From the Principal

Trivia Night 30th October 7:00pm

Please put together a team or we will help you be part of a team for the 2015 P and C Fundraiser and social event

This coming Monday is a State-wide Pupil Free Day for all schools including Nursery Road. Our term has started well with all students already back to their programs, a testament to this is the number of students easily returning back to the literacy block programs each morning, or otherwise showing focus and keenness to be back at school. The first five weeks of this term are a focussed teaching block and then we move into assessment period for a fortnight. In assessment block teachers are provided with extra time and where we can, extra staff will work with individuals and small groups of students to allow the students to meet their individual goals that they have been working towards this Semester. We have some staffing changes this term and the parents of classes affected will be or have been advised of the changes in their classes. We have welcomed a number of new teacher aides into the school over the past term and into this term and I am pleased to comment that the calibre of their work and involvement with students has been welcomed and noted.

Term 4 will pass quickly so as a staff we continue to make learning count every day and look forward to partnering with you over the term in doing this for our students,

Shauna St George

From the Deputy Principal

Reminder - True Relationship Parent Information Session

True Relationships and Reproductive Health (formally Family Planning QLD will run a relationships and sexuality education program with us this term. This will involve a whole school staff PD session, education group sessions with some of the students and a parent/carer information session to allow us to work together to encourage healthy behaviours and attitudes about sexuality.

The students attending the education program conducted by a member of the True Relationships team in November will include groups from the student cohort aged 12 and over.

All parents are invited to attend the information session on the Pupil Free day 19 October 3:15 – 4:15pm.

Please RSVP by 10am on Monday 19th of October if you would like to attend.
Senior Adventurous Journey

This week I had the pleasure of accompanying Senior 1 on their adventurous journey as part of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Program. The students planned their journey into the City to visit the Coffee Club where Carl works on Saturdays and then across to Southbank and back to school. The aim was to incorporate as many modes of transportation as possible to provide additional adventure elements as well as travel training around Brisbane. We caught two buses and a train into the city. After an enjoyable morning tea, tour of the coffee club and a demonstration from Carl of his expected duties the group walked through town to the ferry terminal. There were plenty of interesting things to see and photograph along the way. We caught the ferry across to Southbank for lunch and a play in the park. We then walked to the transit area and caught the bus back to school. The students documented their trip looking at how to find the right number bus, train and platform. Identifying way out signs, public transport timetables, making small purchases and social skills were all part of the day. The students had a great time, most identifying the ferry as their favourite mode of transport. It was a delight to see the students making good choices and being enthusiastic about learning whilst acquainting themselves with some fun places to visit in Brisbane.

Sue Howell
Acting Deputy Principal

From School Administration

Thank you to all the parents who have paid Music Therapy for Term 4 already! Your timely settling of this fee has been very helpful!

Leeanne Pedemont
Acting Business Services Manager
Café City

The Senior Transition and Senior Students opened their City Café today in the Multipurpose Centre. The students took on the roles of Chef, Maître d’, Wait Staff, Kitchen Hands, Barista and Sales Staff. There was a steady stream of customers enjoying lunch or coffee and dessert. Well done to the students for their hard work and professional approach and to staff for creating a work for work experience and life skill development.

P&C NEWS

Upcoming event: Our annual fundraiser for this year.....it’s a Trivia Night! Get your quiz on with us here at school on Friday 30th October from 7pm.

The theme is Halloween, fancy dress is optional but we do love a good dress up event! There will be prizes for the best dressed.

If you want to buy tickets, book a table (teams can have up to 8 players) then call Karin or the Admin Team on 3308 6333. Come along on the night and join in as well, you can come with a team or you can join a team once you arrive. There will be friendly faces eager to have more people participate, especially if you are really good with general knowledge!

If you are unable to attend this event and you would like to support the P&C fundraiser then please buy the raffle tickets that will be coming home to you shortly. There will be a variety of prizes to win and all the money raised will be going towards an Electronic School Noticeboard. This will benefit our school by improving communications with the local community, delivering important messages to parents, announcing student outcomes and announcing upcoming events.

Another way you can help the P&C is by donating a small gift to us, which we can use on the night for prizes and in our raffles. As we countdown to Christmas, I’m sure there are several items around the house that would be perfect to re-gift to make way for your new Christmas wish list items! Or it could be chocolates and other edible items or a bottle of wine. Please feel free to contact us on pandc@nurseryrdspecs.eq.edu.au if you have some items and you are not sure if they would be suitable. There will be a reminder note/RSPV coming home soon about this event with the option to donate an item as a way of supporting the P&C.

We hope to see many of you (bring your friends too!) on Friday 30th ....whether you are a zombie, a spooky ghost or whatever costume you may decide to wear (optional). Come along and join in the fun!

What is mummy’s favourite type of music????

WRAP!
From the CE Program

Dear Parents/ Carers

Term Four is upon us!!! In the Conductive Education Program, there continue to be many exciting learning experiences for our students.

Our school has recently purchased several interactive touchscreens for use in our school-age program and in the ECDP. These new screens will give our students the opportunity to interact with the curriculum in new and exciting ways. One highlight is the ability to lower the screen down nearly to the ground so that students side-lying or working from the floor can access the board. Another very cool feature is the ability to turn the screens into interactive tables so that students can access the screen horizontally (like a tabletop) in whatever position suits them. These boards allow our diverse students many more opportunities to engage in learning using all of their senses in a motivating way.

Continuing the technology trend, Lynne’s class is beginning a “switch immersion” program. The aim of the program is to offer the students more chances to practice their switching in more contexts during the day. For instance, one group of students will make selections using switches to control the environment around them (fans, lights, multimedia) while another group can select from newspaper articles to listen to. The program has been planned for with the support of our outstanding Occupational Therapist, Hannah and Physiotherapist, Clare. All of the activities will include plenty of opportunities for our students to use their PODD books for communication and to move between stations as per their mobility goals.

Our Middle and Junior Secondary Classes will go on excursion and camps this term. Our Junior Secondary students will be camping at Mapleton, where there are inclusive activities planned both for the daredevil and for those that like their feet firmly planted on the ground! Our Middle School class is currently finalising the planning process for their one-day excursion that will occur in mid-November. Our students will be experiencing these events with the rest of their age-level cohort from across the school which is a fabulous inclusive learning experience for all.

If you haven’t already done so, please consider making a team and participating in the upcoming trivia night (Oct 30th). If trivia isn’t your thing, at least you can get dressed up Halloween style and intimidate the other teams!

As always, please let me know if there are questions, comments and suggestions.

Jeff Watts
EPO News

Wicket Update

Enjoying my special Nyla bone  Relaxes between classes  I'm not sure I liked that bath

Wicket had a very busy holiday learning new commands and having lots of walks and sleeps in the sun. He was unwell for a few days but the vet said he is fine now. Wicket has a roster of the classes that he is visiting as well as surprise visits.

Through incorporating Wicket activities into literacy and communication tasks, students have produced some really great work.

Wicket likes to do bus duty in the mornings, welcoming the students to school. Today Wicket went to Student Council and helped to vote in the new Captains. Watch out for a notice about sponsorship for Wicket in the coming weeks.

Talking with Lachlan  Sitting with Alisha  Getting a pat from Tara

Wendy Windley  Acting EPO
## Calendar Dates for Term 4

Save the dates in your diary for the upcoming events this year.

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* Please note there will be other Events occurring in this term that will be announced when confirmed, for example the Senior Dance.
TRIVIA NIGHT
30 October 2015, 7pm
Nursery Road State Special School

Hmm... Trivia Night

Halloween theme
$10 per head
Get a group together or join a table on the night.

Prizes for best-dressed and games.
Beer + Wine + soft drinks + Pizza available for purchase.

Raising funds for electronic school noticeboard
For bookings call Karen at NRSSS on 3308 6383

SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015 TERM 4

P and C Meeting
3rd November
7.00pm

Student Free Day
Monday
19th October

TRIVIA NIGHT
30TH October
7.00pm

School Holidays
Monday
14th of December
To
22nd of January

Public Holiday
26th of January
2016

October 18th
Pan

November 15th
Blinky Bill Movie

December 6th
Hotel Transylvania 2

“Sensory Movie Day” was created for families with special needs. This movie experience is an inclusive, positive, non-judgmental experience. Children are free to try every seat, flap or stim, lighting stays on dim. Tickets $8 each. No need to RSVP- just come along!
Ph: 3213 7100 for more information.

ART AUCTION
INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PIECES
FINAL REMINDER

Please note that if you want to purchase your child’s individual art work for $10 you need to do so by 23/10/2015.
Upon receipt of money we will send their art work home.
Thank you for your support.

CARINDALE PCYC
BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Special Needs (Disabilities)
7.00 – 9.00pm
$5

16 October 2015

20 November 2015