicious or danger on-line contact to the police.

(Adapted from Information provided by Queensland Police Service)

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NERANG STATE HIGH SCHOOL 2015 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
This is your invitation to our Jnr Secondary Parent Information Evening. It will be an invaluable opportunity for you to learn about Nerang State High School’s 2015 Jnr Secondary innovations including:
- Why 2015 will be our most exciting year yet?
- The COMETS Academic Signature Program!
- The Quality Arts Signature Program!
- Student Leadership Initiatives!
- Speak to our Heads of Department, administration and teaching staff
- Student Performances and much more…

Tuesday September 16th from 5:30pm to 6:30pm - School Hall
(Refreshments served from 5:15pm) All children welcome

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GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY STUDY
A team of researchers (the BRAVE Team) at Griffith University are investigating an internet-based program for children suffering from anxiety who also have a diagnosis of Asperger’s Syndrome. We are seeking children aged between 8 and 12 years to take part in the treatment study. This is being offered free for families who are eligible to participate. For more information contact the BRAVE Team: Phone: (07) 3735 3325 or Email braveforaspergers@griffith.edu.au

THE CHILD AND ADOLESCENT ORAL HEALTH SERVICE
The Child and Adolescent Oral Health Service have relocated to Ashmore State School due to the arrival of the Life Education Van. All existing patients’ current treatment will be completed on site at Ashmore State School.
If your child did not receive an offer of care pack and you would like to arrange for your child to receive oral health care please contact the Oral Health Call Centre on 1300 300 850. Monday to Friday 8.00am – 4.30pm excluding public holidays.
Danny Cohen presents
Brisbane & Gold Coast
Cartoon Camps are back!

CARTOONING CAMPS

Hi Mum - can we go to this really cool program?

It looks exciting! They will teach you how to draw!

There will be fun water play, games, art, cartooning & special treats!

We can dress up each day with different themes.

I can trade my cards.

We'll learn how to draw animals, famous characters & you don't need to know how to draw in advance!

PERFECT! I'm calling Mrs Brown & Mrs Smith to say if they want to book their kids to come as well!

We'll eat yummy special food!

Woo Hoo!

Monday July 7th - Friday July 11th
Brisbane & Gold Coast
Tel: 02 9343 0833 or 02 9011 7729

Short Day (9.30am - 3.30pm) $35
Long Day (8am - 6pm) $40
Night Camp (Tuesday & Thursdays 6pm - 9pm) $20

bookings@cartoonkingdom.com.au
www.illustrating-man.com.au
Is your child at school or starting next year? Would you like $500 to help pay for uniforms, books, excursions or a laptop?

To be eligible you need to:
- have a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card
- have a child at school now or starting next year
- have some form of household income, for example, your partner or yourself may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal employment.

Saver Plus can match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500. Saver Plus is looking for new participants so enquire about signing up today!

To find out more, phone or SMS your name and postcode to 1300 610 355, or email saverplus@bsl.org.au
NERANG STATE SCHOOL
Thursday 19TH JUNE
Juniors (preps-year 3) 4.30-6.00pm
Seniors (year 4-years 7) 6.00-7.30pm

Theme: PYJAMA PARTY

Parents please drop and collect your child/children from the door.

COST: $5.00 entry

Plus

$5.00 Meal Deal (pizza/drink/treat)
Help our school win $20,000 cash from Pacific Fair

Pacific Fair Shopping Centre is giving our school the chance to share in $45,000 cash! All we have to do is spend $75 or more between Monday 26 May until Sunday 22 June at any Pacific Fair store to receive points for our school. If our school has the most points per students at the end of the promotion...we will win $20,000 for our school!

**STEP 1.**
Spend $75 dollars or more in centre.

**STEP 2.**
Take your receipts to customer service.

**STEP 3.**
Watch your school's tally grow in centre or at pacificfair.com.au