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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Annual Operational Plan

Each year all schools in Queensland are asked to develop a school operational plan. This plan sets out for the community the goals for the year and targets to be achieved. Springwood Road State School Annual Operational Plan has been developed in consultation with members of the community and includes Education Queensland initiatives, requirements and targets around student learning. It also includes recommendations from our school review of 2006. This plan will be shared at our next P & C meeting on Wednesday March 14.

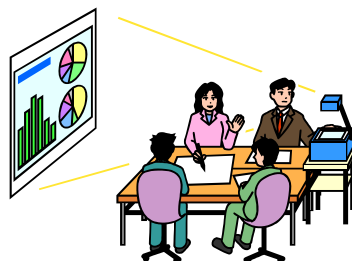
I have listed below some of the key priorities for our school for the year.

- Improve student literacy results across the whole school.
- Develop a school culture where in-depth conversations about student standards, needs and assessment are part of everyday business.
- Invest time, support and effort into the professional development of Springwood Road staff.
- Ensure safety at Springwood Road State School by building on the Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students, anti-bullying programs, focus on Workplace Health and Safety, and the development of a three year facilities and grounds plan.
- Develop strong partnerships within our school community, local high school, cluster schools and local community.

Safety at School

When walking children to and from school please ensure children are taught to use the paths and not walk across the administration car park. This will help them learn the right thing to do when you are not with them.

Lesley Vogan
Acting Principal



WELCOME
open door
policy
 Parents are invited to call or drop in should they require assistance at any time.

What's on...

- 8 March**
Year 5 Beenleigh Historical Village Excursion
- 9 March**
Interschool Sport commences
- 12 March**
Book Club orders due
- 19 March**
Pie Drive orders due
- 22 & 23 March**
Year 1 - 7 Science Workshops
- 26 March**
Young Leaders Day
- 27 March**
P - 3 Cross Country
- 28 March**
4 - 7 Cross Country
- 28 March**
Pie Drive Delivery Day
- 30 March**
Discos
- 6 - 15 April**
Easter vacation
- 16 April**
Student Free Day
- 17 April**
Term 2 commences
- 25 April**
Anzac Day (Public Holiday)
- 30 April**
P & C Walk-a-thon flyers distributed
- 1 May**
Year 3 Sport Carnival

BOOK CLUB ORDERS

DUE 12 MARCH

FROM THE DEPUTY

Science Show

Hands On Education are visiting Springwood Road on Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd March to challenge, educate, amaze and entertain Year 1 – 7 in the exciting future in Science. Year levels will participate in the workshop over an hour and will experience many hands on Science activities including:

- * **Electric circuits and switches** * **Solar power**
- * **Alternative energy** * **Magnetism** * **Robotics**
- * **Light & colour** * **Sound & vibrations** * **Machines, simple tools & balance** * **Potential & kinetic energy**
- * **Air pressure**

Parents are also welcome to attend to work through the activities with your child. Notes will come home this week about this exciting workshop. The cost will be \$5.50 per student.

Hats

It is extremely important that every child wears a Broad

brimmed hat at school. We take sun safety very seriously and have a "No Hat, No Play" policy at Springwood Road State School. Please ensure that your child's name is written in **large letters** under the brim of their hat, this makes it easier to return lost hats to their owners. Please also have a discussion with your child/ren about being responsible with their hat:

- **Zip up bags** when returning hat or other items (many hats fall out of bags when left unzipped).
- Keep their **hat on their head at all times** when at eating and play

Children who do not have their hats at playtime will need to sit in the undercover area and not play.

Lost Property

The lost property rack is already full of items that are not named and therefore cannot be returned to their owners. Please ensure all of your child's items are named, even the items that you wouldn't expect would be misplaced!

Alisha Le Brese

PARADE AWARDS

P - 3 February 28

4 - 7 March 2

Indigo
Joseph
Aidan
Harry
Zyra
Reece
Alanah
Georgia
Poko
Matthew
Mahaga
Noah

Harry
Adrian
Shantelle
Jessica
Crystal
Sarah
Brad
Zane
Ben
Sophie
Toby
Madeline
Kyle

WANTED

Trumpet in good condition. Phone Sue on 3841 2384



Tuckshop News

Small sized polo shirts (up to size 8) have arrived so if you have placed an order it will be ready for collection. Extra stock is also available for purchase.

NEW - Cheese and biscuits snack, available now, \$1.30 per pack.

MEDICATION

Just a reminder that if your child needs to take medication of any kind while at school we can only administer prescription medication. This medication needs to be in the original box/container with the chemist label adhered to it. Students are not permitted to hold medication of any kind in their bag. All medication must be brought to the office, authorisation forms filled out and signed by parent or guardian and students then come to the office for staff to administer the medication. Should you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the office on 3341 5133.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

If you have moved, changed jobs, changed your telephone number (including mobile) or if your emergency contacts have had any changes to their contact details we need to know. Please send a note to the office with your child or phone the office on 3341 5133 to let us know of any changes.

PE NEWS

We are now using lesson time to prepare for the Cross Country Trials this month.

The children have now all walked the course, so that they know the directions.

During the next few weeks all the students who wish to participate in the Age Champion event for years 4, 5, 6 & 7 will be timed. The fastest runners will be selected for the Age Champion event on the day. Those students who do not compete in the Age Champion event will complete 1 lap of the course.

Six boys and six girls from each age group will be nominated to attend the District Trials in May.



GET ACTIVE QUEENSLAND ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

FREE sports coaching, officiating and sports first aid training.

The get Active Queensland Accreditation Program provides teachers, teacher aides, school sport volunteers and tertiary and senior school students throughout Queensland with FREE training that can ultimately lead to accreditation in coaching, officiating, inclusive sport and physical activity for people with a disability, and sports first aid.



8:15am - 5pm, Saturday 31 March 2007

**Springwood State High School
200 Springwood Road, Springwood
For Teachers, teacher aides, tertiary and senior
school students and volunteers**

Courses offered:

**Coaching - Cricket, Football, Futsal, Netball, Rugby League, Swimming, Tennis, Touch and Volleyball.
Officiating - Athletics, Basketball and Touch
General - Sports First Aid and Sports Trainer**

Cost: FREE

Registrations close: Friday 16 March

Registrations: Register online at

www.sportrec.qld.gov.au/school_community/gaqap.cfm

For more information visit the above website or phone 3235 9442 or email Andrew.Bolt@srq.qld.gov.au

This term we have been learning about the Great Barrier Reef and how we should protect it and how it is endangered. We are thinking of ways to try to protect it from global warming, pollution and the Crown of Thorns Starfish. I am enjoying learning about the Great Barrier Reef.

Maggie

The Great Barrier Reef is beautiful but it is at risk. So we have started a report on the risks and how we can help prevent the reef from dying. There is a starfish that eats 6 cubic metres of coral every year. It is called the Crown of Thorns Starfish. I really like learning about the different kinds of fish and coral.

Ryan

6S is doing a risk assessment task. Some people are doing surfing, tubing, etc. We are also getting as much information as we can on the Great Barrier Reef from the internet. So far we know that the Great Barrier Reef is dying and we are trying to stop it. Term 1 has been great.

Kiarni



This term we are doing an assignment on risky water sports. I have chosen wakeboarding because I think that it is a very fun sport and a very dangerous sport. I have had a fun time drawing, writing and getting information about my sport, it is very enjoyable. I think I have done a good job so far.

Taylor



SMOOTH SAILING IN 6S



This term our task is to try and look at saving the Great Barrier Reef. It is a pretty hard task and we have to finish it this month. What I think of it is that it is a nice task. We chose the sea because it is Lifesavers Year. We are also doing a poster on the sea with all types of coral and fish and I really like this topic.

Hayden

This term we are learning about the Great Barrier Reef and how it is in danger from all the gasses and oils that run into the Great Barrier Reef killing all of the fish in the reef. The Crown of Thorns Starfish is eating all the coral. Without the coral the fish will die. Help save The Great Barrier Reef. I'm enjoying the topic.

Monet

6S

This term my assessment is a poster on SURFING. I love doing my poster because while I'm getting information about risks to help to warn people really I'm teaching myself by reading the information. My poster is mostly to warn people to be careful when they're surfing or swimming etc. I really love doing posters instead of writing.

Jayde

This term my class has been learning about ocean sport risks and the Great Barrier Reef. Watersport is risky in every way. My sport is surfing. I chose surfing because I knew something about it. I like the Great Barrier Reef. I've been snorkeling in it. I was disappointed there was rubbish everywhere. You can help. Just clean up. I like these topics a lot.

Ben

This term we are doing a report on the Great Barrier Reef. The reason why I chose this is because global warming is killing the coral. The coral is very important to the reef because other animals rely on it. I am willing to do anything to save the beautiful Great Barrier Reef. I am enjoying this report on the Great Barrier Reef.

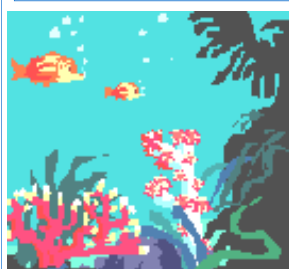
Ben

This term 6S are doing a risk assessment on water sports. We are doing this because it is the 100th year this year for Royal Life Saving. It's been 100 years since Charles Kingsford Smith was saved by a Royal Life Saving lifesaver. I chose surfing because it's the coolest water sport ever. It's so much fun.

Jessica

This term 6S is doing a Great Barrier Reef project. We are doing a 3D project of the beautiful reef. First we are making backgrounds of the reef but just coral and sponges and algae etc. We are colouring them in with crayons and then doing a blue wash. After all that is done we are sticking on fish and animals that live in the reef to make it look 3D I think this project will be fun.

Erica



This term we are doing a risk assessment and I'm doing deep sea breathing. The reason I'm doing that subject is because I want to do that when I'm older and I need to know about the risks so I can prevent that from happening to me so I can live without worrying about it. I'm enjoying my assignment.

Kassie